



Small School Big Ideas

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**Parent Questionnaire 2017**

First of all thank you to all who took the time to complete the questionnaire.

We have collated the responses and set out below a summary, together with an indication of actions to be taken in light of the views expressed.

Your responses have been discussed with the Governing Body and will be shared with staff.

In all, we received 29 completed questionnaires.

90% or more answered “Yes” to the following statements:

**My child is happy at school.**

**My child feels safe at school.**

**My child is well looked after.**

**My child is well taught.**

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>
<b>I receive valuable information about my child's progress</b>	83%	3%	14%
<b>My child makes good progress</b>	80%		20%
<b>My child receives appropriate homework</b>	76%	16%	8%
<b>School ensures good behaviour and deals effectively with bullying</b>	69%		31%
<b>School is well managed and responds well to concerns</b>	62%	10%	28%
<b>I would recommend Naburn School</b>	69%		31%

It was clear that a number of parents felt that information on the children's progress could be improved. This has been a particularly difficult issue this year due to the disappearance of National Curriculum levels, to which we all had finally become accustomed. New attainment and progress measures, together with new software to record them have taken time to get used to. Staff now feel much more confident about this software and we will provide parents with a guide to the new ways of tracking progress. We will also review our parents' evening schedules to try to ensure better timed consultation.

A few parents were uneasy about the increased emphasis on R.E. and collective worship. This emphasis was in response to the SIAMS report of 2012 which was critical of some aspects of this area of the curriculum and was very clear about the need to develop what we did in order to raise standards from “good” to “outstanding”. As you know this has now been achieved. We will of course take into account the views expressed and review how we adjust collective worship provision next year.

There were a number of concerns about the management of the school and the way communications were at times poor. There was some concern about the After School Club. The previous arrangements for After School Club have ended, and after a rigorous interviewing process we are delighted that from September the After School Club will be run by Juliette Pemberton. Juliette has worked for many years in the school, knows all our children well and has vast experience and great enthusiasm to bring to the club.

As regards more general management issues, these have been analysed and discussed by governors, and changes will be made and included in the School Development Plan for the coming year.

Finally, I should point out that the response on bullying is less alarming than the figure may suggest. Most of the “don’t knows” added the comment that they had no experience of their child being bullied so could not comment on the way bullying was dealt with. We will nevertheless review our approach to bullying and look to how we can improve further. We will also remind children of the “buddy bench” and encourage them to use it if they are feeling insecure or bullied.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Brenda Christison, Headteacher  
The Governing Body