Informed Consent (Case Study Form Submission)

**Purpose of the project:** In looking at ways that children can meaningfully enact leadership and self-determination and further their own safety and wellbeing, child-centred activities like Children’s Clubs may play an important role. This research aims to draw on case studies to understand how participation in Children’s Clubs can support safeguarding in schools.

**Benefits of being a part of this project:** What we learn in this project from you and your peers will be used to support future similar programs for children and youth and to make recommendations for toolkits and resources for people who work with children and youth. We hope that outlining the case study will be interesting and engaging. In any experience there may be pieces you do not enjoy. If there are you do not have to join in.

**How your information will be used:** This work will be prepared into a final narrative report, a child friendly report and an academic paper, to widely share learnings from children and communities on the role of children’s clubs in safeguarding children in school.

**All foreseeable risks and discomforts:** The case study asks questions about Children’s Clubs. There are no foreseeable risks or discomforts to being involved.

**Confidentiality/Anonymity:** Your anonymity and confidentiality will be maintained, and your name, the name of your club, your school, your specific location or any other traceable information will not be referred to in this research project without your express and separate consent.

By submitting your case study form to us, you are granting consent for us to use this within the wider data set. You have the right to withdraw at any time without any consequences. If you withdraw your data will not be used in the research study. If you choose to withdraw make sure to tell us as soon as you can as if the research has already been analyzed and published we will not be able to remove your data from the general set.

The one exception to anonymity is Part 3: Question 1, which may be used for communication purposes, but not associated with the other data and not using any personally identifiable information.

**Length of time involved:** You are asked complete the case study form which may take between one hour to 1.5 hours. You may be asked to participate in the next stage of the study at a future date.

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You can also verify this research and that it has ethical approval from Gina Armellino, Research Ethics Coordinator, Royal Roads University ([Gina.Armellino@RoyalRoads.ca](mailto:Gina.Armellino@RoyalRoads.ca)).