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Dear Colleagues,

Asbestos in schools: data collection and next meeting date

As a member of the Asbestos in Schools Steering Group (ASSG), I wanted to update you about our progress on collecting more information on how schools manage asbestos in their buildings and inform you of the ASSG meeting date.

As you will be aware, in March 2015, the Department for Education concluded a review of its policy on the management of asbestos in schools. The outcomes from the review included the issuing of updated guidance, [Managing Asbestos in your school](#), and a call for a clearer picture of how asbestos is managed in schools across England.

As a result we are asking all head teachers to answer a small number of straightforward questions on behalf of their school. Head Teachers will receive immediate feedback and advice based on their responses. The online questionnaire can be found on GOV.UK [here](#).

A good return from schools will increase our understanding of the current situation and will help to determine what further action from us is may be required. The survey opened on 28th January, and we would really appreciate your help in disseminating this information. We would be grateful if you could emphasise the importance of this exercise, and encourage members of your respective organisations to ensure the online form is completed and returned by 29 February 2016.

Later this year we'll be publishing the findings of this national survey.

Thank you for your continued contribution on this important matter. We look forward to discussing the preliminary results from the survey with you at the next Asbestos in Schools Steering Group Meeting which has been pencilled in for **10 am on 31st March. Please can you write back to me to confirm if you are able to attend this date by close on 16th February? Provided enough members able to attend we will then confirm the date and set an agenda.**

Many thanks,

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