



# St. Mary's CE Primary School

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Dear Parents,

## **RESULTS - NFER PARENT SURVEY 2017**

Firstly, thank you to all the parents that took the time to complete our NFER 2017 Parent Survey at the end of last year. In total we had 62 responses representing a 42% response rate. If you would like to view the full results, please contact the school office and they will happily provide you with a paper copy or alternatively you can find further information on the school website.

The Senior Leadership Team (SLT) and Governors have been analysing the results and can now share with you the key strengths of the school and the key areas for improvement identified by the parents who responded to the survey. We hope you find the information useful and are clear about the actions we are going to take to continue to improve your child's education in the future.

### **Key Strengths**

**(Where 90% or more of parents/carers strongly agree or agree)**

| Question  | Strongly agree/agree |
|---|----------------------|
| The school provides a safe environment for my child                     | 98%                  |
| The school looks after my child   | 96%                  |
| The school encourages my child to work hard                             | 94%                  |
| The school encourages my child to treat others with respect and dignity | 94%                  |
| My child was well supported by the school when they first joined        | 94%                  |
| I am satisfied with the school's pastoral care                          | 94%                  |
| I am satisfied with the school's curriculum                             | 93%                  |
| I am satisfied with the school's teachers                               | 93%                  |
| My child is happy at school   | 92%                  |
| I am happy with the school's behaviour and discipline                   | 91%                  |
| Overall I am happy with my child's school                               | 91%                  |
| The school's senior leaders do a good job                               | 90%                  |

It is incredibly encouraging that parents largely agree that the school is performing well in fundamentally important areas that are key to the aims and ethos of the school. We are delighted that parents share our view that children at St. Mary's are happy, safe and receiving a stimulating and well balanced education from dedicated staff.

This is wonderful news and is testament both to the hard work of the staff at school and to you for your continuing support.

### **Key Areas for Improvement**

**(Where 10% or more parents/carers strongly disagreed or disagreed)**

At St. Mary's we aim to continually strive to improve our school and we take parental views very seriously. The main areas for improvement are listed below with the school's action plan for 2017-18.

|  | Strongly disagree/disagree          |
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| <p><b>My child is given too much homework</b></p> <p><b>The school's approaches to homework are effective</b></p> <p><b>Actions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Take further parent feedback to ascertain the preferred amount of homework - too much or too little?</li> <li>• Review policy based on parent/pupil further feedback</li> <li>• Share new policy with parents</li> <li>• Ensure homework is consistently set across the school with clear</li> </ul> | <p><b>66%</b></p> <p><b>11%</b></p> |

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| <p>expectations set at the start of the year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Staff Meeting focus on Effective Homework and up to date research</li> <li>• Closer monitoring of homework and its effectiveness by SLT</li> <li>• Regular feedback gained from parents in via PACT system /parent meetings etc.</li> </ul> <p>POINT OF CONTACT – Wendy Livingstone/ Class Teachers</p>  |                                  |
| <p><b>The school provides a range of out of hours clubs and activities<br/>I am satisfied with the schools out of hours clubs</b></p> <p><b>Actions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Half Termly audit of club provision to ensure variety and offer is the best it can be with the resources/space we have.</li> <li>• Club timetable published on website every term</li> <li>• SLT to observe clubs termly to ensure quality of provision</li> <li>• Review existing Putney Wrap Around Care provision for before and after school care</li> <li>• Survey pupils on club offer – what new clubs would they like that we could provide dependent on resources/space</li> <li>• Ensure all age groups/abilities are catered for across the year</li> <li>• Continue to sign post out of hour clubs outside school on the school website</li> </ul> <p>POINT OF CONTACT – Michelle Barham/ Club Providers</p> | <p><b>27%</b><br/><b>26%</b></p> |
| <p><b>The school provides a healthy dinner menu</b></p> <p><b>Actions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to ensure Caterlink ( our current catering company) have a Fresh Foods Policy, meet the Healthy Eating Standards and adhere to the Food in Schools Policy issued by DFE.</li> <li>• Lunch menu published on website</li> <li>• Track the number of children having school meals termly to ensure update is not decreasing</li> <li>• Further sampling opportunities made available to parents and pupils at some school events</li> <li>• Relaunch of pupil feedback opportunities – Rate my Lunch /Feedback forms in lunch hall</li> <li>• Caterlink to be invited to School Council Meeting to hear pupil views and suggestions</li> <li>• Governor visits to sample lunch menu and hear pupil feedback</li> </ul> <p>POINT OF CONTACT – Sue Abraham/Caterlink</p>                          | <p><b>20%</b></p>                |
| <p><b>The school encourages my child to exercise</b></p> <p><b>Actions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Specialist PE teaching to continue</li> <li>• Ensure statutory amount of time is given to PE in every class timetable</li> <li>• 5 A Day Fitness every morning in all classes</li> <li>• Training for playground supervisors in active play</li> <li>• Skipping Workshops organised for 2017/18</li> <li>• Y6 Play Leaders to be trained to deliver active play to younger children</li> <li>• Continued sporting opportunities/clubs in and out of school provided and enhanced e.g. Scooter Days/ Cycling Proficiency/Dance Workshops/Swimming (Y3)</li> <li>• Continue to promote Walk to School Week – maintain our current Gold Star Travel Award Standard</li> <li>• NSPCC sponsored workout event</li> </ul> <p>POINT OF CONTACT – George Ellis/ Class Teachers</p>                            | <p><b>10%</b></p>                |

*Schools always look such a busy place but we are never too busy to speak with you. If you have any comments, concerns or compliments throughout the year please do not wait for a survey to express them!*

*Your child's teacher is the first point of contact regarding any issues related to the classroom. Any member of the Senior Leadership Team is also available to meet with you - please contact via the school office or in the school playground where someone is on the gate every morning and afternoon. Our Chair of Governors, Mrs Sally McGeachie, is also very happy to be contacted via the governor email account found on the school website.*

*Your child's happiness is paramount to their success at school and is of the utmost importance to everyone who works at St. Mary's.*

*We will continue to aim to work together with parents 'to provide an education of the highest quality to enable every child to realise their potential within a nurturing Christian community.'*

*The staff and Governors value your opinion and are keen to use the results of this survey to recognise and celebrate our achievements in addition to identifying how to continually develop and improve the school. We will keep you updated on developments in the areas above.*

*Thank you once again for your support.*

**Amanda Bishop (Deputy Head)**