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Dear Parent/Carer

Subject: Exciting Creative Photography Opportunity – Limited to 30 Students

We are delighted to offer students the opportunity to take part in an exciting creative photography project as part of the IRL (In Real Life) research programme, led by the Born in Bradford team. This unique project, called Through Our Lens, will give young people the chance to tell their own story through photography and share what matters most to them, their experiences, interests and the world around them. Please see the associated leaflet on our website, which provides more information about the project.

Participants will take part in two engaging workshops in school led by internationally recognised photographer Carolyn Mendelsohn, who has extensive experience working with young people.

During the project, students will:

- Learn creative photography techniques and practical tips.
- Use either their own mobile phone or a disposable camera provided by the project.
- Explore ways to tell their story through images.
- Review and select their favourite photographs with professional guidance.

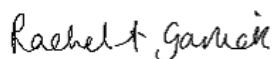
No previous photography experience is needed. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to develop their creativity, build confidence and contribute to an important local research project. Some photographs created during the project may be selected for inclusion in study publications or future exhibitions. Where photographs are used, only a student's first name and, where appropriate, their age will be included. Photographs will not be used for commercial purposes.

Limited Places Available

We have only 30 places available, so we expect significant interest. If you would like your child to take part, please complete the sign-up form using the link here: [Photography project sign up.](#)

Places will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rachel Garlick".

Rachel Garlick
Head of Secondary