



Richard Wakefield Governors' Newsletter

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Governor Update

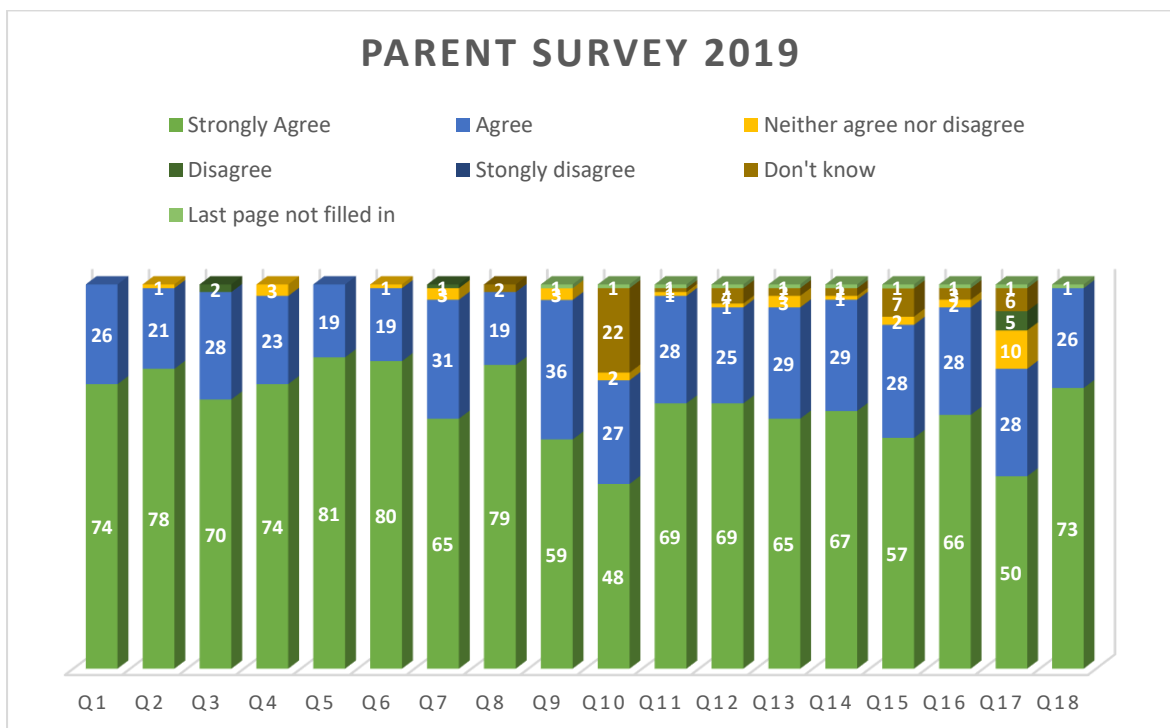
There have been a few changes with the local Governing Body over the last term. Firstly, we would like to express gratitude and thanks to Nicki Becker, who has stepped down from the governing body after 6 years of volunteering. She's been a great asset over the years and will be missed.

We have a new temporary chair of Governors, Mark Taylor, who is standing in until a new chair is recruited.

We have also appointed 2 new Governors, Dan Williams who has Faith in Reception and Ms L Peach a teacher from William Shrewsbury School.

Parent Questionnaire

The Governing Body would like to thank all parents who completed the questionnaire at the last parents evening and to all staff for helping us administer it. We would like to share with you the key results from the questionnaire, which was completed by 115 respondents (results shown as a percentage):



1 My child is happy at this school	11 This school is well led and managed
2 My child feels safe at school	12 The school responds well to any concerns I raise
3 My child makes good progress at school	13 The school communicates with me regularly and effectively about my child's progress
4 My child is motivated to work hard and learn at this school	14 The school provides a broad and balanced curriculum
5 My child is well looked after at school	15 The school provides a range of extra-curricular activities, which promote wider development.
6 My child is taught well at school	16 The school ensures the mental health and well-being of my child
7 My child receives age appropriate homework	17 I am aware of the values of the De Ferrers Trust and how our school has embraced these
8 My child is encouraged to work hard and do their best	18 I would recommend Richard Wakefield to other families
9 This school makes sure that its pupils are well behaved	
10 This school deals effectively with bullying	

As you can see from the results, as a whole, you see the school in a very positive light which is obviously very encouraging for both the staff and the Governors. A few key points to pick up on:

