

Music Education Research Participant Information Sheet For Young People and Parents/Carers Listen Imagine Compose Primary 2: July 2025



Hello, **my name is Victoria**. I am a Professor of Education at Birmingham City University.

You are taking part in a music project at school which involves creating music with a composer. This is called Listen Imagine Compose Primary 2.

I am researching how you, the composer and your teachers work together in this project and how they teach composing.

I would like to invite you to take part in a survey so I can hear what you think about the music activities you are taking part in with the composer and your teachers. The survey will be a short survey conducted in school with your teacher.

We would like to check if you are happy to complete the survey.

This is completely up to you and you do not have to complete it.

Whatever you decide, you will still be able to take part in the music project.

This information sheet is to **help you decide** if you would like to take part in the survey.

It explains what will happen if you take part.



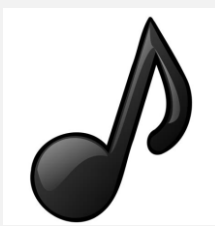
You can read this sheet with a family member, carer or teacher.



You can **ask me questions** about the research at any time while we are at your school or by email. My email is:

victoria.kinsella@bcu.ac.uk

Please ask if you do not understand anything.

	Why are we doing this research? We would like to know more about your experiences of the activities provided on the Listen Imagine Compose Primary 2 Project and whether the activities have helped you develop musically. Your involvement will help others understand young people's perspectives and how music projects can be improved.
	Do I have to take part in the survey? It is your choice if you would like to take part in the survey. You do not have to take part. You can stop taking part at anytime during the survey. It's always okay to change your mind. However, once you have completed the survey I'm afraid it will be too late to change your mind. As the survey is anonymous – we do not know individually what you have submitted – it is impossible for us to remove your responses.
	What happens to me if I take part? You will be asked to take part in a survey – it will ask you questions about your musical experiences. This will take place in school, with your school teacher, online or in paper format. It will take no longer than 15 minutes.
	We would like to learn about:

	Your experiences of the music activities you are doing as part of the Listen Imagine Compose 2 project in your school.
	Will my details be kept private and safe? All surveys are anonymous. This means your name and details will not be taken. The survey data will be stored on a secure computer at Birmingham City University. You or your parents/carers can contact informationmanagement@bcu.ac.uk for any data protection queries or concerns, and to understand your rights.
	What will happen with the information you tell us? We will look for things that are similar and different in what people talk about. These are called research findings. Findings will be used to help us and other people to understand your experiences. Findings may be used to improve music education and other young people's experiences. Findings will be published in reports, but you will not be identified as the survey does not collect any data that is personal.
	Good things about taking part You will be helping other people to understand young peoples' perceptions of music activities. The information you give can help to improve music education.



Contact for further information

You can contact me by email for more information:

Victoria.kinsella@bcu.ac.uk

My colleagues at the University will help to make sure the research is carried out **safely** and **well**.

If you have a complaint about any aspect of the research, please contact: HELS_Ethics@bcu.ac.uk

Data protection and your rights



We will look after this opt out form and the information you tell us until the date of the youngest participant's 18th birthday + 6 years. After this point, we will destroy the information we have about you, and nobody will be able to see it anymore.

Thank you for taking the time to read this sheet.

If you do not wish to participate in this survey, please sign this form.

This **form** will be used to let me know if you do not want your child to take part in the survey about the music activities they have been involved in. If you do not agree, put your initials in the boxes on the right.

Initial in
each
box:



1. 	I have read the information sheet about the research and survey. I have had time to think about the information and ask questions about it.	
2. 	I do not agree for my child to take part in the survey.	

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Name of Parent

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Date

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Signature