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Dear Parents and Carers

As outlined in Mr Muller-Forster's end of May Half term letter we have been reaching out, building partnerships and putting ourselves forward to be part of national research projects. We are pleased to advise you that Brannel School will be taking part in Learning Together Mental Health (LTMH), a whole-school programme that aims to improve feelings of school belonging, engagement and safety for students, as well as reduce bullying, improve mental health and help students to do better in school. The programme is funded by the Education Endowment Foundation (EEF). The LTMH programme is being delivered by an organisation called Place2Be in a large number of schools across England.

As part of the programme, researchers from Anna Freud, Ipsos, University College London (UCL), and the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine are conducting an independent evaluation to understand its impact. Participating schools will be randomly assigned either to take part in the programme or to continue with their usual practice during the evaluation period.

We are incredibly proud to be able to work with these organisations to support our work in improving the mental health support we can offer for both young people and staff here at Brannel School.

Please find attached an Information Sheet for Parents and Carers and a form to be completed should you wish to withdraw your child from this programme. Please note: a form to withdraw should be emailed directly to LTMH via the email included on the form by **Monday 8th June at 4pm.**

Please be aware, as part of the programme, we have been asked to submit, alongside student data, parent email addresses for all students taking part in the initiative. Your email address will not be submitted to LTMH should you choose to withdraw your child from the programme.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries, amacdonald@brannel.celtrust.org

Yours sincerely

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