

Bethany School Parent Survey - February 2022

Bethany school conducted a survey of all our parents. All parents on the school mailing list were sent the survey link and fifty five parents took part in the survey. The full results have been shared with Governors, staff team and parents. Here is a summary of the survey's findings with our response.

My child is happy at this school	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know	
Parents responses	61.8	34.5	3.6	0.0	0.0	
School response	Obviously we want all the children in our care to enjoy school, and it is encouraging to hear that 96% of parents think their children do enjoy their time at Bethany school.					
My child feels safe at this school	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know	
Parents responses	70.9	27.3	1.8	0.0	0.0	
School response	All children in our care need to feel safe and protected. 98.2% of parents answered that their child feels safe at school, obviously we would have liked this to be 100%. Please come and talk to us if your child does not feel safe for whatever reason.					
The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know	
Parents responses	46.3	46.3	5.6	0.0	1.9	
School response	We are very proud of the excellent behaviour of children in our school, and it is encouraging that 92.6% of our parents are happy with the behaviour of the children. Our teaching and learning governor recently completed a learning walk around the school and found the pupils to be 'well behaved and fully engaged...' throughout the school.					
My child has been bullied and the school dealt with the bullying quickly and effectively	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know	My child has not been bullied
Parents responses	1.9	11.1	5.6	0.0	7.4	74.1
School response	We are thankful that bullying is a rare occurrence at Bethany School, and that where it has occurred the majority of parents feel that we have dealt with the incident effectively. We acknowledge that we have not always resolved issues to all parents' satisfaction.					
The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year.	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know	
Parents responses	52.7	36.4	7.3	1.8	1.8	
School response	We endeavour to make parents aware of what their children are learning each term, by means of class newsletters and a curriculum session each term at the parents' meetings. We are planning to improve on this by means of a whole school newsletter each term reporting on the curriculum across the school.					
When I have raised concerns with the school they have been dealt with properly.	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know	I have not raised any concerns
Parents responses	36.4	40.0	5.5	0.0	0.0	18.2
School response	It is encouraging that 93% of parents who have raised concerns feel they have					

	been dealt with properly.					
Does your child have special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND)?	Yes	No				
Parents responses	23.6	76.4				
School response						
If yes, how strongly do you agree with this statement: 'My child has SEND, and the school gives them the support they need to succeed.'	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know	
Parents responses	23.1	38.5	15.4	7.7	15.4	
School response	We have recently appointed a new SENDCo after a period without one and have highlighted the issue of SEND provision on our School Improvement Plan.					
The school has high expectations for my child.	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know	
Parents responses	29.1	41.8	14.5	3.6	10.9	
School response	We believe that we have high expectations for all the children in our care, in terms of both their character and academic development. Although 71% of our parents think that we have high expectations for their children, we are concerned by the sizable minority who don't agree or who don't know. In terms of academic expectations we recently invited a teacher from another school to look at the work in books to moderate the level of challenge set, and the response has been that our expectations and level of challenge are very good.					
My child does well at this school.	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know	
Parents responses	47.3	34.5	5.5	3.6	9.1	
School response	We are encouraged that the response to this question is more positive than the one above, with 82% thinking their children are doing well. Obviously we would like this percentage to be 100%.					
The school lets me know how my child is doing.	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know	
Parents responses	40.0	40.0	18.2	1.8	0.0	
School response	It is important that we communicate with parents on how their children are doing. While 80% have said that we do let you know how your child is doing, we see this as an area for development and wish to improve on that. The 'norms reports' will be going out to parents on 4th March and we encourage all parents to book an appointment with their child's teacher at this point to discuss their progress.					
There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school.	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know	
Parents responses	30.9	47.3	10.9	3.6	7.3	
School response	Bethany School is a small school with certain limitations on its curriculum in terms of space, facilities and GCSE options. However we believe that Bethany offers a very broad and balanced curriculum with all the main subject areas covered.					

	Please see the school website for details of our curriculum.					
My child can take part in clubs and activities at this school.	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know	
Parents responses	16.4	58.2	12.7	1.8	10.9	
School response	As a result of the recent pupil survey, which highlighted this issue, we have introduced a number of new lunch time activities, including 'board games club' and a choir. Both have been well attended. Cross country club every Friday is also very well attended. We have asked children's views on further clubs that they would like to see established.					
The school supports my child's wider personal development.	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know	
Parents responses	54.5	38.2	1.8	0.0	5.5	
School response	We are encouraged that 93% of parents believe that we support their child's wider personal development.					
I would recommend this school to another parent.	Yes	No				
Parents responses	98.1	1.9				
School response						

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