

PARENT/CARER QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS

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Parent/Carer Questionnaire January 2018 - Results

Thank you very much to those parents who responded to this questionnaire. We really appreciate the additional time some people have spent to voice their opinions and make constructive suggestions. As a result we have analysed the information and we are already working on the areas for improvement. During this year, I will be sharing with you, through our Newsletters, Twitter and soon to be rolled out – Class Dojo, our action points to address the issues some parents raised.

In total 56% (119 out of 311 children) of our parents returned their questionnaires, which I have been told is a huge improvement on previous years.

So on behalf of the staff, Governors and myself, thank you....
Results for each statement. Percentages do not always total 100% because of rounding. These results are from the **119 returned questionnaires, only.**

Statements

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree or disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
My child enjoys coming to school	60%	33%	4%	4%	
My child is safe at school	63%	32%	3%	2%	
The school understands and responds to my child's needs	34%	53%	10%	2%	1%
My child is taught well at school	39%	54%	7%		
My child is making good progress	44%	45%	9%	1%	
My child is encouraged to work hard and do their best	47%	46%	4%	3%	
My child receives an appropriate amount of homework for his/her age	29%	47%	14%	7%	2%
My child enjoys a stimulating range of extra-curricular activities	29%	31%	17%	13%	10%
The school communicates with me effectively about my child's progress	28%	50%	13%	10%	
The school communicates with me effectively about how to support my child's learning	30%	43%	14%	12%	1%
The school communicates with me effectively about school events and activities	41%	41%	6%	6%	6%
The school seeks my views and listens to my concerns	22%	37%	32%	8%	2%
There is a good standard of behaviour at St Georges	33%	47%	15%	5%	
The school deals with any incidents of bullying effectively	18%	25%	48%	7%	2%
The school is welcoming and there are opportunities to get involved	38%	44%	9%	5%	5%
I think the school is well led and managed	22%	40%	23%	9%	5%
My child gets on well with children from other backgrounds	72%	25%	3%	1%	
My child is encouraged to positively contribute to the wider community	39%	29%	30%	2%	1%
I would recommend St Georges School to another family	49%	36%	12%	2%	1%

KEY AREAS OF SUCCESS

- My child is safe at school

We were delighted that **95%** of you stated that you feel your child is safe at school. We are also looking into systems to continually improve the security of the school and we

have already introduced hi-vis jackets, at lunch and break-times, so that children can easily see members of staff if they need help. During this year we will continue raise the profile of anti-bullying within the school; including an e-safety workshop for parent/carers and provided key safety talks in assembly related to using the large equipment within the playgrounds. We recognize that keeping your children safe is one of our key responsibilities and we will continue to do everything possible to ensure that your children's time at St Georges is safe, positive and rewarding. The school is currently investigating external funds to support in the upkeep of the Pirate ship.

- My child enjoys coming to school

93% of you stated that your child enjoys coming to school and again this is something which we are extremely pleased with. We hope to improve the percentage of parents strongly agreeing with the statement at the next questionnaire.

- Pupils from different backgrounds get on well with each other

We were very pleased that **97%** of you felt that pupils from different backgrounds get on well with each other.

- My child is encouraged to work hard and do their best

93% of you stated that you felt the school encourages your child to do their best. However, we still need to improve regular and advanced communication with you to keep you updated on how they are doing in class. We are currently training the staff on how to use Class Dojo as a way of keeping you informed as things actually happen in class and improve communication between you and your child's teacher.

AREAS OF DEVELOPMENT

- The school sets an appropriate amount of homework

Inevitably, homework will continue to divide opinion amongst parents with some parents feeling there is too much and some parents feeling there is not enough. At Georges we try to strike a happy medium. We recognize that for most children homework can be a real challenge given other commitments and obstacles so we aim to provide a **better range of activities** which will be engaging, relevant and lasting the right amount of time. During the Summer Term, the staff and I will be reviewing our homework policy to see whether we can make any further positive changes. We will also be introducing some homework club drop-ins during the week supported by members of the school.

- The school is encouraging my child to contribute towards the wider community

30% of you that stated you did not know whether the above was true or not, so this year we are going to continue to make sure that you are better informed of what the children do to

support the wider community. We need to celebrate and share more with you. Therefore it would be difficult and time consuming to keep this updated with items to celebrate and inform.

- My child enjoys a stimulating range of extra-curricular activities

Only 60% felt this statement was true. We will be introducing a larger range of after school activities after school ranging from sports and art. The Governors and I will be discussing your comments about St Georges running its own 'After School Club'. I will keep you informed as this progresses.

PARENTAL COMMENTS

We have received an unprecedented number of individual comments about the school, which are always useful. There are many comments which the school can deal with quickly for example – *If it's raining heavily will now open the gates from 8:30, and parents are welcome to wait under their class shelters but please remain with you child until 8:40 when staff are on duty. The large puddle in the playground is being dealt with; Parents of the children being celebrated on a Friday are invited to join us; We have a consistent behaviour management system across the school (traffic lights see previous letter) which also celebrates those children who are constantly on Green; Twitter has been set up to help improve communication; we have employed 3 new members of the support team, starting after ½ term to support the children in their learning; new teacher resources have been purchased to Year 6 have free access to SAT revision books to support their learning at home; . All comments will be carefully considered as we set our school improvement priorities for 2016 - 2017.*

If you have any further comments or suggestions to make, then please do not hesitate to contact either myself, one of the school's leadership team or a parent governor.

Best wishes and thank you for your continual support.

Chris Partridge