



26th February 2019

Dear Parent / Carer

Re: Information Letter and Withdrawal Form for DoNow+ Evaluation

Carshalton High School for Girls is leading an evaluation project funded by an innovation evaluation grant from the Institute for Effective Education. The Institute for Effective Education is a charity that aims to improve learning for all children by working closely with schools to support the development and use of effective and efficient approaches.

Our project will evaluate an innovation that we have designed and called DoNow+. The innovation involves a slight change to the way our teachers in Year 8 English and History currently begin every lesson (the Do Now task). The evaluation will judge whether or not DoNow+ boosts students' subject knowledge and thus improves their analytical skill.

What would this mean for my child?

All pupils in Year 8 will participate in History and English lessons as usual, and will cover the usual curriculum. Assessments will be carried out as usual, and these assessments will be used as measures for the evaluation.

Confidentiality

We would like to assure you that information from the study will be kept strictly confidential. Students' results will be stored by code number, and any identifiable information will be stored separately from their results. The data will only be used to evaluate the impact of DoNow+. Anonymised data will be accessed by school staff involved in the evaluation project and may be shared with the Institute for Effective Education to support data analysis. The results of the evaluation will be shared for research purposes, but children will not be identified individually.

If you do not wish your child's data to be included in the evaluation please contact me on pdurrett@suttonmail.org.

If you have any questions about the evaluation, please feel free to contact me.

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