

Autumn 2020 Whole School Parent View Survey

Parent View is Ofsted's online questionnaire for parents and carers. The intention is that parents and carers complete this annually. However, despite school's best efforts the number of online questionnaire completed by parents is so small that sample size doesn't produce any meaningful data. This low participation in the online questionnaire is not representative of the high level of parental engagement the school has with parents and carers so at the start of the autumn term parents and carers are provided with a paper copy of Ofsted' Parent View.

Making the survey more accessible to all groups of parents has greatly increased the number of families that are able to offer their views in this important consultation activity.

The survey was given out in September 2020 at socially distanced 'Meet Your Child's Class Teacher' meetings for pupils in reception to Year 6 (190 pupils).

Once again a significant number of parents and carers took the time to offer their views and opinions resulting in 119 returned questionnaires. This represents our best response since we started gathering this data in 2016.

The majority of parents strongly agree in all categories and the rest largely agree. Parents continue to be supportive of the school and tell us that their children are well taught, well behaved, well looked after and make good progress. Parents are also supportive of school leadership and feel that any concerns they have are dealt with appropriately. All those completing the questionnaires agreed or strongly agreed that their child was happy and safe in school which is a testament to the comprehensive measures the school put in place in response to the Covid 19 pandemic. A parent included this comment in their questionnaire: *Thank you for all of the safety measures you are putting in at this difficult time. We as a family are very happy to continue sending our child to school.*

This is typical of the feedback we have received from our families as pupils returned to school in September.

All parents of pupils with SEND that completed the survey agreed or strongly agreed that school gives them the support they need to succeed.

This year there was a small number of respondents (8%) that responded that they didn't know about the range of subjects available however all of these were EYFS parents where the curriculum is blended rather than discreet subjects. There was also a small number of parents that were unaware of after school activities and the majority of these were new to school so would have started when school was closed and there was no after school provision

As would be expected a small number of parents disagreed with statements or made a suggestion for how school can improve in some areas and these were followed up by class teachers or senior leaders so that these could be discussed in more detail

Question 5: This question was changed this year so that it matched exactly the language used in Ofsted's online questionnaire. Previously the statement was 'The school deals effectively with bullying' and this was changed to 'My child has been bullied and the school dealt with the bullying quickly and effectively'. Analysis of the questionnaires completed indicates that many parents and carers found this wording confusing. A third said they didn't know or didn't answer the question and 56% agreed or strongly agreed with the statement. This would imply a significant increase in the number of pupils experiencing bullying (even if it as dealt with effectively). However internal data continues to indicate a very low instance of bullying so it is likely that these parents were attempting to agree with a positive statement rather than indicate that their child had actually experienced an incident of bullying. This is corroborated as the majority of parent ticking these boxes also checked every other statement as strongly agree or agree as they went down the page.

A very small number of parents indicated that they disagreed with the statement and were followed up personally to find out if they were disagreeing because they had had a negative experience or they are disagreeing because their child has not been bullied. Parents confirmed that they had ticked this box inadvertently or misunderstood the wording of the question and they were not reporting an unresolved bullying issue.

School leaders keep meticulous records of any instances of bullying and ensure that school policies are followed robustly to ensure any complaint is dealt with quickly and effectively as indicated by the following parent comment: *My child had a little issue with bullying but this was dealt with in a very professional manner. My child is happy in school now.*

Next year's questionnaire will be amended to avoid the confusion the new wording caused this year

Cheetwood Primary School

Questionnaire for parents and carers Autumn 2020 Whole School Data

. 119 Questionnaires were completed

We would like to thank everyone who took the time to complete the questionnaires and for sharing your views and opinions with us

Commented [TB1]:

		Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
1	My child is happy at this school	62%	38%	-	-	-
2	My child feels safe at this school	62%	38%	-	-	-
3	The school is well led and managed	59%	40%	1%	-	-
4	The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved	64%	34%	1%	-	1%
5	My child has been bullied and the school dealt with the bullying quickly and effectively Question change see explanation above	(35%)	(21%)	(8%)	(1%)	(34%)
6	The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year	50%	47%	1%	-	2%
7	When I raise concerns with the school they are dealt with properly	52%	44%	1%	-	4%
8	The school has high expectations for my child	50%	47%	1%	-	2%
9	My child does well at school	52%	47%	-	-	2%
10	The school lets me know how my child is doing	53%	45%	2%	-	-
11	There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school	46%	48%	-	-	6%
12	My child can take part in clubs and activities	51%	39%	1%	-	8%
13	The school supports my child's wider personal development	48%	47%	2%	-	3%
14	I would recommend this school to another parent	60%	38%	1%	-	1%
15a	Does your child have a special educational needs and/or a disabilities (SEND) Please circle Yes or No	Yes 16%			No 84%	
15b	If yes: My child has SEND and the school gives them the support they need to succeed	50%	50%			

Additional Comments and suggestions offered by parents and carers:

- My child has never been bullied but if ever I have had an issue with anyone the teacher sorts it out very well in an organised way
- Thank you for all of the safety measures you are putting in at this difficult time. We as a family are very happy to continue sending our child to school
- We are new in school and not aware of anything. Earlier in the year we had some problems with our neighbours and school helped us through that tough time and we are very thankful to the school
- My child had a little issue with bullying but this was dealt with in a very professional manner. My child is happy in school now.
- At the moment I am only worried about children and that school should close again, We all know that Covid 19 is increasing at a higher rate I prefer online class or home learning
- I understand that school uniform can get misplaced but I would like the teacher to check if the child's uniform has their name on it and if not to put the name on it.
- I would like a crossing line in front of the school
- There are some instances that I feel positively about how my child is doing at school and I have strong reasons to believe he is doing well but I don't have the evidence to prove it
- For the betterment of the child every week work done in school the parents should get his notes so that they can look at the notes and have revision with the child at the weekend.
- I feel could be better led as past matters not deal with fairly
- Detailed topics and booklets should be provided to parents so they can work with kids
- I am concerned about bullying as a parent I don't want my child to be bullied by another and some kids don't want to tell and keep it inside