

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you very much for taking time to fill in our school questionnaire. It is extremely important that you and your child feel happy about being part of Oakley Cross.

51 questionnaires were returned in total, which is a fantastic response, thank you. Overall the results were very positive and have provided valuable feedback for us to use in planning future developments. Where there is a 'missing' percentage it relates to those answers of 'don't know' or no answer was given.

1. My child is happy at Oakley Cross School – 100% agreed or strongly agreed
2. My child feels safe at this school – 96% agreed or strongly agreed (2% disagree)
3. My child is making good progress at this school – 100% agreed or strongly agreed
4. My child is well looked after at Oakley Cross – 98% agreed or strongly agreed
5. My child is taught well at this school – 98% agreed or strongly agreed (1% disagree)
6. My child receives appropriate homework for their age – 82% agreed or strongly agreed (4% disagree, 14% did not respond to this question)
7. Oakley Cross makes sure its pupils are well behaved – 96% agreed or strongly agreed (2% disagree)
8. This school deals effectively with bullying – 65% agreed or strongly agreed (8% disagree, 27% did not know or did not respond)
9. This school is well led and managed – 94% agreed or strongly agreed (2% disagree)
10. The school responds well to concerns I raise – 94% agreed or strongly agreed (2% disagree)
11. I receive valuable information about my child's progress – 96% agreed or strongly agreed (2% disagree)
12. I would recommend Oakley Cross School to another parent – 100% would

Your comments and suggestions are very important to us and we will look into how some of your ideas could be built into our future practice.

A number of you commented on having had no experience of bullying which I hope can be seen as a positive reflection on the school. We have worked incredibly hard to develop our Rights Respecting ethos in school and have actively tackled discrimination and intolerance through our work in school and whole school assemblies. We have trained a confident group of Playground Guardians who support positive play at break times, will encourage children to play together and will help to sort out minor disputes on the playground. Our children are very proactive and take their responsibilities as Guardians very seriously.

A number of people who did not respond to the homework question also said their child was in nursery so this was expected. Some other common themes have been identified:

A number of parents commented on the staff being very helpful, friendly and approachable both in Nursery and in school. You feel they listen to your comments, concerns and queries and are quick to respond. "Oakley Cross is a very well led school and always addresses any issues that are raised. All staff are very approachable and easy to talk to. Top school." There were a couple of comments about parents being happy with school, happy to recommend to others and children making good progress. "It is apparent that the teaching is fantastic and makes her want to learn more." Some of you commented on our treat days and how you appreciate the children being rewarded for good work and behaviour.

A few parents commented on how you are kept well informed of what is going on both in and out of school and I hope our newsletters, Facebook page and website help with this. One person did comment that more than one week's notice was needed of events to allow time of work to be arranged. Whilst we do try to give advanced warning of as many events as possible, particularly via the diary dates on our newsletter, sometimes things do 'pop up' last minute. I will try to ensure we give as much notice as possible but can only apologise for those last minute events.

There were one or two comments from parents regarding bullying not being appropriately dealt with and children becoming upset over homework. We really want your children to be happy in school and to have the best education possible. If you did disagree with any of the statements in our questionnaire and would like to discuss your concerns with a member of staff, please contact the school to arrange an appointment.

I am really pleased with the overall feedback you provided and that we have so many happy children and parents. I am looking forward to our on-going partnership to ensure we provide the best education and support for all of the children at Oakley Cross.

Regards,

Rachel Brannan