

## **Information to parents/guardians and children about the Ungdata junior survey in District Alna in Oslo 2018**

In 2018, the Ungdata junior survey will be carried out in District Alna in Oslo municipality among pupils in years 5 to 7.

The survey maps the most important areas of children's lives. The objective is to gain more knowledge about what being a child in the municipality is like – and about what children's lives are like and what they do in their spare time. The results of the survey will be used in the municipality's work with this age group, and for research purposes.

The survey will take place during school hours by the children answering an electronic questionnaire. **The survey will be carried out during weeks 23 and 24.**

The survey is **anonymous**, so it is not possible to identify individual pupils through the data that are collected. No individuals will be recognisable when the results of the survey are made public. The pupils are not asked their names or other personally identifiable information.

**Participation in the survey is voluntary** and children can decide not to take part. Parents/guardians who do not want their child to take part must notify the contact teacher. Those who take the survey can skip individual questions if they so wish, or withdraw from the survey by not answering further questions in the questionnaire.

The questionnaire contains questions about what children do in their spare time, how they enjoy school and what their lives are like. The survey will provide answers to how happy children are with their local community, friends, parents and life in general. The main topics of the survey are friends, school, spare time, media use, health, life quality, bullying, home and family. Parents/guardians who wish to have the whole questionnaire sent to them can contact Kompetansesenter rus - Osloegion (KoRus – Oslo).

The pupils take part in the survey by logging in to <http://www.svar-ungdata.com> using a random one-time code that is distributed to those taking the survey. There are no links between the one-time code and the pupil taking the survey. The one-time code is used to ensure that only those who are meant to be taking the survey actually do so.

It is important that as many pupils as possible take part in the survey to ensure that it provides a good picture of the situation in District Alna in Oslo. This is an opportunity for children in District Alna in Oslo municipality to tell politicians, the authorities and researchers about what their lives are like.

The data material will be entered in a national database together with corresponding child surveys carried out in other municipalities.

The survey is organised by the research institute NOVA at OsloMet – Oslo Metropolitan University (formerly Oslo and Akershus University College of Applied Sciences) and KoRus – Oslo on assignment for District Alna in Oslo municipality.

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