



Foxdell Primary School

Growing, Learning and Achieving Together

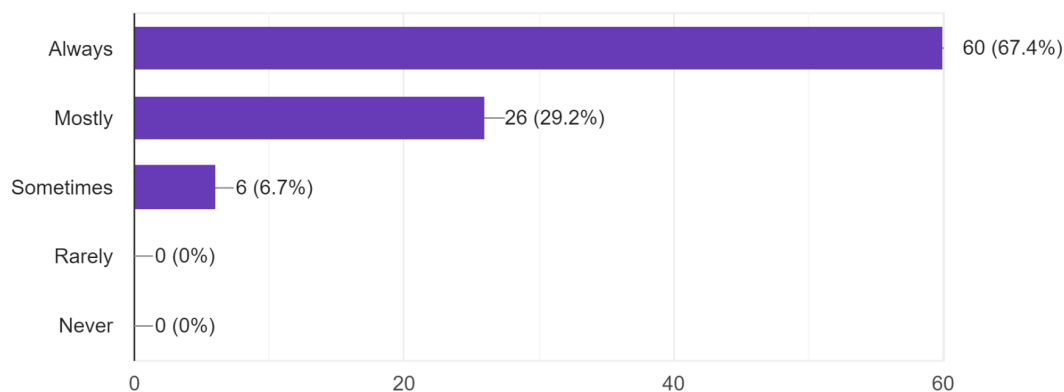
Parents Survey Response- October 2023

Thank you very much to all our families for completing the Parent/ Carer Survey during the Parent Consultation Meetings in October. We received 89 responses in total and were pleased with the overall comments and responses about our school. We have compiled the results and are pleased to share them with you.

The results from this survey will be shared and discussed at our next Governors meeting and also with staff so that we can make our school an even better place for pupils and their families. Your suggestions will be considered as we set our school development priorities for the future.

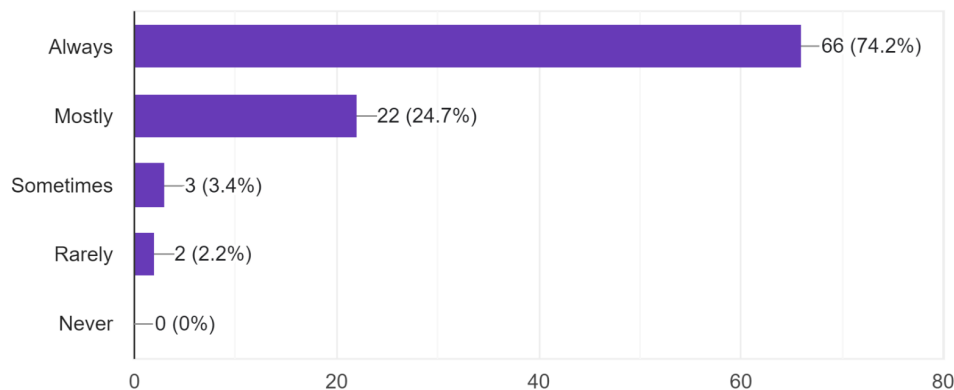
1. My child is happy at this school.

89 responses



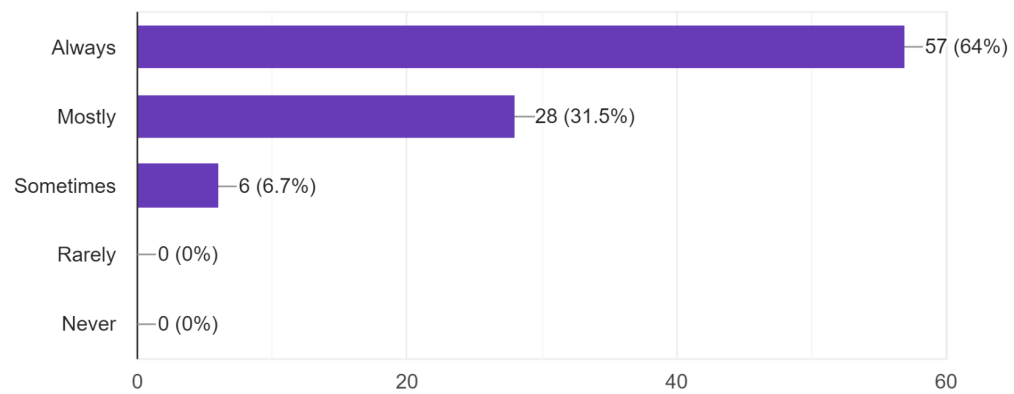
2. My child feels safe at this school.

