**Transitions questionnaire for pupils returning to primary school**

This questionnaire is designed to discover any concerns that the school pupils may have about moving up a year group in September, following the partial school closures caused by the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Most pupils will be moving up a year group within their primary school; however, current Year 3 pupils may be moving from infant to junior schools and current Year 6 pupils will be moving from primary to secondary schools.

It is important for us to recognise that the partial closures have prevented pupils from accessing much of the transition support schools would usually provide, such as secondary school induction days for Year 6.

This document contains a questionnaire for primary school pupils, as well as two appendices of additional questions for pupils going into Years 4 and 7 in September.

Utilising this document will help us understand the concerns pupils may have about moving up a year group after the partial school closures, and pupils’ feedback will enable schools to put measures in place to mitigate any concerns pupils may have.

At the end of the questionnaire, there is space for pupils to fill out their name, class and the date of completion; however, this is optional because schools may choose to receive this feedback anonymously to ensure pupils can be completely honest in their answers.

The questions in these questionnaires are for guidance only. They should be adapted to suit the school’s needs and the age of the pupils participating.

**Questionnaire for Buttercup primary school pupils**

The questionnaire for pupils begins on the next page of this document.

Pupils should read the questions on the left and write their answers in the boxes on the right. To ensure pupils can communicate their thoughts and feelings properly, and note anything not addressed in the questions, extra space has been allocated after each section for them to add additional comments.

For younger pupils and pupils with SEND who require additional help, this questionnaire should be completed by a parent in conversation with the pupil.

**Back-to-school Questions**

We would like to know how you feel about coming back to school.

We understand that you might have been worried and confused when the school closed. You also might feel worried about returning to school.

We are asking you these questions to find out how you feel, and if there is anything we can do to help you do your best. Your answers will help us make sure everyone feels happy, safe and comfortable when they are back at school.

Please write your answers in the space on the right.

| **Question** | **Answer** |
| --- | --- |
| **The school, schoolwork and homework** | |
| Are you happy to go back to school? |  |
| Is there anything you are worried about? |  |
| Did you do all of your homework? |  |
| Did you struggle with any of your homework? |  |
| Did any members of your family help you with the schoolwork? |  |
| Did you know where to get help if you were struggling? |  |
| Where can you get help if you are struggling in school? |  |
| Do you often find schoolwork too difficult? |  |
| Would you like extra help with your schoolwork? |  |
| **Use this space to write anything else you want to say about the school, schoolwork and homework:** | |
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**Appendix 1: Additional questions for pupils going into Year 4 after leaving an infant school**

| **Question** | **Answer** |
| --- | --- |
| **Going to a new school** | |
| Are you happy to be joining a new school in September? |  |
| Are you excited to make new friends? |  |
| Will you have friends there from this school? |  |
| What do you like the most about this school? |  |
| What do you like the least about this school? |  |
| Is there anything about going to a new school you are worried about? |  |
| **Use this space to write anything else you want to say about going to a new school:** | |
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**Appendix 2: Additional questions for pupils going into Year 7 after leaving primary school**

| **Question** | **Strongly agree** | **Agree** | **Neither agree nor disagree** | **Disagree** | **Strongly disagree** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Going to a new school** | | | | | |
| Are you happy to be joining a new school in September? |  | | | | |
| Are you excited to make new friends? |  | | | | |
| Will you have friends there from this school? |  | | | | |
| What do you like the most about this school? |  | | | | |
| What do you like the least about this school? |  | | | | |
| Is there anything about going to a new school you are worried about? |  | | | | |
| Is there anything about starting Year 7 you are worried about? |  | | | | |
| **Additional comments about going to a new school:** | | | | | |
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Thank you for answering the questions.

**(Please delete ‘Name:’ and ‘Class:’ if you would prefer this questionnaire to be anonymous.)**

**Name:**

**Class:**

**Date:**