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## Student Wellbeing Survey

You have been invited to take part in a survey. The survey will be completed online during school hours between 31/7/2023 and 18/8/2023. The survey contains 45 questions and will take about 10-15 minutes to complete. All responses will be anonymous, confidential and will not affect your grades.

### **What is the survey about?**

This annual survey is being issued to all students in the Diocese of Cairns by the Engagement Wellbeing and Learning directorate of Catholic Education Services. The survey aims to gather student opinions about aspects of the school that relate to supporting student wellbeing and mental health.

### **What personal information will be collected?**

Your school email account will be used so that you can access the survey and information regarding your school, age, gender and ethnic background will be collected. Your email address will not be linked to your responses so all responses will be completely confidential.

### **What is the purpose of the survey?**

The survey will provide schools with student opinions on what the school is doing well and what they can improve to better promote and support student wellbeing and mental health. Long term this survey may be used to track student wellbeing and mental health over a period of time.

### **What choice do you have?**

Completing this anonymous survey is entirely your choice and you can choose not to answer some or all the items. Your decision to participate or not will not disadvantage you or your grades. However, we hope that you will participate to help to improve your school community. Please feel free to discuss any concerns you may have about completing this survey with one of your teachers.

### **Who is my personal information disclosed to?**

This survey is completely anonymous. De-identified individual student, grade and school group data will be available to all teaching and leadership staff in your school via the School Information System – Business Intelligence tool. De-identified survey data will also be used by the senior leaders in the Engagement Wellbeing and Learning team and Catholic Education Services Cairns to compare grade and school group responses across all the schools in the Diocese of Cairns.

### **What do I need to do to participate?**

Please read this information statement with your parent or carer and be sure you understand what it is about. If there is anything you do not understand or if you have questions, please talk to one of your teachers. If you feel upset about anything while doing the survey, please talk to one of your teachers or the school counsellor. You are also free to drop out of the survey at any time if you change your mind about completing it.

### **Privacy compliance**

As per Catholic Education Services Cairns Privacy Policy, your personal information will be managed in accordance with the Australian Privacy Principles contained in the Commonwealth *Privacy Act 1988* and the *Privacy Amendment (Enhancing Privacy Protection) Act 2012*.

Thank you for your support.

