



End of Term Parent Questionnaire – December 2011

THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO COMPLETE AND RETURN YOUR QUESTIONNAIRES!
HERE ARE THE RESULTS!

Question/Area for self-evaluation	1 Highly Satisfied	2 Good	3 Satisfied	4 Needs Improvement
My child likes school.	75%	25%	-	-
The arrangements for settling in when my child started school were good.	63%	32%	-	4%
The school encourages children to care for each other and develop a sense of responsibility.	70%	25%	4%	-
My child is making good progress.	70%	21%	4%	4%
School is a friendly and welcoming place.	70%	28%	-	-
Children's behaviour is good.	53%	46%	-	-
The Parent's Evening interviews/appointments keep us well informed about our child/ren.	77%	18%	4%	-
I believe teachers give my child the help they need.	75%	15%	8%	-
Staff are approachable, accessible and helpful with questions or problems.	63%	35%	-	-
Staff expect my child to work hard and they set high standards.	67%	32%	-	-
The school is well run.	70%	25%	4%	-
Staff explain how I can help my child at home and provide appropriate homework.	53%	28%	18%	-
Staff encourage my child to become mature, independent and self-confident.	60%	39%	-	-
The school takes good care of my child.	75%	25%	-	-
The school keeps me well informed (through the Shuttle, website, Information Station, letters, meetings, phone calls and texting/emailing service) Communication is good.	67%	11%	15%	4%
The prospectus available to parents is useful and informative.	49%	8%	4%	-
The school provides good facilities both indoors and outdoors (allotment, Nature Garden, Hens, etc)	77%	15%	4%	-

What has been the best thing about this term year? YOUR RESPONSES.

My son's class teacher has been the best thing about this term. An outstanding teacher who works exceptionally hard for all the children in his care. He turns children on to education.

The transition to new classes was smooth and my child settled well. The children are aware of the systems for discipline and respond well to it.

All of my children are enjoying school. When my oldest had problems his class teacher and teaching assistant really helped and cared. My middle child is coming on in leaps and bounds and I feel this is due to his new teacher. Carry on with the good work.

Helping and supporting my child settle in to life at school has been fantastic and support given when my child was struggling was brilliant – thank you. The buddy system was lovely too – how the older ones care for the younger ones is lovely to see.

I believe having reception children in class 1 gives them the best possible start.

Parent's evening in school are much improved.

We have been happy with the way our child has settled at school and the way her teachers encourage her to do well.

Seeing how quickly my child has developed. Building a relationship with the teachers/school to support my child's learning.

Harvest festival was fabulous....really impressed with how much work goes into these events! Really appreciate the invitation in to class...this has helped see how children are taught and how we can support learning at home.

Young Voices was fantastic.

Christmas activities.

Young Voices and Kingswood – in our opinion enrichment has been the best thing.

Making our daughter enthusiastic about going to school. We feel she has had a really good start to her education and appreciate all the staff have done this term.

We could not have wished for a better start to our son's school life. He is excited and enthusiastic about his day at school each and every day and has thoroughly enjoyed all the activities he has participated in. Transition events were all excellent and ensured a calm and stress free time was enjoyed by all (parents included) We always feel well informed both in terms of events at school and our sons progress. Staff are all approachable and welcoming and thanks to them for helping our son feel a valued part of your lovely school.

Young Voices was a wonderful Christmas Concert. It was a real credit to the teachers and a beautiful memory.

I am really pleased with how well my daughter has settled in to school – she is making great progress. However I am delighted with the progress my son has made this academic year – he has never been so happy to come to school!

All of it! Loved all the concerts – keep up the good work!

Communication is very effective – a lot of effort is clearly put in to making sure parents feel involved and kept up to date about what goes on in school.

The fun and engaging way teachers teach topics and lessons.

Singing/Young Voices; Golden Time...Everything!

The two new teachers are an asset to the school.

Do you have any ideas for the future? YOUR RESPONSES IN SUMMARY.

More sessions in class to help parents support learning at home.

Sometimes text messages come at the last minute and communication can be short notice.(e.g. Govs surgery and things for class)

More notice when a child has a Special Mention.

Someone available in the office from 8.30am to collect forms etc

Homework issues – could parents have a note to explain what needs to be done and could homework be written in the book each week so parents know what their child needs to do and by when. Frequency of homework.

A concern was raised regarding whether the amount of effort put into Young Voices has a detrimental effect on the quality of the Christmas Concerts in school (please see attached survey feedback)

Thank you for your constructive thoughts and ideas!

We are unable to give any additional notice regarding Special Mentions assembly as we need to base our choice of child on as much of the week in school as possible – this was explained to parents when the invitation of parents to the assembly was first introduced.

We are proud of the methods and effectiveness of communication here in school and are happy to see that many of you agree that we're doing a really good job. The texting service should not be relied upon as a primary means of communication; the service was introduced to complement existing methods of communication and as a means of providing parents with last minute prompts, reminders or emergency/short notice information. We will however make extra effort to ensure that you are given as much notice as possible particularly if asked to provide things for class.

The Shuttle, (which has an extensive list of diary dates, such as Governors surgery, provided weeks in advance of event), is distributed to parents on a weekly basis (many primary schools only provide such information on a half termly/termly basis) It is very important that you read the Shuttle so you remain up to date about what's going on in school.

Thank you for your suggestions regarding homework. Concerns regarding homework will be discussed with the whole teaching team and if we can make effective changes we will do so.

We would love to be able to employ someone to man the office from 8.30am but unfortunately our spending priorities lie elsewhere at the present time.

Please see attached sheet for a summary of the Christmas Concert/Young Voices survey.