

Dear Parents & Guardians,

On behalf of all the governors at St Joseph's, I would like to thank you all for taking part in the recent Parent Questionnaire. Regular feedback is very important to the school so that we can ensure we are on the right track in achieving our aims and goals, so we really appreciate you taking the time to provide your input.

Many of you provided comments on a range of areas and we can assure you that every one of them is read by the leadership team and governors. Some topic areas ultimately come down to the availability of funds, but all suggestions and ideas are considered and welcome.

When it comes to the children at our school, the three key questions that governors constantly keep at the forefront of everything are:

- Are the children happy at this school?
- Are the children safe at this school?
- Are all the children achieving the best they possibly can?

We were delighted to see in the questionnaire results that 100% of parents and guardians thought that their children were happy and safe at the school, that they were making good progress and that they would recommend this school to others.

The vast majority of people considered that the school listened to their needs and that where support was needed for children it was available.

When it comes to the provision of RE, 99% of people thought that the school provided good opportunities for children's development and were happy with the quality of RE delivered.

Whilst 98% of people believed that pupils are well behaved at the school, 92% thought that the school deals effectively with bullying, which means 8% don't think it is dealt with effectively. Children's well-being at school is of the highest importance to everyone and any case of bullying is taken seriously and acted upon appropriately. If any parent has any concerns over bullying, do please come in and talk to the school.

Satisfaction with school communications has increased thanks to the introduction of Parent Mail. This new system of communication has made the administration of events, notices, forms and updates much easier for parents and the school and it seems to have gone down very well with parents with 99% saying they were happy.

Looking at all the responses we received, together with the suggestions and many very kind comments about the school, governors were very happy and encouraged with the results of the questionnaire. We feel this is a true reflection of the hard work that goes on in and around the school and the governors would like to thank Mrs Dunlop, Mrs Philpot and all their teaching staff as well as all the support staff in the school for all their efforts in making our school a great place to be for all the children.

Finally, on top of all the valuable feedback you have given us, governors would like to thank all the parents and guardians for your continued support to the school.

Paul Sutton
Chair of Governors