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Dear Parents/Guardians,

You may recall that last year, the Bernards Township Schools Bullying Prevention Committee expanded its initiative to reduce bullying in our schools by adopting the internationally known Olweus Bullying Prevention Program begun by Dr. Dan Olweus in Scandinavia over thirty years ago. The Olweus Bullying Prevention Program is a researched-based program and an integral part of measuring its effectiveness includes conducting annual surveys of our students. All students in grades 3, 4, & 5 at Oak Street will be given the opportunity to take the survey on-line during their computer classes as a follow up to a mini lesson regarding online surveys. The survey will be administered in mid and late January during your child's computer class and is completely anonymous. Only 120 randomly selected surveys (40 per grade) will be used for the Olweus data, however, the data from all students will be made available to the administration. The surveys will take about thirty to forty-five minutes to complete and the results will enable the building and district committees to make decisions to enhance our efforts in bullying prevention. Students will be instructed to answer questions they understand and may skip any question they wish. If you would like to preview the survey before your child takes it, please contact Mr. Graber. If you would prefer your son or daughter not to take part in this survey, please return the cut-off portion of the slip below by January 13th. Thank you for your consideration regarding our efforts to reduce bullying in our schools.

Sincerely,

Scott B. Graber
Assistant Principal

Olweus Bullying Survey

I do not wish for my child, _____ to participate in the survey described above.

Child's teacher: _____

Parent signature: _____ Date: _____