

Parent Questionnaire – 19 completed
Executive Headteacher Coffee & Chat – April 2016

	Strongly Agree	Partly Agree	Cannot Comment	Disagree	Strongly Agree
I am made to feel welcome in school.	79%	21%	0%	0%	0%
My child is happy in school.	74%	21%	0%	5%	0%
My child achieves well in school.	37%	53%	10%	0%	0%
My child is well cared for, guided & supported in school.	32%	68%	0%	0%	0%
The school is well-led and managed	16%	53%	26%	0%	0%
The school keeps me well-informed about the work my child doing, including Religious Education.	26%	63%	0%	10%	0%
The school provides satisfactorily for pupils with special needs.	21%	26%	53%	0%	0%
The interior of the school building is well maintained.	21%	74%	5%	0%	0%
The school grounds are well maintained.	64%	26%	0%	10%	0%

Parent 1

- My children, whilst happy and learning, could learn more with more focussed attention. They are very clever and their teachers have pushed them but they could be pushed further. I rarely know how well they are doing, what topic is being studied. I would like more chances to know how to help at home.
- The building itself could benefit from better paths along the side of the building and wider paths. Moving from one class to another takes several minutes so children can be left waiting.
- Inside is showing signs of age, such as the hall floor.
- Parent and toddler morning.

Parent 2

- In general I am happy with the school. I do wish there was more I knew about how well she is doing in different levels and parts of her learning, in general more updates. I like the new Dojo point system.
- A couple of concerns I have is that she regularly complains she has no one to play with on the big yard and that older children are knocking her over. I told her to tell her teacher and she said the teacher is fed up of tattle tales. This I want to help her with, find out if it is accurate as her being confident socially is as important as her learning to me. You can't have one without the other.
- Also there have been a couple of occasions where I think personal care could be improved. She has had her shoes on the wrong feet. She said she has fallen and has a bruise, but no accident form. She has not been helped with dressing in the sense that they have not checked. An example she has put her socks on and her feet were covered in blisters.

- I also don't like, am opposed to changes in the school day. More notice of school trips and if and when she leaves the school gate e.g. to go to church

Parent 3

- I feel the school is improving. The curriculum in action afternoon was a good insight into the work my child does in class.
- I think we could have more information of the level my child is at and ways we can help at home with work she is doing in class.

Parent 4

- I feel the school has started to slowly improve, but the walkway into school on the right side is very narrow and the doors to the classroom on the way round are a bit of a hazard.
- The school dinners still pose a huge problem. My child now only seems constantly to want a sandwich or even jacket potato and are coming home still hungry even though she is eating everything in front of her.
- The problems with my child's health issues in school are now sorted and I am quite happy with the improvements made there.
- The school's entry ways are a bit crowded for people coming in and out of the school.
- I feel the school is still in the dark ages and needs modernised and brought forward.
- I would like at least a few weeks' notice for school trips or fancy dress, not days!

Parent 5

- The first term here we received weekly newsletters which informed us what our children were getting up to in class. They have only just started again, so I hope that they continue as it is lovely to be informed what our children are up to.
- The outside areas of the school are quite muddy around the paths and children tend to run around on it. I have seen quite a few falling. The children also climb on the trees.
- As you walk around to reception, front right of the building there is a leaking gutter. Whenever it rains it acts like a shower every time you walk near it and because the path isn't wide enough you can't always avoid it.

Parent 6

- The school is starting to make improvements and I feel it is moving in the right direction. There are still areas to focus on but I am now confident that these will be addressed. My little girl is very happy here and comes to school with no problem every day.
- I am happy we are starting to receive the weekly newsletter again.
- There are a few issues with the layout and overcrowding around the side of the school when collecting children and the layout of the pegs in reception can occasionally be problematic.

Parent 7

- I feel at times that the school seems unorganised. We often find out about dressing up days etc. only a few days beforehand and both my husband and I work full time so sometimes it can be difficult to have time to sort things for her.
- I feel like we could know more about what the children are up to day to day. Working full time it is not always possible to pop into nursery to see what they have been doing, although we make every effort to attend when we can.

Parent 8

- We receive a weekly newsletter in our daughter's home school diary. Our daughter has special needs and we believe that we don't have the opportunity to talk to my child about what she has done at school that day. My wife and I believe that daily reports will benefit our daughter's development.

Parent 9

- I find that sometimes parents are informed about activities in school with not enough notice. My grandson's parents work full time so more notice would be beneficial to them and their son.

Parent 10

- Feel the last couple of years – no flow with school management. Looking forward, hopefully changes are happening (seems to be the case)
- Nice to be invited to a coffee morning and meet other parents/teachers. Made to feel welcome.
- Meant to ask about any info on St. Joseph's summer camp activities. Not sure if we missed on during the Easter holidays. My daughter will be attending St. Joseph's next year and would like to go to some of the activities during the holidays to hopefully find her way around the school and meet other children.

Parent 11

- A timetable of events i.e. P.E, swimming, maths with P.E, would be appreciated as children never remember what's happening the next school day.
- Keep getting text messages which are very badly punctuated with poor grammar. Should be better coming from a school.
- Security within the school is very good. However this doesn't help get all the children into the class on time. The pathways are very narrow and when dropping off 3 children on 3 different sides of the school in the allotted 10 minutes, it isn't enough time on some occasions.
- More educational clubs available for less active more knowledgeable children, chess club, writing club, drama group etc.
- More focused learning for gifted children. I get reports that each day children don't learn anything because the class is being taught what they already know.

Parent 12

- I would to see more reading done in school and more support with school work.
- I would like to see more school trips and I would not mind paying for them to go on trips.

Parent 13

- We are a bit concerned that there has been a change in his class and it seems to have unsettled him.
- Teacher needs some assistance.

Parent 14

- I think parents would benefit from the front of the school being paved as in winter it is very muddy.

Parent 15

- I would really like to see reading records getting checked more at school by teachers to allow parents to understand their child's needs.
- Better school trips throughout the year for all classes.
- Flexibility between dinners/packed lunches on different days