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Dear Ellie,

Thank you so much for the lovely letter, we were blown away with your response and interest in the Reconnect Project we were completing at our school.

Your position paper is very well researched and we are pleased that you have included us in your paper.

The other research that you mention about students comments is very surprising and we agree that this project has helped us to think about the amount of time we use our devices.

We participated in group work and debated and presented to our peers, which we enjoyed and as sessions went on students become more confident in presenting.

Staff and students participated in the project, which Mrs Fallon lead and pledged to reduce the amount of time they use their devices. We even said that we would switch off at least 1 hour before we sleep. I must admit that doing this did help with my sleep and it's something that I have continued, even after the project has finished.

30+ teachers and 264 students participated in the 5-weeks and approximately, 20 teachers and 180 students were successful (based on the feedback from students).

We had a visitor from the University of Bristol (Pat), whom is a researcher, she visited to conduct interviews with students and staff regarding the Reconnect Project and she told us that we are 1 out of 6 school that she will be writing a case study about.

This was a real surprise and we are looking forward to reading the case study about our school. We are so pleased and proud of the impact and the influence our project has had on you and others.

Did you have to complete the position paper as part of your assignment? How old are you? Would you like to keep in touch with our progress? Have you thought about conducting an experiment with peers in your class? In relation to pledging to turn their phones off at least 1 hour before bed?

We hope to hear from you soon and please can you respond to our questions?

Yours sincerely,

Year 8 students and Mrs Fallon