



Foxdell Primary School

Growing, Learning and Achieving Together

Parents Survey Response- October 2022

Thank you to all our families who took the time during our Parent Consultation Meetings to complete our Parent/ Carer Survey; your opinions and feedback are extremely important to us. We received 85 responses in total. We have analysed the results and identified how we can use your responses to further develop our school.

We are pleased with the overall positive feedback, however, as we strive to be the best school we possibly can, we recognise that we need to be constantly looking at and reviewing our procedures and your opinions form a fundamental part of that process.

Question 1: My child is happy at school. 96% of the parents that responded felt that their child is always/ mostly happy at school.

We are really pleased that your children enjoy coming to school and are happy at school. You can see this in the way they come into school and how they approach their learning.

Question 2: My child feels safe at this school. 98% of the parents that responded felt that their child is always/ mostly safe at school.

Keeping children safe during their time at Foxdell both physically and mentally is of paramount importance to us and we continually review our policies linked to this. We regularly take part in safeguarding and health & safety training and updates.

Question 3: The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved. 95% of parents responded that children are always/ mostly well behaved. 5% said that they are sometimes well behaved.

We have been focussing on behaviour over the last year and have engaged with the Behaviour Hubs to improve behaviour in and around the school. We have introduced 3 new school rules and have additional strategies such as the Zones of Regulation to help children regulate their behaviour and emotions. We continue to provide a values based education and promote British Values. Our new school uniform plays an important part in pupil behaviour and we are regularly monitoring this. We are continuing to develop pupil's learning behaviours and their attitude towards learning.

Question 4: My child has been bullied and the school dealt with the bullying quickly and effectively.

66% of parents responded that bullying is always/ mostly dealt with effectively. 11% said sometimes and 18% said that their child is never bullied.

We take all incidents of bullying very seriously and if it occurs, we will follow it up rigorously. We work hard to educate our children about bullying through our behaviour and safeguarding policies and through our Values Curriculum. We promote anti-bullying and engage with anti-bullying week in

November each year. We always encourage children to speak to an adult if they are worried and each class has a worry box if they would prefer to write a note for the teacher.

If you have any concerns about incidents of bullying in school, please do not hesitate to contact me personally so that matters can be resolved and we can ensure all children feel supported and happy in school. The most effective resolution to these issues is through good communication between home and school.

Question 5: The school makes me aware of what my child is learning during the year. 94% of parents responded that they are always/ mostly informed. 6% said that they are sometimes informed.

Communication and partnership between home and school is significant for ensuring the best outcomes for children. We have good attendance at Parent Consultation Meetings and we make every effort to meet parents that are unable to attend at a later date. Each half term, we send home our curriculum overview for the learning that will take place during that half term. In addition to this, our curriculum progression grids for every subject are available on our website. At the end of each academic year, we send out children's reports which provide parents with a snapshot of how their child is progressing and their achievements over the year. We will continue to ensure parents are kept informed about learning.

Question 6: When I have raised concerns with the school, they have been dealt with properly. 91% of parents responded that concerns are always/ mostly dealt with. 9% said that they are sometimes dealt with.

We always endeavour to respond to parents' concerns and we value your comments and feedback. Although we request that parents raise concerns with the class teacher in the first instance as they are the first port of call, we recognise that sometimes you may wish to escalate this to the senior leadership team. The senior leadership are available outside in the morning and at the end of the day and I am pleased that parents are confident to approach us to share their concerns if needed. We will continue to respond to the very highest standard in all instances of parental concern. We work hard to make sure any issues that arise are dealt with effectively and in a timely manner. Please let us know if you ever feel that this is not the case.

Question 7: Does your child have Special Educational Needs and/ or Disabilities (SEND)? 11% responded yes and 89% responded no.

Question 8: The school has high expectations for my child. 96% of parents feel that the school always/ mostly has high expectations for their child. The remainder of parents felt that this was sometimes. We strive for excellence for all of our children. We have developed our curriculum to ensure progression so that children are being challenged appropriately. Our teachers work hard to make learning engaging and fun for the children and we constantly look for opportunities to enhance their learning through trips and having visitors onsite and other additional enrichment activities. This year we have planned for every pupil from Reception to Year 6 to visit Whipsnade Zoo - each year group will have a different focus to ensure that they get the very best experience.

Question 9: My child does well at this school. 97% of parents felt that their child always/ mostly does well at Foxdell.

I am pleased to hear that you feel your child is doing well at school. One of our key priorities has been our curriculum and teaching and learning and our teachers work hard to plan lessons that are engaging and motivate children to learn. We were really pleased with our KS2 results last year (2022) which were the best that the school has had for a few years.

Question 10: The school lets me know how my child is doing. 92% of parents said that the school always/ mostly lets them know. 8% said they mostly know.

Parent Consultation Meetings take place twice across the academic year and our teachers will make additional appointments at any time of the year if they feel there is something to discuss. At the end of each academic year, we send out children's reports which provide parents with a snapshot of how their child is progressing and their achievements over the year. We will continue to ensure Parents are kept informed about learning.

Question 11: There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school. 96% responded always/ mostly and 4% responded sometimes.

We are continuing to develop our curriculum to ensure that this is broad and provides many opportunities to further strengthen learning such as educational visits and visitors. This year, we have been able to work with the Luton Music Service to offer music lessons to KS2 as well as introducing a school choir for Y5 and 6 children. We have also reintroduced singing assemblies and these are delivered by specialist teachers. In KS2, children learn French as a foreign language and we engage with Active Luton to provide a range of sporting activities for children to access.

Question 12: My child can take part in clubs and activities at this school. 88% responded always/ mostly however 6% felt that their child is not able to take part.

We are really pleased that we have been able to offer extra-curricular activities again this year. We recognise that some clubs are in high demand and we are exploring further opportunities.

Question 13: The school supports my child's wider development. 88% responded that the school always/ mostly supports their child's wider development and 9% felt this was sometimes.

We believe that well-being is essential to a child's personal development. This year, we have introduced the Zones of Regulation curriculum which provides strategies to enable children to manage their feelings and emotions. We continue to deliver our Jigsaw PSHE curriculum which has a significant focus on personal development.

If at any point you are concerned about your child's development, please speak to their class teacher or our SENDCO (Mrs Fadaïro) so that we can discuss ways to further support them.

Question 14: I would recommend this school to another parent. 93% of parents said that they would recommend Foxdell.

Further comments about the school:

Thank you for the additional comments about our school, they were interesting to read. Lots of comments were positive and encouraging:

- This is a good school
- I'm happy
- It is a great school
- Everything is fair
- So far my child has been blessed with amazing teachers in years 3 and 4. Hoping it continues for the remainder of the school years here at Foxdell
- Very good school
- The school has been fantastic from day one. Five of my children have been to Foxdell and I wouldn't have it any other way
- I want to thank all the staff for their hard work and their efforts with my children.
- I am completely satisfied with the standard of teaching at the school
- I am so happy that my child is a part of this school
- Nice place for learning
- Hardly ever see kids crying when they are going to school at Foxdell. Always excited and smiling stars
- Lovely teachers
- Great school, always there to help

Some parents raised issues around communication and partnership working which we will look to address over the coming months. If you ever have something you feel strongly about, please let me know so that we can see what we can do as a school to improve this for you.

Thank you again for your time and your continued support. We appreciate your feedback as it helps us to continue to improve our school.

Mrs R Nisar
Headteacher