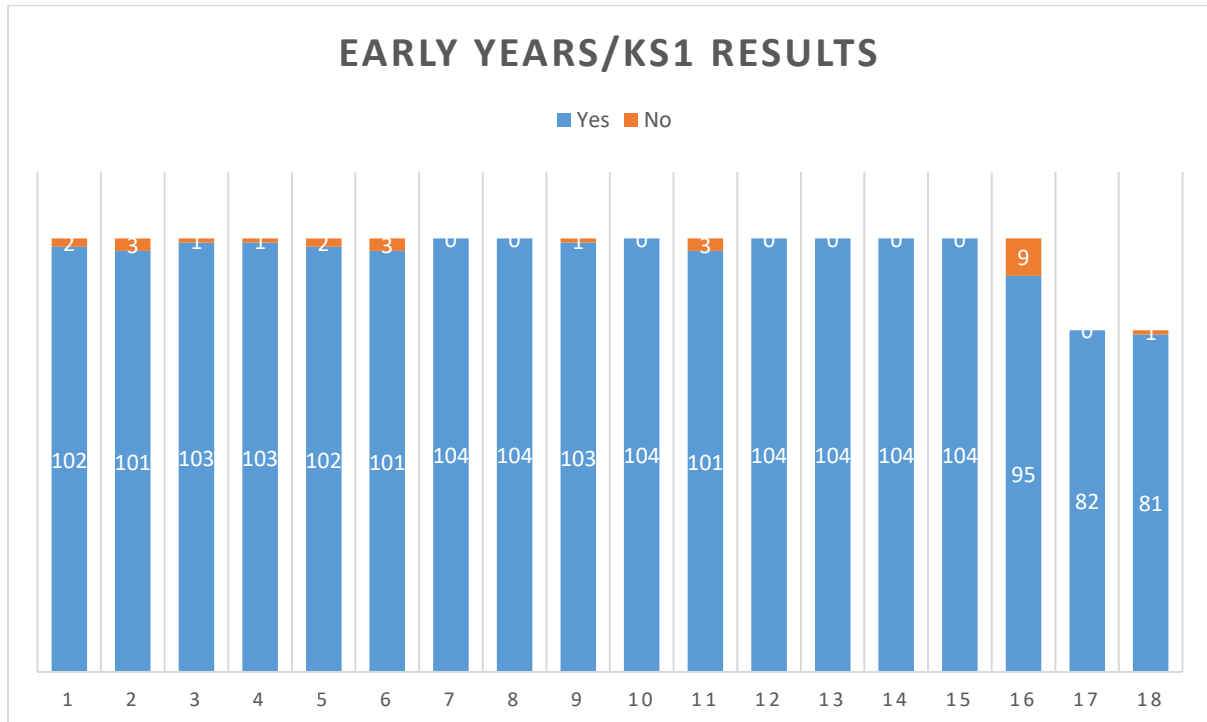
- Question number 10 with regard to bullying was often annotated with 'not seen any incidents so we can't comment', which again can be seen as very positive.
- Again, communication came up as a bit hit and miss with some people obviously noticing an improvement following on from feedback last year and other feeling that it can still be improved. Once again as a Governing body we will be working with the school to see what else can be done to improve this.
- It was noted by several parents of key stage 1 children that there was a lack of variety for after school clubs for their children. This will also be discussed at future meetings.

Overall though the questionnaire indicated that both pupils and parents feel happy with teaching within the school and the learning environment itself.

If you do have any further comments or suggestions then please do not hesitate to contact us.

