



## Governing Body

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Dear Parent / Carer

### Parent Survey 2017

I'm writing on behalf of the Governing Body to give you the results of the online parent survey which we invited you to fill in at the end of last term. Thanks very much for sharing your views and giving us food for thought as we strive to maintain Upper Beeding as an outstanding school for your children.

This was the second year we used an online survey to gather opinions. The number of responses was similar to last year and the replies give us a good idea of how parents are feeling.

The year on year comparison shows the results are very positive once again.

Parents agreeing or strongly agreeing to the statements	2017	2016
My child is happy at this school	96%	98%
My child feels safe at this school	99%	90%
My child makes good progress at this school	95%	96%
My child is taught well at this school	97%	99%
My child is well looked after at this school	96%	98%
My child receives appropriate homework for their age	78%	75%
The school ensures the children are well behaved	94%	99%
The school deals effectively with unacceptable behaviour/bullying	91%	91%
The school responds well to any concern I raise	97%	94%
I am made to feel welcome when I come into school	96%	96%
I would feel comfortable about approaching the school with questions or problems	97%	95%
The school is led and managed effectively	96%	94%
I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress	95%	95%
Overall I am happy with my child's experience at this school	95%	95%
I would recommend this school to another parent	94%	95%



It's good to know that so many of you endorse the work that all the staff do to ensure that every child can reach their potential while having a stimulating, enjoyable and safe time here.

In each survey, we ask parents for any further comments. This year's comments are in line with those from previous years. There's plenty of glowing feedback and one or two concerns which are being reviewed and dealt with. It's always really valuable to hear everyone's views and we thank you for your openness!

*Both children love school and the teachers this year particularly have been superb.*

*My son started this school in September having previously been at another primary school for 2 years, but since being at this school he is a totally different child the school is amazing as are the staff.*

*This is an amazing school. Attending parents evening highlighted that the teachers really don't just teach, but get to understand how each child ticks on an individual level. Not only have both my children improved academically, but their confidence levels have too.*

*Cannot fault this school I think we are very, very lucky to have such a great, warm, happy and inclusive school!*

It was evident from the responses that some parents were concerned about homework. It's important to note that over three quarters of parents agree the level is appropriate, but some are worried about the pressure it puts on children and parents alike. Governors strongly believe that homework is an important way for children to develop independent learning and it helps parents keep in touch with their work too. The Head Teacher and staff are once again discussing the school's homework policy so that the workload is manageable and the expectations are clear. If you have a specific problem, please speak to your child's teacher in the first instance. There is a useful homework guide on the school's website. Other individual comments have been noted, discussed and action taken if necessary.

The governors will meet to discuss the survey at our next meeting but in my opinion the figures speak for themselves; another strong endorsement of the hard work of all the staff at the school. I think the annual survey is a really useful way of getting your feedback, but it's not the only way. If you have a particular issue, please raise it with the school and contact a governor if your problem is unresolved (our email address is at the top of this letter).

Thanks again for your input.

Best wishes for the Summer Term!

Neil Pringle  
Chair of Governors

