How does your teacher assess you?

**Information sheet for CHILDREN aged 6 to 10**

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My name is Shailen Popat and I study at the University of Oxford

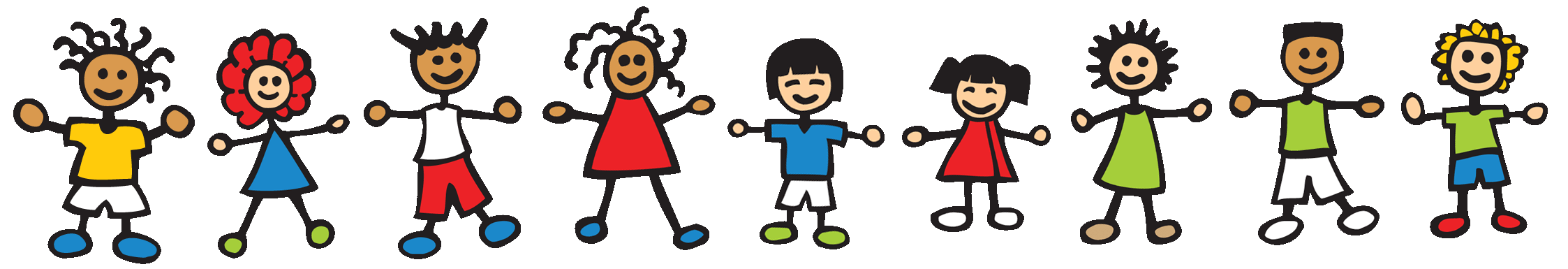
and wanted your help to understand how your teacher assesses you.

**Why have I been asked?**

I am asking 4 pupils in Year 4 in 4 different schools to explain to me how their teacher assesses them.

**Do I have to join in?**

No you don’t have to if you don’t want to! You can ask questions before choosing whether you want to join in. You can change your mind at any time by telling the researcher or your parent/carer. You don’t have to say why. If you decide to stop, no one will be upset with you.



**What will happen?**

I will meet with you and 3 of your classmates in your classroom and ask you to explain to me how you are assessed and what that means. You might want to show me a piece of work and what your teacher told you was good and what your steps were.

**Will anything about the research upset me?**

I don’t think so. I would like you to explain to me what you learn from your teacher’s assessment.

**Will joining in help me?**

I’m not sure if it will help you but I hope that you will enjoy it. You might improve your confidence by talking in a group with a researcher.

**Will anyone else know I'm doing this?**

Your parents/Guardians, teacher, headteacher and the people in our research team will know you are taking part. No one will know that you have helped us with this research - unless, of course, you tell them yourself!

**What happens to what the researchers find out?**

When we collect information from you we will keep it in a safe place and only the people doing the research, or helping with the research, can look at it. We will use the information to talk to teachers about how children understand assessments.

**Is this study OK to do?**

Before any research involving people happens it has to be checked by a group of people known as a Research Ethics Committee to make sure that it is fair. This study has been checked by the Ethics Committee at the University of Oxford.

**What if there is a problem or something goes wrong?**

If you are not happy because of something that happened in the study, please talk to your parent/carer or teacher who will let the researcher know.

***Thank you for reading – please feel free to ask me any questions.***