

12th December 2024

Subject: Understanding attendance at Oasis Academy Mediacityuk

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are writing to inform you of an exciting research project we are working on with our partner, ImpactEd Evaluation. ImpactEd Evaluation is a social enterprise organisation which evaluates what is working well in schools across the country and what impact this is having on the outcomes of our young people.

Improving attendance is a shared goal not only at Oasis Academy MediacityUK but across UK schools. We are using the ImpactEd platform to complete surveys to help us understand some of the barriers to achieving higher attendance rates. This will help us put in place targeted interventions and support for our pupils.

Over the next few weeks, all pupils will complete a short self-report survey to gather their feedback on the following areas related to attendance rates:

- Sense of belonging – How connected pupils feel to the school community.
- Sense of safety – How safe pupils feel at school.
- Wellbeing – Overall wellbeing and happiness levels.
- Grit – Pupils' ability to 'bounce back' or keep going when things are difficult.

Pupils will complete their surveys during the school day. While we hope pupils will value the opportunity to give their honest opinions on these topics, pupils will also be made aware that they can opt out of the survey if they wish.

As part of this research, we also want to gather your views as parents and carers. You are invited to complete our survey related to your views on attendance and how we can further support you. We really appreciate your honest feedback and time in completing this survey.

The link to the survey is below:

<https://impacted.typeform.com/oasis>

Thank you in advance for your support and we look forward to sharing the findings with you later this academic year.

Kind regards,

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