89 responses



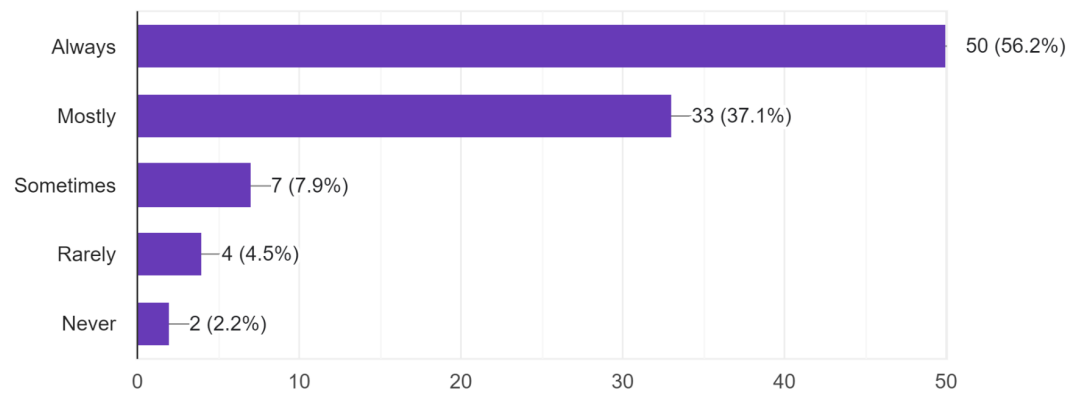
3. The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved.

89 responses



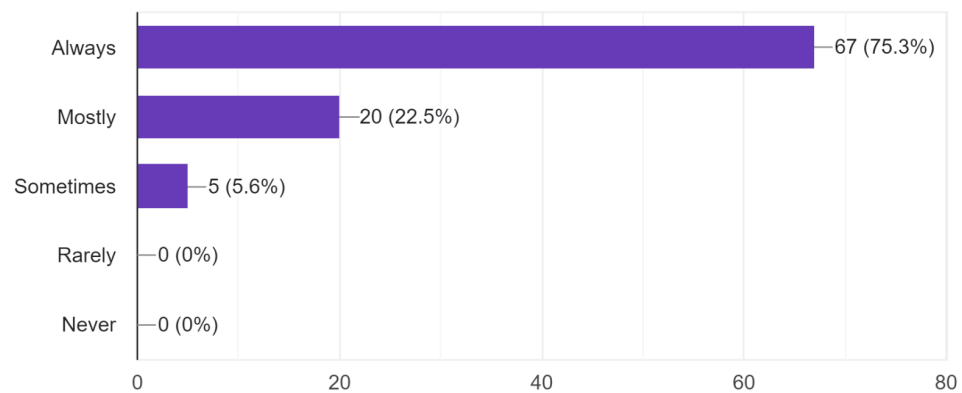
4. If my child was bullied, the school would deal with the bullying quickly and effectively.

