What is KidsMatter Primary?

KidsMatter Primary is an Australian school-based initiative that aims to improve children’s mental health and wellbeing. An important aspect of implementing KidsMatter is the consultation process with the school community and, in particular, school staff. If you haven’t already, you may like to visit www.kidsmatter.edu.au/primary.

What is the survey about and how long will it take?

The survey asks for your views about your work and perceptions of what the school does in its capacity to support student mental health and wellbeing. It will take you approximately 15 minutes to complete the survey.

Why am I being asked to complete this survey?

KidsMatter encourages schools to reflect on how they are doing things - what they are doing well already, and what they can improve to promote student mental health and wellbeing. This survey is one way to seek the important voice of staff. The voice of parents and students can also be gathered to gain a broad understanding of the school community and assist in school planning.

What choice do I have?

Completing this anonymous survey is entirely your choice and you can choose not to answer some or all of the items. Whether or not you decide to participate, your decision will not disadvantage you or your position. Please feel free to discuss any concerns you may have about completing this survey with a member of the school Action Team.

How is my privacy protected and what happens to the answers?

Your privacy is protected because the answers provided by you are completely anonymous and it will not be possible to identify you from your answers. Data is stored electronically in a password-secured database in accordance with the Australian Privacy Act 1988. Your school cannot access the raw data. Only the summarised results that align to the four KidsMatter components will be used by your school to assist with school planning. Your responses, along with those of everyone else who has participated around Australia, will make up the national average results, available to all participating schools. KidsMatter Primary (delivered by Principals Australia Institute) may also use de-identified data summarised and reported at a national level in ways that inform the national development of the KidsMatter initiative.

What do I need to do to participate?

Please read this information statement and be sure you understand its contents before you consent to participate. If there is anything you do not understand, or if you have questions, please talk to a member of the school Action Team.

If you consent to participate, please complete the survey according to the instructions given by your Action Team.

Thank you for your support.