

Parent Survey Results July 2021

These are the results of the latest Parent Survey. We have also highlighted any action the school has taken or intends to take as a result of parents' comments.

We remain committed to working hard, as a team of staff and governors, to maintain the excellent existing aspects of the school. We also seek to gather your suggestions about how we can make our school an even greater place, where children can 'blossom and grow'.

	Question in summary	Agree	Mostly agree	Disagree	Head Teacher Response
1	High quality remote learning	81%	14%	5%	Over 95% of the feedback that we received at the time that remote learning was happening was highly positive. This figure does not quite match that. If parents have suggestions for improvements in this area, please let us know.
2	Supported the personal development & wellbeing of my child during the pandemic	92.2%	4.7%	3.1%	We are pleased with this response; the personal development and wellbeing of our children and staff is hugely important to us.
3	Settled back into school well, once it fully reopened to all year groups.	97%	3%	0%	A very pleasing results which reflects how we felt the children settled back in too.
4	My child is happy	96%	0.8%	3.1%	A very positive result for both questions. If you disagreed, please let us know then we can ensure your child feels happy and safe.
5	My child feels safe	98.4%	0%	1.6%	
6	My child is taught well	93.8%	0.8%	5.4%	A high proportion of our parents believe their child is taught well which is very pleasing.
7	The homework set is suitable and appropriate for my child.	87.6%	7.8%	4.7%	It is reassuring to see that the majority of our families agree that appropriate homework is set.
8	I feel I receive valuable information about my child's progress.	86.0%	10.1%	3.9%	The response to this question has improved by 4% since the previous survey.
9	Pupils are well behaved	92.2%	1.6%	6.2%	A 93.8% positive response, which we often have validated by external visitors and when out on trips. We are proud of children's conduct.
10	Bullying is dealt with	45.7% 33.5% not aware	17%	3.8%	This looks like a low figure for 'agree' however, many parents stated that they were not aware of any issues. We are unaware of any incidents that have not been dealt with and therefore would ask any parents who disagreed to get in touch.

11	My child knows who to speak to if they have a concern	89.9%	2.3%	7.8%	We would like ALL children to know who to speak to if they had a concern, therefore this is something we have been addressing in assemblies and in class, this half term.
12	My child knows how to stay safe on the internet at home and at school	77.5%	4.7%	17.8%	This figure is much lower than we would expect and therefore this is again something we will work on with the children and we will provide further information for our families.
13	Well led and managed	93.8%	1.6%	4.7%	A very positive response.
14	School responds to any concerns or feedback raised	90.7%	3.1%	6.2%	A pleasing and reassuring response. Any unresolved concerns can be brought to the Parent Forum or directly to me.
15	I am kept well informed of news and events	97.7%	1.6%	0.8%	We are proud to have 99.2% in agreement with this ^③ .
16	Would recommend the school to others	94.6%	1.6%	3.9%	One of the greatest compliments for a school is to be recommended to others; thank you for the high number of positive responses.

A Sample of the Positive Comments:

- We feel privileged to be part of the Cherry Tree community....
 absolutely loves learning and is excited to attend school each day.
 Thank you.
- We are SO lucky our children attend this wonderful school and are part
 of the Cherry Tree community and want to thank all the staff for their
 massive amount of hard work and support during this very challenging
 year.
- I can only speak as a parent of a Class F child but I think the school has
 performed amazingly during our daughter's first year. Our class
 teachers (Mrs Baines & Mrs Bolger) have been more than we could
 ever have hoped for. They are warm, kind, knowledgeable, engaged
 and clearly love working at Cherry Tree and with each other.... We
 could not be happier with our choice of school.
- Very pleased that we were allocated Cherry Tree after we moved. I
 wanted to mention that I really like the newsletters which feel very
 personal and not just full of dates and information. Makes you feel
 very involved.
- I think Cherry Tree is an excellent school. Both my children have made excellent progress at the school and enjoy being part of Cherry Tree. This is down to the staff who go the extra mile to ensure the children enjoy being in school and provide engaging lessons. The extra events that school has held this year such as the Easter Event and the Christmas Event have been absolutely brilliant. The children have been so excited to take part and still speak about them now. During a challenging year you have enable the children to create some wonderful, happy memories. Thank you!

Head Teacher response to comments:

Thank you for taking the time to pass on your positive feedback. Our team are passionate about their roles and always strive to deliver the best education and pastoral care possible; knowing that this is appreciated means the world to our staff.

A Sample of the Suggestions or Improvements:

I would recommend the school in terms of how they nurture the
wellbeing of children. Children are happy at the school and enjoy being
there which is very important. I do think however that there could be
more focus on the academic achievement of children to ensure that
they are supported to realise their full potential.

We do believe that there has always been a focus on helping each child to reach their potential, in addition to catering for their wellbeing. However, one of our school development targets for the coming year is:

To continue to raise standards in reading, writing and mathematics, including:

- A focus on the greater depth standard.
- Ensuring any remaining gaps in pupils' knowledge and skills, due to the pandemic, are successfully addressed.
- On the whole communication is good but sometimes it could be clearer. For example PE days changing a lot can cause confusion on the class WhatsApp group.

We took this feedback on board and feel this has been addressed now.

 When taking a packed lunch to school sometimes ... will bring part of his lunch home, stating that he only has five minutes to eat his meal.
 Please could you provide a little clarification around lunchtime, we understand the restrictions due to covid, but unsure of the current process. We feel the lunchtime issue has now been resolved.

As an additional comment, we feel that policy around PE kit should remain even after restrictions are lifted. The children will benefit so much from more time doing PE rather than the faff of changing clothes. It's such a better use of time for both children and staff, and also means PE kits are washed more regularly!! I am aware other schools are not doing similar and when I have mentioned the Cherry Tree way they were very complimentary.

We fully agree that wearing PE kits on the days the children have PE saves a lot of time and effort- this is working really well for us.

We love the new PE kits too- thank you to all parents for purchasing the new green kit over the summer- your children look fantastic!