89 responses



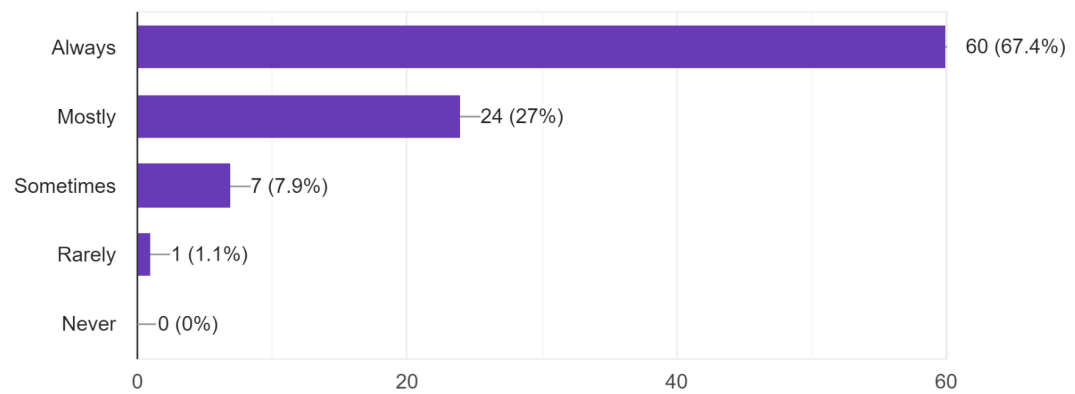
5. The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year.

89 responses



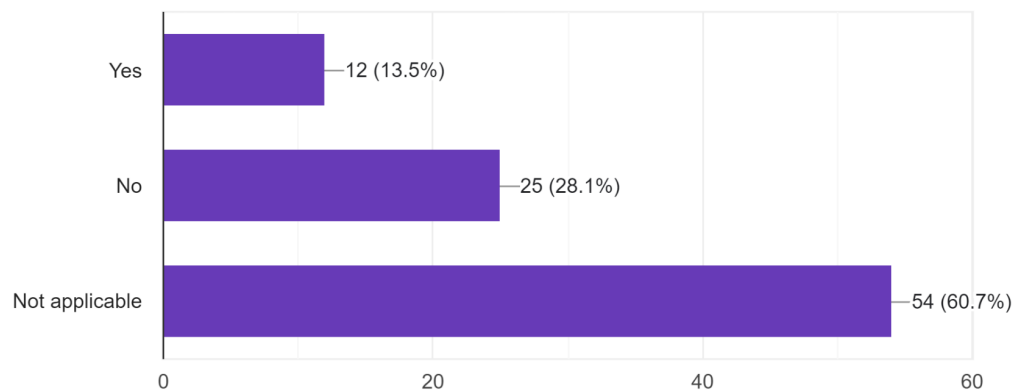
6. When I have raised any concerns with the school they have been dealt with properly.

89 responses



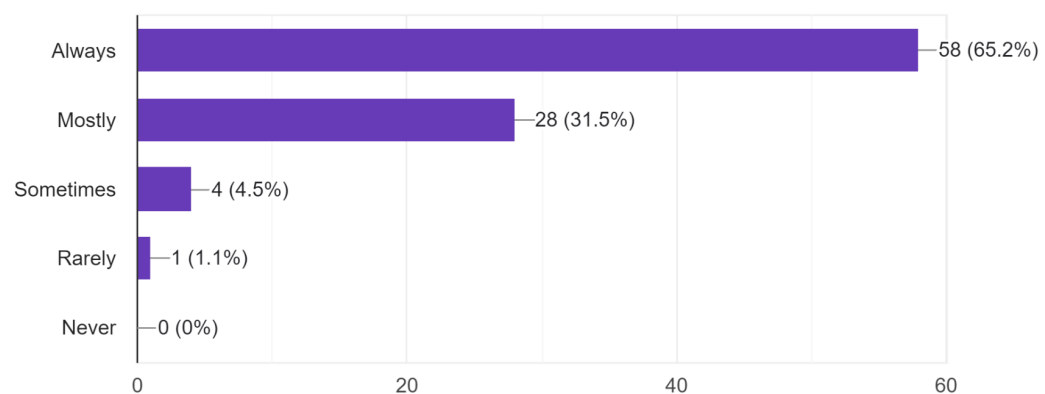
7. My child has special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) and the school provides effective support.

