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**Children & Adults’ Friendships: A Research Project**

**Information Sheet**

Thank you for your interest in this study of how children and adults living in diverse communities get to know other people and make friends. Understanding more about how friendships work is important, as friendships are central to the well-being of children and adults. They also tell us more about local communities; social mixing and home-school relations.

As part of the study you will be interviewed and asked to fill out a short form about your personal details. The interview will last approximately 40-50 minutes to complete and the form will take about 5 minutes to complete.

If you are happy to give consent to take part in this project your results will be completely confidential. This means that:

1. Your personal data will be held in a locked filing cabinet at the Institute of Education and kept digitally in password protected files.
2. Any personal details of your family will only be known to the researchers working on the study and will be kept in a secure manner.
3. When the results of the research are written up, you will not be identified as having taken part in the study. Neither will information which might make you identifiable be reported.
4. We will protect the confidentiality of the information you provide within the limitations of the law

The project has been reviewed by the Ethics Committee of the Institute of Education and has received ethical approval.

We will provide parents/guardian with details of findings at the end of the project in the form of a short report.If you have any further queries, please don’t hesitate to contact us. Please find our details below.

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**Parent Consent Form**

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|  | **Please circle** |
| 1. Have you read the information sheet? | **YES / NO** |
| 1. Have you had an opportunity to ask questions and discuss the study? | **YES / NO** |
| 1. Have you received satisfactory answers to your questions? | **YES / NO** |
| 1. Do you understand you are free to withdraw from this study?  * at any time * without giving a reason for withdrawing | **YES / NO** |
| 1. Do you agree to take part in this study? | **YES / NO** |
| 1. Do you agree to allow the interview to be tape recorded? | **YES / NO** |

Signed\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_PARENT/GUARDIAN

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