Dear XXX,

Flooding can have a huge impact on children and communities. Floods are expected to become more frequent and severe and millions of properties are understood to be at risk in the UK.  As part of our research with children and young people in two locations affected by the major flooding in 2013/4, Lancaster University and Save the Children warmly invite you to hear what the children wish to say. We will be sharing the children’s experiences of the flooding and highlighting how their ideas can contribute to informing local and national disaster management. These unique events will be of interest to colleagues in emergency planning, children’s services, education, healthcare, public health and voluntary/third sector and organisations concerned about flooding.

Yours sincerely,

Professor Maggie Mort, Dept. of Sociology, Lancaster University and Virginia Howells, UK Emergencies Manager, Save the Children UK

**‘Children, Young People and Flooding: Recovery and Resilience’**

**Thursday 25 June 18:00-20:00**

**XX Secondary School**

OR

**Wednesday 1 July** **17:30-19:00**

**XX Primary School**

Pupils from these schools have been working with Lancaster University and Save the Children on an Economic and Social Research Council funded project to:

* understand young people's experiences of the flooding, the impact on their lives, their resilience and the longer-term recovery process;
* discover how children can best be supported in a flood and how to enhance their resilience to future emergencies;
* influence emergency policy and practice to better meet the needs and build the resilience of children and young people.

We do hope that you will be able to join us.

As these events are by invitation only

**RSVP by 25th May** to [floodrecovery@lancaster.ac.uk](mailto:floodrecovery@lancaster.ac.uk)

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