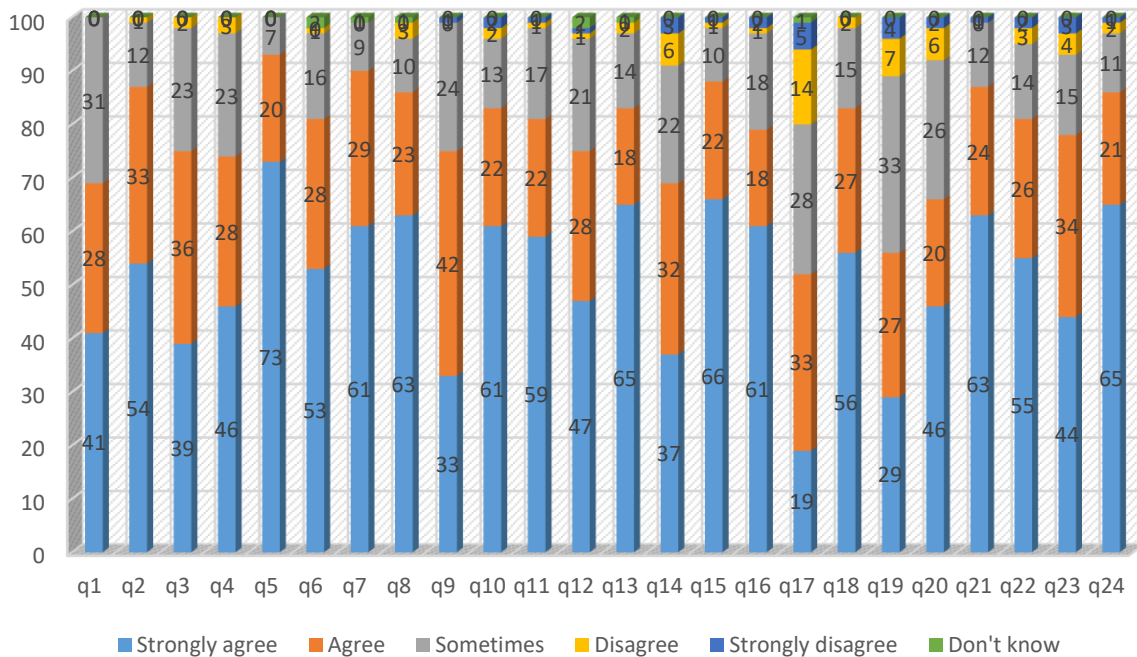
Pupil Questionnaire

We have also asked the children to complete a questionnaire about their experiences of school. This was completed in class time and the format was different across the age groups. The results are show below:



1. I like my school.
2. I enjoy coming to school.
3. I feel safe at school.
4. I have friends at school I can play with.
5. My teachers help everyone to behave well at school.
6. I know what to do if I have no-one to play with when I am at school.
7. Playtime is fun.
8. I learn about lots of new things at school.
9. I try to do my best with all of my work in lessons.
10. My teacher tells me if I am working hard.
11. I know what to do if I get stuck.
12. The teachers in my school are fair.
13. I can tell the teachers if someone has upset me.
14. I can talk to my teachers if I have a problem or if someone is unkind to me.
15. I like lunchtimes with my friends.
16. I like most of the school dinners we have.
17. I enjoy reading and using the school books and library.
18. I enjoy collective worship and going to church.

KS2 Pupil questionnaire results



1. Do you enjoy coming to school?
2. Do you enjoy finding out and learning about new things in school?
3. Are you enjoying the topics that you have covered in class this year?
4. Do you know what to do when you are stuck?
5. Are you expected to work hard and do your best in lessons?
6. Does your teacher help you to know whether you are doing well in school?
7. Do teachers show you how to make your work better?
8. Do your teachers expect all children in your class to behave?
9. Do you behave well for your teacher?
10. Is there an adult you can go to if you were worried at school?
11. Do you think the teachers in school are fair?
12. Do you get the chance in school to have responsibility?
13. Are you rewarded for your achievements?
14. Does the homework you are given help you with your learning?
15. Do you feel that school is a safe place?
16. Do you enjoy your playtimes?
17. Do you enjoy the dining room in school?
18. Do you value the work of the School Council?
19. Do you enjoy the collective worship times in school?
20. Do you use the monthly values to help you with your thinking and behaviour?
21. Are you able to try out lots of different sports in PE?
22. Are there many clubs in school for you to go to?
23. I use the school motto 'Aim high, Work with pride, Forever learn' to help me be the best I can be.
24. If I was asked, I would tell everyone that I go to a good school.

Both of these pupil questionnaires again show the school in a positive light. There are a few areas that will need to be looked at such as the school dining room and again this will be discussed more at future governor meetings.

Again, if you have any further comments then do please let us know.

Thankyou from the Governing Body

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank all staff and pupils for a successful school year. Well done to all those who had SATs this year, the results show the hard work that has been put in, you should be proud of yourselves!

The year 6 leavers production was also fantastic, again a credit to the school. Well done to all the year 6 staff and pupils. We wish all of our year 6 pupils well in their transition to secondary school.

Finally, we would like to wish all pupils a safe and enjoyable school holidays.