

We surveyed parents across a two-week period by inviting them to complete an online survey via www.surveymonkey.co.uk based on OFSTED-style parent survey questions. This approach generated a high number of responses and provides quantitative and qualitative data that is both immediately useful and will enable us to track parental views over time.

The Data

- 160 Responses
- Evenly split across years (30% Year 3, 27% Year 4, 31% Year 5, 23% Year 6)
- All respondents answered OFSTED-style multiple choice questions, 81% of respondents also gave qualitative feedback, in many cases providing a lot of detail.
- 35% of respondents gave their name/child's name while 65% preferred to remain anonymous.

Results

The results are a fantastic reflection of the exceptionally high-quality teaching and pastoral environment that the school provides for all pupils. Parental satisfaction with the school is extremely high.

- **99%** of respondents agree or strongly agree that **their child is happy** at BHJS
- **99%** agree or strongly agree that **their child feels safe** at this school
- **97%** agree or strongly agree that **their child makes good progress** at this school
- **99%** agree or strongly agree that **their child is well looked after** at this school
- **97%** agree or strongly agree that **their child is taught well** at this school
- **88%** agree or strongly agree that their child **received appropriate homework** for their age
- **93%** agree or strongly agree that **the school makes sure its pupils are well behaved**
- **58%** agree or strongly agree that **the school deals effectively with bullying** (37% don't know, 5% disagree)
- **99%** agree or strongly agree that **the school is well led and managed**
- **84%** agree or strongly agree that **the school responds well to any concerns I raise** (11% don't know, 5% disagree)
- **90%** agree or strongly agree that **they receive valuable information from the school about their child's progress**
- **99% would recommend this school to another parent.**

Homework –We know from previous surveys that parent views on the appropriateness of homework vary. Interestingly, this data indicates that parental views on homework change as children move through the school (88% of Year 3 parents agree/strongly agree that their child receives appropriate homework, this rises progressively to 95% in Year 6).

Bullying – This question generated the least positive responses. The high number of 'don't know' responses here indicate that there is little perceived bullying at the school. However, the school may want to consider promoting the school's Anti-Bullying Policy to parents to attempt to reduce the 'don't know' responses here.

Parental Comments

We asked parents about the strengths of the school as well as their views on what could be improved. Parental comments were hugely positive. Criticisms were phrased constructively.

The following ‘world clouds’ show 28 distinguishing* words or phrases that occur commonly in parents’ comments relating to both current strengths and future considerations, giving a flavour of the feedback received. *‘Distinguishing’ rather than high frequency, as determined by a SurveyMonkey algorithm

What are the strengths of the school? What do we do well and what should we continue to do in the future?

Progress Passion Lovely Recognised Engaging Effective
 Strong Leadership Attitude Arts Week Daily Mile Staff
 Core Subjects **Activities** Overall Learning
 Good Facilities **Teaching** Additional Teachers Consultations
 Individual Listen **Good Communication** Respect Kids Structured
 Safe Environment **Inclusive**

Parents commented particularly on the school’s strong leadership team, the quality of teaching, the availability of staff, the varied curriculum (with many specific mentions of themed learning weeks), the range of extra-curricular activities, high expectations for behaviour, and the caring and supportive environment.

What aspects of the school could be improved or should be considered for the future?

School Dinners Particular Excellent School Incidents Team Example
 Lunches Teaching School Clubs Missing Teacher Regular
 Parents Channels Children Blogs Child Kids Think
 Ensure **Secondary School** Government Sports Length Care Unable
 Home Learning **Budgets are Tight**

A broad range of topics were mentioned in parents’ comments in this section – often relating to an individual’s specific concerns about their child. Some common themes include school dinners, home learning, streaming for maths, managing children’s’ behaviour, and communication with parents.

Communication – Respondents commented extensively on the issue of communication – 7% of respondents who left qualitative feedback highlighted communication as a strength while 16% mentioned communication as a development area.