
Evaluation of “Incredible Years: Teacher Classroom Management”

Privacy notice for teachers and schools

1 Why are we collecting this data?

The National Foundation for Educational Research (NFER) is collecting personal data to enable the evaluation of the ‘Incredible Years: Teacher Classroom Management’ (IY-TCM) programme, using a randomised controlled trial. The main aim of the IY-TCM teacher training programme is to strengthen teachers’ confidence in classroom management and to improve the classroom climate which ultimately intends to enhance children’s mental health and promote their prosocial behaviour. The trial aims to ascertain the impact of the intervention on pupil wellbeing and behaviour.

NFER and the University of Exeter will be the joint data controllers for the trial. When the trial is completed and the data is submitted to the archive, the Education Endowment Foundation (EEF) will become the data controller.

Due to the continued disruption in schools from Covid-19 we have had to make changes to this trial and the data that will be collected as part of the evaluation. Key Stage 1 mathematics results will no longer be collected as part of the trial.

2 What is the legal basis for processing activities?

Due to the nature of the intervention NFER requires to collect and process teachers’ personal data.

The legal basis for processing personal data is covered by GDPR Article 6 (1) (f):

Legitimate interests: the processing is necessary for your (or a third party’s) legitimate interests unless there is a good reason to protect the individual’s personal data which overrides those legitimate interests.

Our legitimate interest for processing teachers’ personal data is to administer the randomised controlled trial.

3 How will personal data be obtained?

For recruitment purposes, The University of Exeter will collect school names, contact details and nominated teacher details, which will be transferred to NFER via a secure portal to carry out the randomisation and proceed with the trial and evaluation.

During the trial, the University of Exeter will take registers of teacher attendance at training, which will be provided to NFER also via the secure portal. NFER will perform training session observations, classroom observations and phone interviews with selected teachers. At two points of the trial, teachers will also complete program-implementation surveys.

4 What personal data is being collected by this project?

NFER will collect personal data about nominated teachers directly from the recruited schools. This includes teacher name, job title and contact details for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 classroom teachers. In addition, all Year 1 teachers will complete program-implementation surveys at the beginning of the trial and Year 2 teachers will complete the survey at the end of the trial. The University of Exeter will also take attendance registers at teacher training events and provide this information to NFER.

NFER will also conduct a number of case studies which comprise classroom observations (using the CLASS tool) and phone interviews with teachers. These will be matched with personal data by NFER (though teachers remain anonymous within all reporting).

5 Who will personal data be shared with?

Following recruitment, the University of Exeter will share teachers personal details with NFER via secure portal.

6 Is personal data being transferred outside of the European Economic Areas (EEA)?

No personal data is stored or transferred outside of the EEA.

7 How long will personal data be retained?

NFER and the University of Exeter will delete any personal and special data after one year from the publication of the final report.

Data is not kept longer than is necessary and is deleted in accordance with NFER's internal policy.

8 Can I stop my personal data being used?

NFER handles personal data in accordance with the rights given to individuals under data protection legislation. If at any time you wish us to withdraw your data or correct errors in it, please contact incredibleyears@nfer.ac.uk

In certain circumstances, data subjects have the right to restrict or object to processing. They also have the right to make a subject access request to see all the information held about them. NFER will cooperate fully when a subject access request (SAR) is made of a data controller. To exercise these rights, please contact our [Compliance Officer](#).

9 Who can I contact about this project?

If you have any queries please contact incredibleyears@nfer.ac.uk

If you have a concern about the way this project processes personal data, we request that you raise your concern with us or the University of Exeter in the first instance. Alternatively, you can contact the Information Commissioner's Office, the body responsible for enforcing data protection legislation in the UK, at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>.

10 Last updated

We may need to update this privacy notice periodically so we recommend that you revisit this information from time to time.

This privacy notice was last updated on 6th May 2021.