89 responses



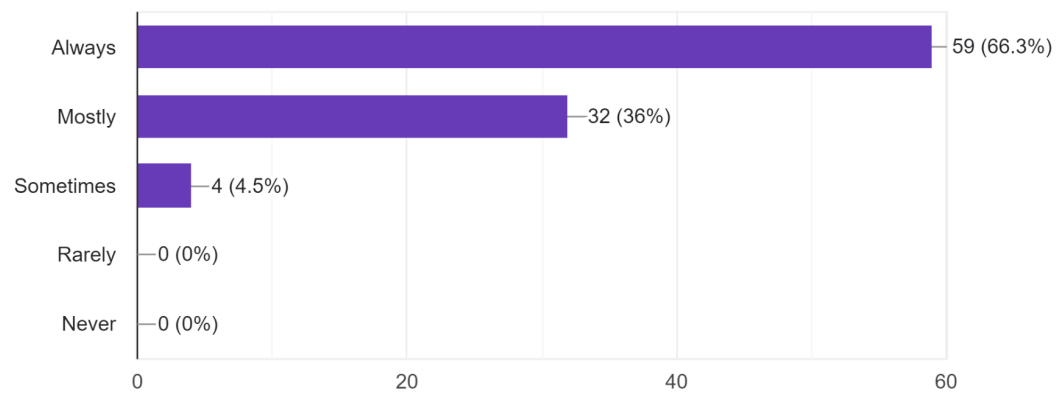
8. The school has high expectations for my child.

89 responses



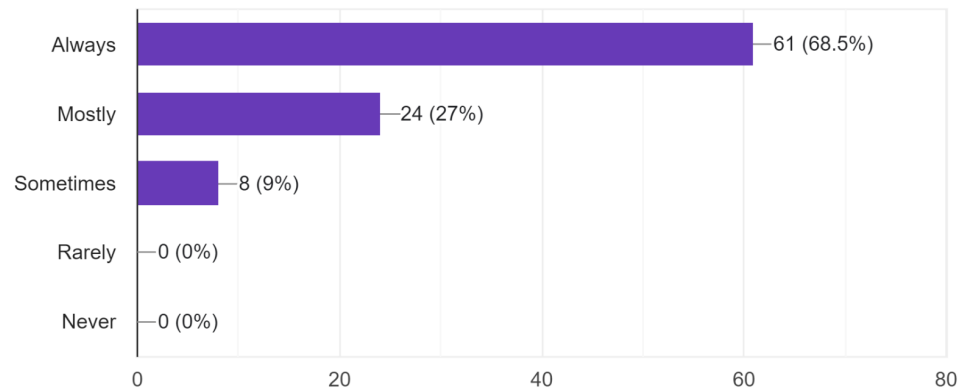
9. My child does well at this school.

89 responses



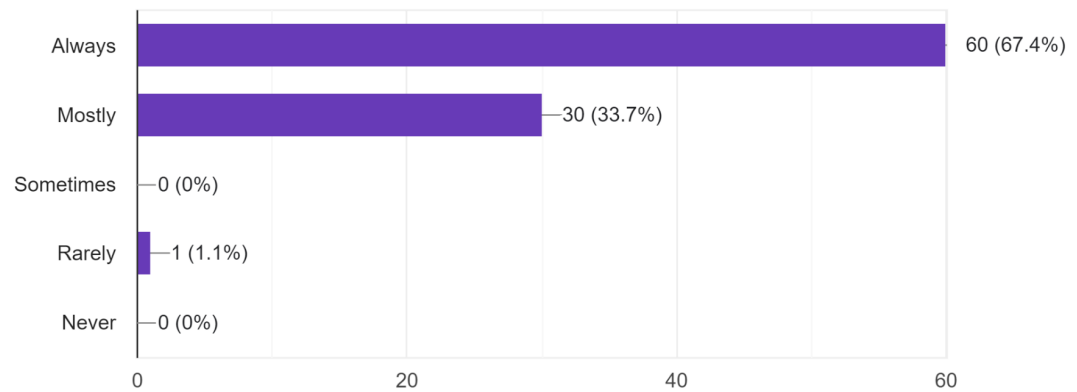
10. The school lets me know how my child is doing.

