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Dear Parent /Guardian

**Evaluation of Ruth Miskin Training: *Read Write Inc. Phonics***

We are writing to you to let you know that your child's school is participating in an evaluation of Ruth Miskin Training: *Read Write Inc. Phonics*. This programme aims to increase teachers' knowledge of the teaching of phonics and early reading and raise standards of literacy for Key Stage 1.

The aim of the evaluation is to find out whether the programme makes a difference to children's reading attainment. To enable us to do this, we need to access data for all the children participating in the programme; this means we will be requesting data about your child from the school including their pupil name, data of birth, class name, Unique Pupil Number and the results of their summer 2022 Phonics Screening Check. NFER, with the permission of the Department for Education, will also access background data held on the National Pupil Database (NPD) about your child which will include ethnicity, gender, free school meal status, date they started attending their current school and Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) status.

If you are happy for your child's data to be used for this research, **you do not need to return the reply slip**. However, please inform your child's teacher if you would like to withdraw your child's data from this project at any subsequent stage.

If you would prefer your child's data not to be shared, stored and used for this project, please complete the enclosed form and return it to your child's school.

We very much appreciate your and your child's participation. Enclosed with this letter you will find a 'School Information Sheet' with more information about the research and our commitment to the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR), including where you can access the privacy notice.

If you have any queries please contact my colleague Alison Hale via email at [ruthmiskin@nfer.ac.uk](mailto:ruthmiskin@nfer.ac.uk).

Yours sincerely

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**Evaluation of Ruth Miskin Training: *Read Write Inc. Phonics* : Withdrawal from data processing**

**You only need to complete this form if you DO NOT wish your child's data to be shared, stored and used for this research.**

I **DO NOT** give permission for data about my child that is collected as part of the Ruth Miskin: Read Write Inc. Phonics project to be shared, stored or used for research purposes.

Your child's name.....Child's class:.....

Name of school.....

Your full name.....

Your telephone number (optional).....

Your signature..... Date.....