

Friday 9th June, 2017

Dear parents,

Results of Parent Survey May 2017

Thank you to all of you who responded to the parent survey issued in May. With 79% of families having completed it, we can use the data to support the forward planning of the school. Your feedback is invaluable and complements the feedback we receive via our daily interaction with you. I am always appreciative of this as it helps inform our planning and ensures we are working closely with you, so thank you for your time and effort in delivering this to us.

I am delighted to say that the vast majority of you have indicated that you are pleased with a significant proportion of what we are doing. You scored us over 80% in 20 of the 22 categories and over 90% in 16 of those 22 categories, and we're really pleased that your children enjoy coming to school and learning. We are really proud of all the children, as they have once again responded so superbly to the highest expectations and ambitious challenges during the course of this year.

We are really pleased that 100% of parents this year would recommend Deer Park School, an increase of 4% from 2016, and that 98% of parents are satisfied with the management and leadership of the school.

Strengths of Deer Park School

The parent community are very satisfied with school life at Deer Park School, with the majority of parents describing the school as a welcoming and caring environment with high standards and clear values.

There is a very clear sense of what most parents regard as the primary strengths of the school. The most common responses were:

- Excellent range of extra-curricular activities despite being on small temporary site
- The emphasis on nurturing pupils and the excellent pastoral care
- The high standards of behaviour by all children as well as being polite and self-confident
- An engaging and creative curriculum which challenges the pupils
- High quality staff and strong leadership team who are professional and approachable
- The H.E.A.R.T values and strong ethos of the school



The following table lists the questions which achieved the highest percentage of respondents who chose either Strongly Agree or Agree.

Question	% who strongly agree or agree
My child enjoys coming to school	94%
The school develops my child's independence and responsibility	99%
The school's values and attitudes have a positive impact on my child	94%
The school is welcoming and secure	97%
Children have opportunities to develop socially and emotionally	97%

Areas for Improvement

I really appreciate the time it took you to complete the survey and can assure you that responses to each question have been carefully reviewed. I have identified the following areas to consider for our School Development Plan next year and to continue to improve our educational offer:

- ❖ Security at the current site around the school gate at drop off/pick up
- ❖ Continue to maintain the high standard of education as the school grows into the new building
- ❖ Increasing the range of sports provision through the curriculum and after school

I hope that this is all good news. It comes as a direct result of your input for which I am grateful.

In the meantime, if you have any questions regarding the survey results, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With best wishes,

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