

Teaching Writing for All in Primary Education

Information and Consent Form

Mastering writing is a key competence for children's success at school and beyond. Since writing instruction typically begins with formal schooling, it's important to understand how we can best support primary teachers to teach writing and how writing is currently taught in Australia.

We're a team of researchers from Murdoch University, Edith Cowan University and University of Canberra, and we're interested in gaining an understanding about the teaching of writing in primary education. We hope that you can help us by completing a web-based online survey on teaching writing in primary education. The survey is completely anonymous, and it will take approximately 15 minutes to complete. Although the findings of the survey may be published, we will not publish any information that is identifiable.

The survey is intended for all teachers currently employed in at least a part-time position (no less than 0.5) in Australian primary schools. Participants must teach in mainstream classrooms (not classrooms in Intensive English Centres or classrooms wholly comprised of students receiving Special Education). Please encourage your primary teacher friends and colleagues to complete the survey by sharing this information letter with them.

If you agree to take part, choose 'yes' from the options below. This will take you to our survey. Should you change your mind at any time and decide to withdraw, simply close your browser and you will automatically exit the survey. Once you click the 'submit' button at the end of the survey your responses will be uploaded and it will not be possible to withdraw or amend them as they are anonymous.

If you want more information before you decide whether or not to participate, please email the Chief-Investigator Dr Anabela Malpique at a.malpique@murdoch.edu.au.

If you do not agree to proceed with the survey, please choose 'no' from the options below or simply close this window to leave the survey.

Thank you!

This study has been approved by the Murdoch University Human Research Ethics Committee (Approval 2020/014). If you have any reservation or complaint about the ethical conduct of this research, and wish to talk with an independent person, you may contact Murdoch University's Research Ethics Office (Tel. 08 9360 6677 (for overseas studies, +61 8 9360 6677) or email ethics@murdoch.edu.au). Any issues you raise will be treated in confidence and investigated fully, and you will be informed of the outcome.