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Dear Parent/Carer,

This academic year Portswood Primary Academy is working closely with Southampton Educational Psychology Service and two Trainee Educational Psychologists from the University of Southampton. As part of their ongoing work, the trainees are looking into friendships and social relationships within class 3B. This will involve completing a brief activity with the whole class in which they will ask the children a number of questions about their school friendships. The children will be asked to write down their individual answers on a piece of paper. This activity will not involve any direct work with your child.

The information we collect during this activity will be anonymised by myself and the trainees. Any findings that are then shared with members of staff within the school will not have any information that could be used to identify your child, for example, their name or initials.

Although the activity will be carried out by the trainees, I am responsible for it and will be supervising its delivery. I would like to emphasise that the trainees have passed the usual child protection procedures and already have a wide range of experience, as well as a psychology qualification.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact myself on the details above, or ask to speak with Mr Ian Howie (Vice Principal) or Mrs Anna Adams (SENCo) within Portswood Primary Academy on 023 8055 5885.

Yours sincerely,

**Dr. Ed Sayer**  
**Educational Psychologist**