

St Thomas á Becket Church of England Federation

Blackboys CE Primary School

Parent Questionnaire Results February 2017 (47 responses)

2016: (% in brackets where relevant) (31 Responses)



	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Not Applicable
My child enjoys coming to school.	83% (93%)	17% (7%)				
My child is safe at school.	91% (82%)	9% (14%)				
The school understands and responds to my child's needs.	72% (64%)	28% (36%)				
My child is taught well at school.	89% (96%)	11% (4%)				
My child is making good progress.	57% (82%)	43% (18%)				
My child is encouraged to work hard and do their best.	87% (89%)	13% (11%)				
With the implementation of "Homework Menus", my child receives an appropriate amount of homework for his/her age.	40% (50%)	26% (42%)	22% (4%)	6% (4%)	6%	
My child enjoys an improved range of extra-curricular activities.	60% (50%)	26% (43%)	6% (7%)			8%
The school, through parents' evening, class planning meetings and written reports, communicates with me effectively about my child's progress.	68% (71%)	30% (29%)	2%			
Report cards at Parents' evenings help to remind me of what my child does well and what they need to develop further.	55%	45%				
The school, through the website, newsletter, emails and text alerts, communicates with me effectively about school events and activities.	81% (79%)	19% (21%)				
The Parent Workshops organised by the Federation have helped me support my child's learning.	62%	26%	10%			2%
It would be a good idea to create an official school Facebook page.	15%	17%	49%	11%	8%	
The school seeks my views and listens to my concerns.	47% (50%)	49% (46%)	2% (4%)	2%		
Any concerns I have had in the past year have been well handled.	57% (52%)	28% (40%)	6% (8%)			9%
I understand more about the responsibilities of the Governors through their column in the newsletter.	32% (32%)	43% (49%)	23% (19%)		2%	
I know how to contact the Governors if I need to.	34% (29%)	51% (54%)	6% (19%)	6%	3%	
There is a good standard of behaviour at Blackboys School.	81% (82%)	19% (18%)				
Should there be any, the school deals with incidents of poor behaviour effectively.	60% (48%)	30% (41%)	10% (11%)			
The school is welcoming and there are opportunities to get involved.	81% (82%)	19% (18%)				
The school is well led and managed.	87% (93%)	13% (7%)				
I support PTA events.	49%	36%	11%			4%
The Federation with Framfield School has created positive experiences for my child.	43% (36%)	36% (39%)	21% (25%)			
I would recommend Blackboys School to another family.	98% (96%)	2% (4%)				

It was fantastic to have so many more parents engage with the questionnaire this year. It is a huge help to have the views of the parent body. These are extremely positive results and are broadly in line with last year's (Strongly agree and agree responses combined).

We are delighted by the increase of "strongly agree" responses to the 'child safety' question. This shows the continued impact of the gate/intercom system and vigilance of staff. We are also pleased to see the "strongly agree" responses increase in 'Extra-Curricular Activities' (we currently have the widest range of opportunities ever!) and 'Responding to Children's Needs' (recognising the excellent work of Mrs Levey, our SENCO, our school counsellor Mrs Judith Clarke and the impact of our February INSET Day).

Core questions (enjoys; well taught; behaviour; well managed and recommend) continue to have 100% agreement (either strongly or agree). This is pleasing, however when focussing on the "Strongly Agree" responses there has been a minor drop in 'Enjoying coming to school' and 'Taught well'. This strengthens the resolve of the school community to ensure that Blackboys has a vibrant learning atmosphere, where children enjoy and engage with their lessons. It is also noted a drop in 'Making progress'. The implementation of the new curriculum, with its tougher expectations, has had an impact. That said, this area will be focussed upon in the 2017/18 School Development Plan.

If you have any further comments about the questionnaire, or wish to share ideas about school improvement, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs King or Mr Sullivan via the school office.