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People with time for Children

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Dear Parents

We are running a research project across a number of schools in the Forest of Dean to improve children's speech and use of language. We would like to take part. The project will involve extra story-telling and reading practice on a daily basis with a small group of children and an adult. Your child would be filmed telling a story at the start of the project and then again at the end. The clip would be analysed by school staff and the trainer, to monitor progress. The clip may be shared at a moderation meeting with other professionals to demonstrate the success of the project but your child would not be named to other adults and they would not have a copy of the clip. As this is a research project the children will be split into two groups and one will receive the input first and then if it is successful and shows that this approach enables children to make progress, then the second group will receive the input at a later date.

The adults involved in undertaking the project in our school would be Miss Haynes and Mrs Bonser. Governors or adults with a connection to the school, who will all have a valid DBS check, may also support us and will receive training from the well-known and highly regarded author and educationalist Pie Corbett, who is supporting the project. We are extremely fortunate to have his backing as he has been involved with a number of very successful educational projects including 'Talk for Writing' and is hoping that the project will be so beneficial that he will be able to write an article about it for Educational Journals to inform other schools across the country.

If you have any questions about the project please do come and see me. In the meantime if you would like your child to benefit from this research please fill in the slip below and return it to school by the end of the week.

With kind regards,

Hayley McGoldrick

Your child will be in Group 1/2

I would like my child to take part in the speech and language project and give permission for him/her to be recorded for educational purposes as set out in the letter above and for his/her data to be shared anonymously when writing up the success of the project.

Signed.....

Head teacher: Mrs Hayley McGoldrick