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Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Parent Survey

Thank you to all of those who completed the online parental survey over the past couple of weeks. I would like to share with you all some of the highlights from the feedback provided by parents.

HIGHLIGHTS

In total 45 sets of parents responded to the survey.

-All, bar one parent, felt that their child was happy at school (44 out of 45).

-Every single parent agreed that they felt their child was safe at school.

Over 70% of parents did not have any bullying concerns. Of those that did, all apart from two were happy with how it had been dealt with.

44 out of the 45 parents agreed that their child is developing well at this school.

42 parents would recommend our school to others whilst 3 would not.

COMMENTS

Below are some comments mentioned by parents and how as a school we are addressing these issues:

“The school could do with a better range of extra-curricular activities”

We will be reviewing the range of clubs on offer and from the start of Term 3 (January 2023) we will be looking to provide a wide range to include more non-sport based.

“Parents would like more information on the different curriculum areas”

At the end of this week, we will be circulating to parents the yearly overview for each class this year which covers all subject areas. Mrs Spurgeon has already circulated this for Discovery class.

“Too much expected at home to support the children’s learning”

As a working parent myself, I appreciate how hard it can be during evenings to get any extra school work done. We fully understand the importance of reading to EVERY child’s development and so we ask that they find some time, however small that would be, to read every SCHOOL night whether that be on their own, with siblings, to the cat or to a parent. We also suggest that this doesn’t have to be a book all of the time, it can also be a comic or a newspaper or a set of instructions. In addition to this, there is clear evidence that those children using Timestables Rockstars at home are making accelerated progress with their maths. Again, any 5-10 minute opportunities where a child can do this will benefit them greatly. We do not expect

children to do the same amount of work at home during the school holidays but again we aim to promote a love of reading which results in them actually choosing to read because of their enjoyment for it.

“Extra swimming lessons for those who missed out through COVID”

In a usual year we take Year 3 and Year 6 pupils swimming. In term 6 this year we are also including Year 5 in this as we are aware that they missed out due to COVID. Swimming is something that we continue to look at to ensure that EVERY child leaves us being able to swim.

“More feedback opportunities as to how my child is doing”

As well as the two sets of parent/teacher meetings each year and the end-of-year academic report, we will be sending home a brief report at the end of EVERY TERM which will outline how well your child is doing in the core subjects.

“Help working parents by offering more flexible times for events in school”

We do try to create times later in the evening for many events without impacting too much on children’s bed time. Examples of this include the open evenings each term which sees the school open until 6pm as well as forthcoming Christmas Concert which is between 6-7pm and parents/teacher meeting slots range from anytime between 8am and 6pm. We hope to be able to offer as many opportunities like this for working parents going forwards.

It was also lovely to read so many of the positive comments that came our way and these will all be shared with the staff at school. Some of these are outlined below:

“Top Quality School”

“My child and I are very happy to be part of this school”

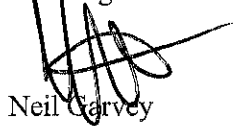
“Support for children and families is always there”

“My child is happy and thriving”

“I cannot thank the school enough for the support and education my child has received”

Again, thank you for all of your feedback and as always I am more than happy to discuss any further issues that you may have.

Kind regards



Neil Garvey
Headteacher