89 responses



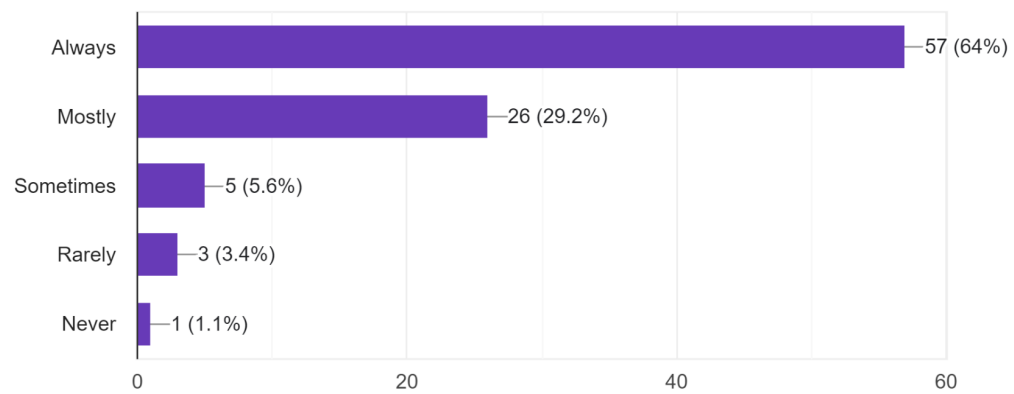
11. There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school.

89 responses



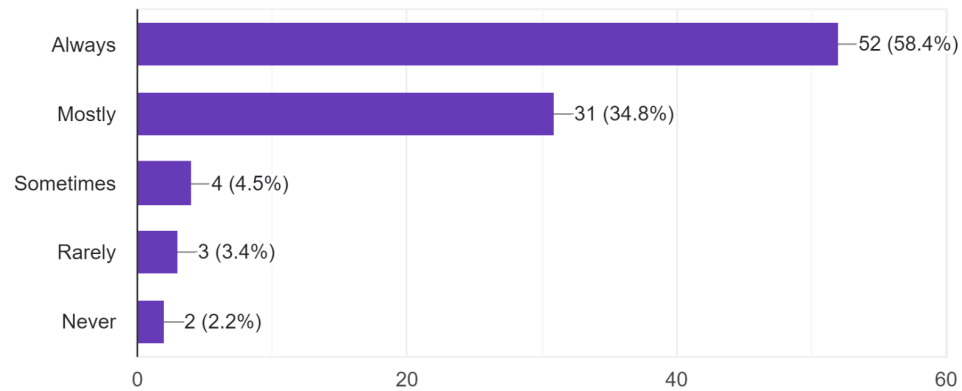
12. The school offers clubs and activities which my child can take part in.

89 responses



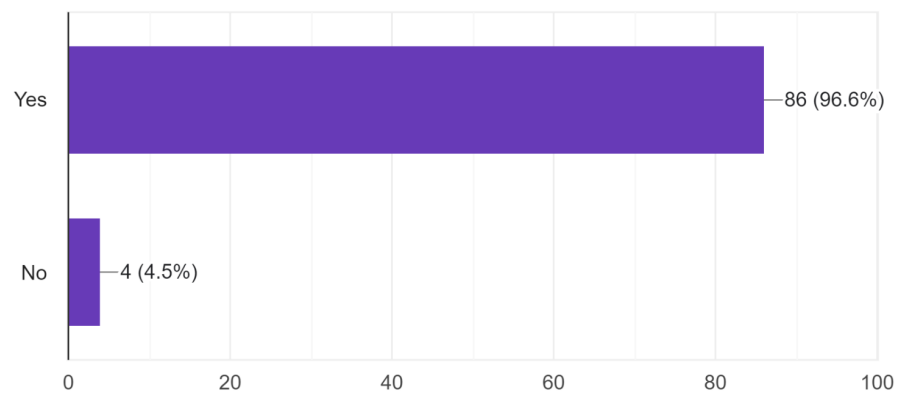
13. The school supports my child's wider personal development.

