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Dear Parent/Guardian

**Evaluation of In:tuition life skills programme**

The National Foundation for Educational Research is carrying out an evaluation of life-skills and alcohol education for young people aged 9-14 for Alcohol Research UK. Your child’s school has agreed to take part in this evaluation.

**What will the research involve?**

Year 5 pupils in your child’s school will be asked to take part in a survey in July 2013 and then once again in the summer of 2014 when the pupils reach year 6, to explore change over time. The pupil questionnaire will consist of a series of background questions, followed by questions addressing the main outcomes of interest, including knowledge and awareness of alcohol issues and of consumption in the home (this is anonymous and for analysis purposes only), decision-making, staying safe and communication skills. All surveys will be confidential.

**What do I need to do now?**

If you are happy for your child to participate in this research, you do not need to do anything. Your child’s school will ask them to complete the first survey in July.

If you would prefer your child **not to participate** in this research, please complete and return the opt-out form on the reverse of this letter to your school. Please note that if you do not complete this form, we will assume you are happy for your child to take part in this research.

If you would like more information, please contact XXX at NFER on XXX, or email XXX

Yours sincerely

**Parent opt-out form**

Please only complete this form if you would prefer your child **not to participate** in this research.

Your child’s name …………………………………………………………………..

Class ……………………………………….

I **do not** wish for my child to participate in the evaluation of life-skills and alcohol education

Name (please print) …………………………………………………………………..

Signed …………………………………………………………………..

Date …………………………………………………………………..

Please return this form to your child’s school.