

St Laurence Catholic Primary School: Parents' Survey 2018

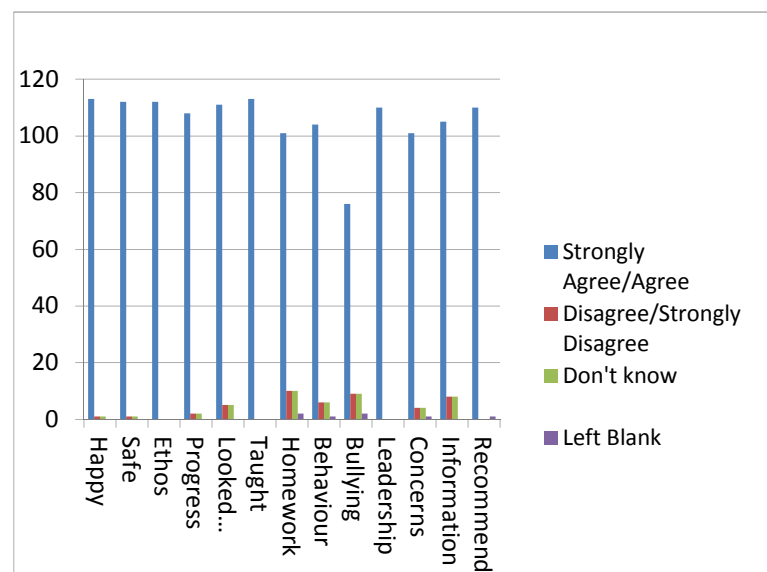
Our 2018 parents' survey was handed out at the March parents' evenings. The Governing Body reviewed the results of the survey at our meeting on 3rd May and was pleased to see the overwhelmingly positive feedback. Thank you to all of you who took the time to complete the survey; 115 completed surveys were returned. The survey contained 13 questions (the Ofsted Parent View questions). There was also an opportunity to make comments about the school (in the form of "2 stars and a wish"; see overleaf).

	Question	Strongly Agree/ Agree	Disagree/ Strongly Disagree	Don't know	Left Blank	Total
1	My child is happy at this school	113	1	1	0	115
2	My child feels safe at this school	112	1	2	0	115
3	The school has a strong Catholic ethos based on Gospel values	112	0	3	0	115
4	My child makes good progress at this school	108	2	5	0	115
5	My child is well looked after at this school	111	5	0	0	116
6	My child is taught well at this school	113	0	2	0	115
7	My child receives appropriate homework for their age	101	*10	2	2	115
8	The school ensures the pupils are well behaved	104	6	5	1	116
9	The school deals effectively with bullying	76	9	**29	2	116
10	The school is well led and managed	110	0	5	0	115
11	The school responds well to any concern I raise	101	4	9	1	115
12	I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress	105	8	2	0	115
13	I would recommend this school to another parent	110	0	4	1	115

*There were 3 comments requesting more homework. If you're unsure about the amount of homework your child is being set, please do check the weekly class curriculum letters and talk to your child's class teacher.

** The school takes the safety of all its children very seriously and the children are fully involved in continuing to developing strategies to encourage good friendships and personal resilience. The school anti-bullying policy is reviewed regularly. The school council are currently involved in developing understanding of the definition of bullying and a range of anti-bullying strategies with the whole school community

Both the bullying policy and the homework policy are available on the Policies page of the website.



These are comments from the back page of our questionnaire. The comments listed here are those which 5 or more parents highlighted (along with the number of times each comment was made)

Stars:

The Governors are aware of how tirelessly all the staff work within our Catholic Ethos to make the school a friendly, happy, safe environment where children are taught well and make good progress. We are delighted to see that parents continue to share our positive view of our school.

Friendly/friendliness, the welcome & smiles	20
Ethics/ethos, caring & respect, like a family, sense of community, supportive, atmosphere	20
Catholic ethos, teaching of religion, faith based education	16
Education: level of teaching, learning environment, monitoring of progress, how children develop, IPC	14
Teachers: know the pupils, very good, committed, perfect patient, nice but strict when needed	12
Staff (general): lovely, understanding, caring, commitment, attitude, kind, approachable, helpful	11
Children are happy	6
Office staff: fantastic, amazing	5
Communication with parents, approachable staff, "go beyond"	5
School management, school keeps improving, dynamism, well led, helpful	5
Variety of opportunities (eg trips, forest school, art, show & tell)	5

Wishes:

We have included responses from Senior Staff & Governors in italics.

Breakfast club <i>The renovation of the former caretaker's house has now been completed and the school is currently talking to school-club providers about options for setting up a breakfast club; this would be from September 2018 at the earliest.</i>	9
After school club <i>As part of our discussions with school club providers, we are also exploring whether an after school club is feasible. At this stage, we do not yet know the outcome; our priority is the setting up of a breakfast club.</i>	5
More after school extra-curricular clubs/wider range of after school clubs <i>The range of clubs we offer is comparable to other similarly sized schools. For free clubs, we are reliant on volunteers or our staff giving up their own time. We do expect every teacher to run at least one club (either at lunchtime or after school) during the course of each year, but given the high workload our teachers have, we wouldn't want to ask them to do more than this. We also offer some clubs that you have to pay for: these run only if they're financially viable and we are aware of pressures on family budgets.</i> <i>We always welcome parents/volunteers with a skill or hobby they would like to share through a club. Please contact the school office if you would like to run a club after half term or in the Autumn.</i>	5
Lunches (more choice, better food, more time to eat them, more fresh salads) <i>The Cambridgeshire Catering Service (CCS) which currently supplies our school meals will be closing at the end of the Autumn Term 2018. The school is currently putting our school lunches contract out to tender.</i>	5