



Friday, 15th May 2026

Dear parent/carers,

SUBJECT: Growing Up In North Yorkshire Pupil Survey 2026

Risedale School, along with the majority of North Yorkshire schools, has agreed to participate in the **2026 Growing Up in North Yorkshire Survey** for young people. The survey has been running in North Yorkshire since 2006, and information gained from individual school and county level analysis of this survey provides knowledge and understanding about the wellbeing, safety and learning of children and young people and influences school, county and locality planning and evaluation of provision. In 2024, over 15,000 children and young people in North Yorkshire completed the survey.

The survey data helps us to inform the review of our provision in school and school improvement priorities, and supports us in safeguarding children. We use the information in a variety of ways, for example, to

- Gain feedback from pupils about the ethos and culture of our school
- Learn pupils' opinions about learning, their enjoyment of lessons and the usefulness of key aspects of the curriculum related to wellbeing
- Help us to develop our curriculum to improve pupils' health and wellbeing
- Have a better understanding of the safeguarding needs of our pupils
- Inform discussions with parents about aspects such as online safety.

The survey that we are using has been commissioned by the North Yorkshire Children and Young People's Service, Public Health and North Yorkshire Police and is from the Schools Health Education Unit, Exeter.

The questions cover a wide range of your child's perceptions and behaviours related to learning and wellbeing, for example

- Enjoyment of lessons
- Attitudes and resilience for learning
- Relationships
- Growing up
- Emotional health and wellbeing including bullying
- Safety, including online safety
- Tobacco and vaping
- Alcohol
- Healthy Eating
- Physical activity
- Drugs
- Sexual health





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A family of learners

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Following the 2024 survey, information leaflets for parents and carers have been developed. These highlight key data from the survey and provide supporting information for families. [They can be accessed here for families with secondary-aged young people.](#)

If you would like to read the survey questions, you are welcome to do so by booking an appointment by emailing PSHE@risedale.org.uk.

The North Yorkshire Children and Young People's Service has worked closely with the Schools Health Education Unit to ensure that the content of the questionnaires is appropriate, with bespoke questionnaires for primary, secondary and special schools.

Each questionnaire is anonymous and confidential, and no pupil will be identified when the data is returned to our school. Individual schools are not identified in any of the county reports.

As in 2024, we would like to collect the home postcode of as many young people as we can. We are doing this to create maps and perform other analyses based on geography; the postcodes will be held separately and securely, and your child will not be identified.

I hope you will feel, as we do, that this is a very worthwhile survey which will support the wellbeing of all of our pupils, but do please let me know if you do not wish your child to take part. The survey will be carried out in the summer term of 2026.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs L Greenwood
Headteacher

