

Dear Parents/Carers,

My name is Sophie Green, and I am a third year Zoology student at the University of Derby. I am currently preparing for my final Independent Study project. I am undertaking an education-based study to try and assess how children take in information about the natural world from the children's books they are reading. I am looking for participants and would appreciate if your child could be a part of the study.

The outline of my study involves two groups of students being read stories. In a class-based setting, the children's usual class teacher will read a selection of published story books, where the natural world is represented with different levels of biological accuracy. I will then come into school a couple of weeks later and give the children a quiz with questions based on biological information they have been read. Additionally, I will spend time teaching the whole class a lesson about zoology to ensure no one is left misinformed.

The quiz score collected from your child would be anonymous. I will not be collecting names or any other personal data as part of my study.

Thank you for taking the time to read my letter and I hope you take the time to consider your child to be a part of my project.

If you wish to withdraw your child's quiz score from my research, please let their class teacher know.

Kind regards

Sophie Green