89 responses



14. I would recommend this school to another parent.

89 responses



Our Responses

Question 1: My child is happy at this school. 96.6% of the parents responded that their child is always/ mostly happy at school. Feeling safe and happy is at the forefront of everything we do. When children feel safe, learning and achieving becomes limitless. We are really pleased that your children enjoy coming to school but we want every child to feel happy at Foxdell. We will work with our School Council to gain further understanding from our children about improvements.

Question 2: My child feels safe at this school. Most of the parents responded that their child is always/ mostly safe at school. 5.6% of parents said sometimes or rarely. We would welcome your thoughts about why you feel this is and what we can do to improve in this area.

At Foxdell, we take safeguarding very seriously and are committed to ensuring that our children feel safe. Our recent Safeguarding Audit (summer term 2023) was carried out by the Luton Safeguarding Team. The outcomes of this audit were very positive and recognised the work that we are doing to keep our children safe.

Question 3: The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved. 95.5% of parents responded that children are always/ mostly well behaved. 5% said that they are sometimes well behaved.

We are continuing to focus on developing pupil's learning behaviours and their attitude towards learning. We have reviewed our school values and have identified six core values; responsibility, gratitude, relationships, positivity, diversity and resilience. Each term, a new value is introduced and we focus on other linked values. This year, we will continue to work on developing children's emotional wellbeing through the Zones of Regulation and the FISH! Philosophy. We have recently received Attachment and Trauma training; this will help staff gain a deeper understanding of how trauma and adverse childhood experiences impact on behaviour.

Question 4: If my child was bullied, the school would deal with the bullying quickly and effectively.

93% of parents responded that bullying is always/ mostly dealt with effectively. 6.7% said rarely or never. 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 and a worry monster 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. 97.8% of parents responded that they are always/ mostly 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 email 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. Please remember to read all the school emails that are sent out and go onto the website to look at the curriculum areas and curriculum plans – all this information is here to enable parents to find out what the children are learning about throughout the year. We also keep you informed through our fortnightly newsletter which talks about the learning across the school as well as updates from each year group.

Question 6: When I have raised concerns with the school, they have been dealt with properly. 94.4% 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 in a prompt manner and in a way that satisfies all concerned; however, we recognise that not all parents will be in agreement with the decisions that are made. We always follow protocols and procedures when dealing with concerns and do our very best to resolve concerns promptly. We request that parents raise concerns with the class teacher in the first instance as they are the first port of call. We will continue to respond to the very highest standard in all instances of parental concern.

Question 7: My child has special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) and the school provides effective support. 60.7% of parents said this was not applicable to them. 28.1% said 'no'.

Our newly appointed Inclusion Manager has been working closely with staff to implement strategies and interventions to support children that have SEND. Our staff receive regular training on a range of strategies including colourful semantics, now and next boards, visual timetables, bucket time, lego therapy, etc. so that they can provide targeted support for children with additional needs. We are fortunate to have a large staff team that works together to provide additional support for identified pupils and we work closely with the Luton SEND Team (SENAT). If your child has SEND and you would like to discuss the support that is provided then please speak to your child's class teacher or make an appointment to meet Mr Boswell (Inclusion Manager).

Question 8: The school has high expectations for my child. 96.7% of parents feel that the school always/ mostly has high expectations for their child. 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, visitors and other enrichment activities. After great success last year, this year we have planned for every pupil from Reception to Year 6 to visit Whipsnade Zoo again - like last year, 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. 96.9% of parents felt that their child always/ mostly does well at Foxdell.

