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Dear Parents & Carers

We would like to talk with you about race and belonging. This is not always easy but the murder of George Floyd in America has shocked people around the world and it has made us look again at how good we are at challenging unfairness and inequality at school. Our teachers would like to make lasting changes for the better, and we need your help to think about what works best for your children.

The Hackney Schools Group Board is working with us to find out more about what you think, and the results of what you tell us will be used by this school, and by Hackney schools more widely. It will help all schools to plan children's learning and how they make sure children feel they belong.

There are two ways to participate:

- Attend a virtual meeting via Google Meet with other parents of Sir Thomas Abney School on Wednesday 15 July, 10am to 11 am. The joining details are below;

<https://meet.google.com/fvt-cdgz-pmy> (please copy and paste this link on to Google Chrome) or dial (free): +44 20 3956 0315 PIN: 121 491 416#

or

- You can complete a short survey [here](#).

There are two questions we will be asking and they are:

1. What makes your child feel they belong in school?
2. Is there something the school could improve on or do differently?

The online meeting and survey are free to join and can be accessed from any computer or phone. The Chair of the meeting will be Eleanor Schooling Chair of the Hackney Schools Group Board alongside Maxine Apcher and Lynn Willis from your school. Please join the meeting five minutes before it is due to start.

The meeting is only for parents and carers of pupils at Sir Thomas Abney. However, we will share information from the meeting anonymously where it might be helpful for all Hackney Schools.

We really hope you are able to take part and you can give us your heartfelt response.

Yours sincerely

Geraldine Fitzmaurice
Headteacher

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Chair Hackney Schools Group Board

