



**Dear Parent/Guardian,**

Your child's school is participating in the Roots and Shoots Resource Box for Schools Program ([www.rootsandshoots.org.au/resourcebox/](http://www.rootsandshoots.org.au/resourcebox/)). This program provides free resources to the school to facilitate learning activities outside in nature. As part of the evaluation of the program your child may be asked to complete a short online survey asking questions about their wellbeing and attitudes towards school and nature. This survey is completely anonymous (i.e. you child cannot be identified in any way), and the information is being used to help us evaluate the effectiveness of the program.

Information may also be used for research, such as publishing the results as a scientific paper, as this will help further our understanding of the potential role of nature based learning in child wellbeing, school engagement and attitudes towards nature. The survey is being administered and analysed by a team of researchers from the University of Adelaide and Resilient Youth Australia ([www.resilientyouth.org/](http://www.resilientyouth.org/)), who are working collaboratively with the Roots and Shoots Resource Box team.

Despite the survey being completely anonymous, if you prefer that your child does not complete the survey, please contact your child's school to request this.

If you would like further information about the survey, please contact the Principal Investigator, Dr Mark Kohler at [resourcebox@adelaide.edu.au](mailto:resourcebox@adelaide.edu.au).

For more general information about the Roots and Shoots Resource Box for Schools Program please contact the Resource Box team at [info@janegoodall.org.au](mailto:info@janegoodall.org.au).

The survey has been reviewed and approved by the Human Research Ethics Committee at the University of Adelaide (approval number 20/67). This research project will be conducted according to the NHMRC National Statement on Ethical Conduct in Human Research 2007 (Updated 2018). If you have questions or problems associated with the practical aspects of your participation in the project, or wish to raise a concern or complaint about the project, then you should consult the Principal Investigator. If you wish to speak with an independent person regarding concerns or a complaint, the University's policy on research involving human participants, or your rights as a participant, please contact the Psychology Human Research Ethics Subcommittee on:

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Any complaint or concern will be treated in confidence and fully investigated. You will be informed of the outcome.