We want every child at Foxdell to do well and reach their full potential. We are continuously reviewing and developing our curriculum so that every child can achieve their best. Our Phonics results for 2022-23 were excellent and increased from 33.3% in the previous year to 80.6%; this was better than local and national. Our good level of development in the Early Years also increased from 33% in the previous year to 65.9% which was broadly in line with local and national outcomes. We have also continued to improve our KS2 results. Our performance data for 2022-23 is available on our school website in the 'About Us' section: <https://www.foxdellprimary.uk/performance-data-and-ofsted-report/>

Question 10: The school lets me know how my child is doing. 95.5% of parents said that the school always/ mostly lets them know. As a school we are committed to establishing and maintaining an effective and purposeful working relationship between the school and home. This relationship is key to a child's progress. We keep you informed about your child's progress in the following ways:

- At the start of the year, each year group delivers a 'Welcome to the year group' meeting. This is an opportunity for you to find out about what your child will be learning throughout the year, the expectations for the end of that year and strategies are provided for you to support at home.
- 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.
- Additional workshops are offered throughout the year such as Phonics, Healthy Living, etc.

Question 11: There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school. Most parents responded always/ mostly however one parent responded rarely.

We follow the National Curriculum Programme of Study. This ensures that the children have breadth and balance in terms of curriculum coverage. At the start of each half term, curriculum overviews are emailed out to all families. This provides you with an overview of what your child will be learning throughout that half term. This year, we have secured music lessons for all children from Reception to Year 6 and these are delivered by specialist music teachers from the Luton Music Service. All children receive an additional 30 minute physical activity session per week which is delivered by ThinkSport sports coaches.

Question 12: My child can take part in clubs and activities at this school. 93.2% of parents responded that their child always/ mostly takes part in clubs and activities.

We offer Breakfast clubs at both sites. We also offer a range of after school clubs including sports clubs delivered by ThinkSport, sports clubs delivered by Mr Blunt, Maths club and Choir club. We engage with the Luton School Games and groups of children attend festivals and competitions throughout the year. We will continue to explore further extra curricular activities.

Question 13: The school supports my child's wider development. 93.2% responded that the school always/ mostly supports their child's wider development.

All year groups plan extra curricular activities and trips throughout the year. We also invite visitors from different faiths and organisations to widen our children's knowledge. We have endeavoured to provide a varied programme of after school clubs as detailed above.

Question 14: I would recommend this school to another parent. 96.6% of parents said that they would recommend Foxdell to other parents.

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:

- Everything is good
- Good
- Good school
- Well organised school
- Everything is nice
- Great school, great school staff
- Best school in luton
- Generally satisfying
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- Nice school
- Generally a good school
- Treat each child with care
- Everything is good and fine
- The best people
- The teachers and all staff are very friendly and accommodating. The school is always clean and welcoming. Newsletters are always very informative. On the plus side, the school prefects are lovely.
- Great school
- School is really good I am satisfied thank you
- Good school
- Well done!
- My kids doing very good in this school ❤️
- Good

- Better communication about events and changes to events
- Mostly it's ok
- Good environment
- Excellent
- Effective
- Teachers are nice
- I had a good experience of getting support from the family worker and Mrs Nisar. I was offered an 8 week course with Liberty. I feel more confident to manage my child's behaviour with this support. I can handle my children's matters much better. The school has also actioned any meetings I have had with the senior leaders immediately.
- Overall excellent
- Amazing headteacher and teachers
- Happy about the school and the teaching
- The school is doing well and with the passing of time, it will definitely improve its ratings
- Perfect

The following areas for improvement were suggested:

- **Need more before/after school activities and parent involvement days**

Please see above for the before and after school club offer. We are always keen to involve parents and have so far invited parents to year group meetings, parent consultations, phonics workshop for Reception parents and story time sessions for Reception. Each Year Group has planned trips and enrichment activities and we will invite parents to support these too. We will continue to find other ways to involve parents.

- **The school needs to open the big gate , particularly at the junior site as there is usually a bottle neck when exiting which can become quite dangerous**

A new electric entry system is being installed across the school during the second half of the Autumn Term. This will enable us to open the big gate at the junior site from the Spring term.

Thank you again for your time and your continued support. We appreciate your feedback.

Mrs R Nisar
Headteacher