

ST WERBURGH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE

October 2018



We highly value feedback from our parents and carers to make sure we have the very best provision for all learners.

Constructive criticism is useful but it is also important that we receive positive comments too because both of these elements will form part of the reporting process to OFSTED and the Local Authority.

140 Questionnaires were completed. Some questions were not completed so the percentages below are based on the number of responses per question:

	Statement	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Total responses
1	My child is happy at this school	109	31	1		141
2	My child feels safe at this school	113	25	1		139
3	My child makes good progress at this school.	92	43			135
4	The school is aware of my child's individual needs and wellbeing. (My child is well looked after in this school.)	100	41			141
5	My child is taught well at this school.	99	40			139
6	The school is helping my child become mature, responsible and confident.	103	33	1		137
7	My child receives appropriate homework for their age.	83	48	8		139
8	The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved.	90	34			124
9	Bullying and racism are dealt with effectively.	85	41	1		127
10	I feel confident and able to talk to my child's class teacher.	106	30	1		137
11	This school is well led and managed.	100	28			128
12	The school responds well to any concerns I raise.	99	42			141
13	I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress.	82	43	4		129

If you have ticked strongly agree for any of these statements, we would welcome your reason below:

- My child always seems happy and is developing well.
- My children have been coming to this school for 20 years.
- He feels valued and confident in his class setting and seems to have his learning needs met.
- Always well behaved and mature children in this school.
- Really pleased with Y6 teacher and how the class is being managed.
- My child is doing very well, their confidence has grown in the last 2 years I am very pleased with their progress and would like to thank the school for all their hard work.
- All my kids that come to this school look forward to coming in every day which makes me know that they are happy here.
- Positive environment and relationships with staff
- Staff have an excellent awareness of both children
- Happy to attend – Important!!
- My child is a very confident happy individual thanks to the school. Any concerns raised are dealt with and taken seriously.
- A challenging environment with so many cuts, I feel the school exceeds expectations.
- Great school, good communication. Aware of and responding to my child's individual needs.
- I'm happy with everything. Not sure about number 9 as haven't encountered it.
- My child enjoys school and the opportunities for trips etc.
- I am continually impressed by and grateful for the level of teaching and pastoral care at the school. My children have faced some difficult challenges and the school has responded in a consistently supportive way, beyond expectations. My children have clearly benefitted from the school's approach.
- I have every faith in the school and from my child's feedback I am convinced the school is

excellent in all areas.

- Enthusiastic about learning, proud of his school/class and his own progress. Expectations of himself are high. Questions about next steps etc have been responded to well and our opinion feels valued.
- My child feels happy and safe.
- Both our children are happy and well supported and are making good progress. The teachers and staff always answer any questions we have. We love the diversity and the respect and understanding this creates.
- Because my children are happy.
- All of above, first class teaching and leadership. 100% happy with the school.
- My child looks forward to school and is happy to be here.
- My children love coming to school! Their teachers are friendly and approachable and I am able to talk to the school about how my children are doing without hesitating.
- My children are very happy at school.
- I believe in my child's opinions and he always says what happens in school.
- The school have created a safe environment for my child.
- He has grown and learned a lot since he joined the school at the end of Feb.
- I'm always hearing positive things about the school from my child and can see how happy she is coming here.
- We have a lot of confidence in St Werburghs. My child is happy and growing in all sorts of ways.
- My child is really happy at school and seems really proud of his progress.
- We are very happy with how the school provides a very good space for learning and there is a good focus on children's wellbeing. We have not had any concerns regarding racism or bullying so didn't comment on that.
- My child has quickly settled into Y1, he's very happy and has become a self-motivated learner. He talks very positively about his day.
- Lovely school, celebrates diversity, very nurturing and child focused.
- All positives!
- I have been a parent at this school for the last 15 years, the school has gone from strength to strength and has supported me, my kids, family and the wider community amazingly. The school understands our community intimately, reflects it and meets its needs. Gold star!
- We're very pleased with the standard of teaching and care given by the school and our children are always happy to be here.
- Having moved here after 4 years at a different school we were welcomed by staff, parents and children. I love this school and find that the teachers listen and take on board any suggestions I have. We are thrilled to be here, we feel very lucky and we're very grateful. Thank you.
- My little boy is very happy in this school, he loves coming here and misses it when it's the holidays. He always come home with positive stories about his school and teachers. My son's teacher has a great understanding of his needs. I am very pleased with the interest and effort that has taken place to ensure he gets what he needs.
- Because my child taught very well and happy she can't wait the next day to go to school as long as my child is happy I'm happy.
- I'm impressed with the progress in reading. My child is improving every week. Any time I have queried/asked/raised a concern it has been immediately responded to and then additional follow ups.
- I have a child with additional needs and a child who is transgender, both at this school. The school has been exceptional in promoting their rights and understanding their needs. I feel most confident about the school's commitment to equality and diversity and I hope it continues along the same path.
- She uses her knowledge from school to help her at home.
- The school have been fantastic in helping me meet additional needs for my child.
- All children are happy to attend school and enjoy the interaction with their peers and the adults that teach them.
- My child never reported to me that they were threatened in any way so in my opinion they are

safe. Good level and amount of homework. Can talk to the teacher openly.

