

Brookfield Primary School

Parent / Carers Survey Results – June 2018



	Strongly Agree %	Agree %	Disagree %	Strongly Disagree %	Don't Know
My child enjoys coming to school	55.2	40.0	0.6	1.8	2.4
My child is safe at school	50.6	42.8	1.8	1.8	3.0
The school understands and responds to my child's needs	29.1	55.2	7.3	3.6	4.8
My child is taught well at school	39.8	53.0	2.4	1.8	3.0
My child is making good progress	35.6	56.0	2.4	2.4	3.6
My child is encouraged to work hard and do their best	37.4	50.6	2.4	3.0	6.6
My child is encouraged to persevere and collaborate with others	37.6	49.7	0	2.4	10.3
My child receives an appropriate amount of homework for his/her age	23.9	53.4	14.7	2.4	5.5
My child enjoys a stimulating range of extra curricular activities	40.4	43.4	9.0	1.8	5.4
The school communicates with me effectively about my child's progress	21.8	59.5	12.1	3.0	3.6
The school communicates with me effectively about how to support my child's learning	24.1	57.8	12.7	3.0	2.4
The school communicates with me effectively about school events and activities	33.7	58.3	4.4	2.4	1.2
The school seeks my views and listens to my concerns	20.6	53.3	12.2	5.4	8.5
There is a good standard of behaviour at Brookfield	34.3	53.1	3.0	3.6	6.0
The school deals with any incidents of bullying effectively	16.5	37.8	6.7	4.3	34.7
The school is welcoming and there are opportunities to get involved	50.0	39.6	2.4	3.7	4.3
I think the school is well led and managed	34.9	45.8	6.0	4.8	8.5
My child is encouraged to lead a healthy lifestyle	36.1	46.5	4.2	3.0	10.2
My child gets on well with children from other backgrounds	53.6	40.4	0.6	1.8	3.6
My child is encouraged to learn about rights and engage in Rights Respecting behaviour	48.2	42.8	1.2	2.4	5.4
My child is encouraged to positively contribute to the wider community	34.3	42.2	3.0	3.0	17.5
I would recommend Brookfield to another family	56.0	33.8	0.6	4.2	5.4

Thank you so much to the 166 parents/carers who completed the survey – our highest response rate ever! We think the use of twitter, text and ipads all contributed towards this year's increased engagement and we are delighted that more people than ever before took part. This has been a particularly challenging year for us in light of last year's restructure and we are extremely grateful for the way the school community has rallied together to maintain our positive community spirit and sense of momentum. This was clearly evident in the school's OFSTED report, Jumanji Week and our first ever Brookfield Auction.

Areas of success arising from this year's survey

- **My child enjoys coming to school**

95% of you stated that your child enjoyed coming to school – the highest percentage in 5 years. We are delighted that children feel so positive about attending Brookfield and deeply indebted to the staff governors and parent body for their unwavering commitment to making Brookfield such a brilliant school.

My child is making good progress

We received our highest percentage for this statement in 5 years – 92%. The children and staff work exceptionally hard to ensure that children make better than expected progress, as evidenced through data, book looks and lesson observations. Each term, we hold Pupil Progress Reviews with staff and SLT to reflect on individual progress and this allows us to reflect on how children are doing, particularly in reading, writing and maths and to identify any barriers to learning and next steps.

- **The quality of teaching is good**

The percentage of parents/carers who rated this highly, was very encouraging – 93%. The school is constantly looking for new and exciting ways to improve the quality of teaching and learning. This year, we have focussed on developing innovative practice in writing. Exciting ideas have been trialled in lessons, a writing week and workshops. Some of these ideas will be shared on the school's web-site as part of a wider case study. As one parent wrote, 'I love the variety of things the children get involved in. This is down to individual teachers (snails in the classroom, growing vegetables etc) as well as wider whole school initiatives e.g. the Shakespeare workshops.'

- **My child is kept safe in school**

We were all reassured to hear that over 93% of you thought that we were keeping your child safe at school. This year, we have strengthened site security through soft starts in both playground, increasing the number of adults on the school gates, installing a new front door entry system and dealing successfully with a malicious bomb hoax. Next year, we are also going to strengthen internal security measures by upgrading the locks on classroom doors.

Areas for development arising from this year's survey

- **The school is encouraging my child to lead a healthy lifestyle**

This year we have been reviewing our whole school food policy and plan to make further changes to school dinners – including offering parents the opportunity to sample school meals in September and providing additional international options during Black History Month and in the run up to next year's International Evening. Haseeb and Aaron will continue to provide lots of inspiring opportunities to promote physical fitness and we will be trialling new resources and ideas, linked to challenging gender stereotypes and Sex and Relationships Education.

- **My child enjoys a stimulating range of activities beyond the curriculum**

This year, we saw a slight drop in an area which Brookfield has traditionally scored highly. Naturally, with a reduction in staff, our capacity to run clubs and trips has diminished and we are particularly grateful to all those people who support the extra - curricular provision at Brookfield. At present we are reviewing trips, workshops and clubs for next year and grateful for the additional money which the PTA has provided, courtesy of the auction. If you, or somebody else you know, has an area of expertise which could be shared with the children, please contact Sophie in the office. We would love you to hear from you.

- **The school seeks my views and listens to my concerns**

Whilst we are aware that opportunities do exist to seek the views and listen to the concerns of parents/carers through governor drop ins, meetings with staff, annual surveys etc, this coming year, we will be reviewing the school's vision and values and see this as a great opportunity to engage with the parent body in a particularly meaningful way. This will be taking place in January 2019.

Previous Priorities

As a school we have worked hard to address issues arising from last year's survey. 'The school communicates with me effectively about how to support my child's learning and progress', remains a key priority and the school will continue to build on new ideas introduced this year e.g. the Brookfield Blog and increasing the number and range of workshops provided.

Parental Comments

Once again, we received lots of written feedback - both positive and constructive. There was real consensus around the school's strengths, with particular praise for its positive ethos, community spirit, the wider curriculum and the high standard of teaching and learning.

As one parent commented, 'The school is excellent in putting the needs and welfare of our children first. I like its ethos, values and beliefs system which the kids incorporate into their daily school life. Kids are prioritised in everything they do.'

Whilst the survey indicated some initial concerns around the KS1 Soft Start and subsequent reduction in face to face contact between parents and teachers, the vast majority of parents/carers felt it had been a positive development, particularly in relation to promoting independence and additional learning time. With regards to next year's Y1, the school will be taking a more phased approach to supporting their transition at the start of the year.

Particular areas for improvement raised through the parent comments, related to providing more advanced notice of key events and activities, increasing the range of extra - curricular activities and being better informed regarding academic progress. This will feed into further discussions with staff and governors.

We are extremely grateful for the ongoing positive feedback which we have received this year and for the generous way that many of you have continued to support the school e.g. through the PTA, becoming a Brookfield volunteer or supporting class trips and workshops.

If you have any further comments or suggestions to make, then please contact me, a member of SLT or one of the parent governors. We'd love to hear from you.

Best wishes

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(Headteacher)