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Dear Parents and Guardians,

The Big Ambition Survey for the Children's Commissioner for England

At St Michael's, we are committed to providing the best possible educational experience for our students and we are always looking for opportunities to engage them in meaningful activities that contribute to their personal growth.

We are excited to inform you about an initiative that aligns with our commitment to understanding and supporting our students' perspectives. The Children's Commissioner for England is currently conducting The Big Ambition survey, a nationwide effort to capture the thoughts, opinions and ideas of children across the country, to make sure that the Government hears young people's voices on what they think needs to be done to make children's lives better in England.

The survey covers a range of topics, including education, health and community. By participating, your child will have the chance to share their thoughts and contribute to a collective understanding of what matters most to young people today.

For more information please watch the video using the link provided.

Video Link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WKxrjYeSg_w&t=3s

Key details about The Big Ambition survey:

Survey Period: The Big Ambition survey will be open until Friday 15th December.

Survey Link: https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/the_big_ambition/

The information collected will be used to advocate for positive change in areas that directly impact children's lives. It's an excellent opportunity for your child to make their voice heard on issues that matter to them.

Participation in this survey is entirely voluntary, but we believe it provides a valuable platform for our students to voice their thoughts on important matters. The survey is designed to be age-appropriate and takes into account the diverse perspectives of children.

Rest assured that all responses will be kept confidential, and the data collected will only be used for research purposes. If you have any concerns about the survey or would like more information, please find further detailed information about The Big Ambition survey on the Children's Commissioner's website: <https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/the-big-ambition/>

We believe that giving our students the opportunity to express themselves on a broader scale is an essential part of their development. Thank you for your support in fostering an environment where our students' voices are heard.

Yours faithfully,

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