- My child gave a very clear account of a discussion with the teacher about the use of the 'n' word so I know that racism is dealt with effectively.
- My child always talks happily about school and is eager to go in.
- I would just say that we feel that our child's needs, progress and development are all covered.
- The girls seem very happy and confident in school. They both seem to really like their teachers this year. We found it reassuring to be able to talk honestly to the teacher and SENCo at the beginning of the year. We are much happier with our child's pastoral care, attention to her particular requirements and teaching this year.
- School have been proactive at ensuring our requests are considered and met. The SLT are supportive, approachable and know our children – and all the children.
- This is a lovely school with a caring ethos. I feel like they really know my child and his needs.
- It is a lovely school doing an amazing job of looking after and teaching our boy!
- My daughter loves school and is thriving in the positive environment.
- Both of our children are completely settled within school life and achieving their potential. I have never had any problems and any concerns I have raised with teachers are dealt with promptly and efficiently.
- My daughter is very happy at the school. She has made lots of friends, enjoys the work that's been assigned and looks forward to coming in every day. Perhaps not a huge fan of the early mornings but she quickly gets used to it.
- I find the school to be a nurturing place and cares about the children. I feel there is a mutual respect between staff and pupils and amongst different year groups.
- As a parent I am always heard. I feel the school works well with parents and the children enjoy coming.
- He talks about it all the time, he also thanks me to bring him to this school. Safe – I see it everywhere.
- I find the teachers very approachable.
- My child always feels happy, safe and involved in school.
- The school is well managed and children are looked after well.
- My child seems to have overcome some difficulties she had friendships in previous years.
- Teachers are always looking for a way to help my child and solve any issues.
- My son had improved greatly since starting in September.
- My child is very happy at St Werburghs and we have really appreciated all the support and personal feedback about his learning and settling in.
- My child looks forward to going to school. She talks very positively about the teachers and clearly enjoys their company and the company of other children in her class. I have always found all the teachers to be incredibly easy to talk to and impossibly cheery at all times.
- My child is always happy to come to school and always wants to go to school even when it is shut. Always get good feedback from school.
- We feel that the holistic approach that the school has across the board has given our children the most supportive, creative, social and positive start in education that we could have hoped for. Also pastoral care and awareness of things affecting children at home.

If you have ticked strongly disagree for any of these statements, we would welcome your reason below:

- I feel the homework could be more challenging. I am aware of the workload for teachers but it could be a toolkit approach.
- I do think I am able to talk to school but an email address would help as I work full time.
- Progress comment relates to comment about homework.
- I don't agree that children should be given homework. There is no evidence to suggest it is beneficial.
- I would not expect a primary aged child to have homework. Home time is relax time and any education we do is not pressured.

Any other comments:

- I really wish they learnt Spanish, it is the third most spoken language in the world.
- We have found the transition to Year 3 and the new site really easy and efficient-thank you!
- I think that my child in Y6 could do with bringing home a bit more homework to help with his studies.
- More teacher parent meetings when you can see what methods teacher are using in maths so parents can work with children on these areas.
- I feel my child needs more challenge.
- Please let Y6 do the football tournament in the summer.
- I do think the school could do more BME activities.
- An extra parents evening later in the year would be outstandingly useful.
- I am extremely grateful that my child can borrow books from the school.
- We are so impressed with the school. Very pleased with the focus on wellbeing and the arts. Thanks again for all your hard work.
- My child has a lovely teacher.
- We are pleased with our child's progress at school and feel that he is getting all the support needed to progress in his learning development.
- Keep on inspiring my daughter.
- Thank you for all your hard work.
- I am really pleased with the progress he is making at school.
- Thanks for providing such a lovely environment for our children to grow and learn.
- I'd love there to be more themed days, it gets the children really thinking and is huge fun.
- I'm a fan of homework-I think it's great for them to get creative and it prepares them for what's ahead.
- Miss Allen is wonderful.
- Very happy with the school and the way it is run. All the teaching staff are lovely, warm and approachable. We are honoured to be part of this wonderful school.
- I have a concern about bullying but it is being dealt with.
- More interactive sessions about homework –great balance and set up otherwise.
- We chose this school because of the policy on children's behaviour – "all behaviour is communication" which, sadly is an unusual philosophy these days.
- We love St Werburghs!
- We love the school. You guys are doing a great job.
- Thank you all for providing a safe and loving learning environment.
- It would be good if the school linked the work that they cover each term with homework. I think this would help with consistent learning and development.
- After meeting with meeting with teacher, I have realised she's working hard on children and appropriate homework is being given and so is support for my son. I would appreciate if parents are kept aware of these positive steps and their child's learning not just on parents evening.
- The school respond well to any issues I raise. I feel that all children are treated as individuals. I know my children are well cared for and they are both happy here.
- I feel my children are really happy at St Werburghs and are all having their needs met.
- Incidents occurred and they were dealt with effectively. Knowing my child is happy makes me happy.
- Overall am very happy with the school and the way it is managed.
- We can't be more positive or grateful to Helen Faulkner and her staff in caring for and inspiring our children.