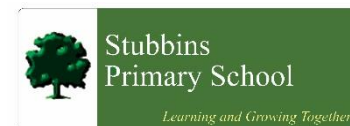


# Stubbins Primary School

## End of Year Parent/Carer Questionnaire

### July 2019



110 response sheets were returned.

Statement	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't Know
1. My child is happy at this school.	80%	20%	0%	0%	0%
2. My child feels safe at this school.	87%	13%	0%	0%	0%
3. My child makes good progress at this school.	73%	26%	1%	0%	0%
4. My child is well looked after at this school.	83%	17%	0%	0%	0%
5. My child is taught well at this school.	82%	18%	0%	0%	0%
6. My child receives appropriate homework for their age.	67%	28%	3%	0%	2%
7. This school makes sure its pupils are well behaved.	74%	23%	2%	0%	2%
8. This school deals effectively with bullying.	43%	25%	2%	0%	31%
9. This school is well led and managed.	66%	29%	2%	0%	31%
10. This school responds well to any concerns I raise.	67%	24%	1%	0%	9%
11. I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress.	67%	31%	1%	1%	0%
12. Would you recommend this school to another parent?	Yes (100%)		No (0%)		

#### Any other comments

#### Many positives...

- Thank you for all your hard work and providing a quality education for my children. You do a great job!
- My daughter has been very happy at Stubbins and is looking forward to her next steps to High School.
- Always been very happy at Stubbins School.
- Thank you for the support help and encouragement given to my child. He is very happy at school. Class teachers are positive and encouraging.
- The Christmas production is always monumental & sports day etc. are well run.
- Good SATs results are a reflection of the high standard of teaching my daughter has received.
- We are very happy with our daughter's progress, both emotionally and academically.
- I have always had nothing but support from members of staff at school. I would have no hesitation recommending Stubbins School.
- My child has really enjoyed the lessons & activities and made loads of progress.
- An excellent school where all children are encouraged to do the best they can in all areas of school life.
- We have always been happy with Stubbins School. Year one has been particularly successful – our child has enjoyed every moment and made excellent progress in both his strong and less-strong areas – thank you!
- Overall, I am very happy with my child's progress.
- Overall, my son has had an amazing experience at Stubbins for the past 7 years and is sad to leave. Thank you for the great 7 years.
- Teachers couldn't do any more to help our son. So compassionate and inclusive. Thank you!
- Thank you for all you do for our son – we're looking forward to our daughter starting in September!
- Not had to deal with any issues of bullying – feel it is dealt with before it becomes an issue.

- My children love their school a lot and are always happy to go and learn.
- My child came home and read the first statement and said 'Yes this child is happy at this school!' says it all! I would have selected 'strongly agree' for statement 2 but my child made some comments regarding it, which I took into account.
- My child has really enjoyed their first year thanks to the Reception staff. He has enjoyed lots of different themes and activities and he talks about it a lot! Thank you for your patience and all that you do!
- I have had some issues with some issues not being treated fairly, but I understand you can't always see everything and I know what is seen is dealt with appropriately.
- My child has loved attending Stubbins School. She has only been with you 1 ½ years but this has been a very positive experience for her.
- My child has thrived during her three years at Stubbins. Her confidence has grown and she looks forward to coming to school.
- Great school. Our children are very happy at Stubbins.
- I really appreciate the work that has gone in providing extra help for my son; he has really progressed in the last year.
- My children are very lucky to be at Stubbins – The care they receive is wonderful!
- I could not be happier with the support that my son has had this year. He has really improved socially and his confidence has really grown.
- Well run school. Lots of fun activities. My child enjoys being at Stubbins school and has made good progress. Sometimes a little too much homework but overall brilliant!
- My child started at Stubbins recently and has flourished. She has regained her confidence in her maths and is thriving. She has a smile on her face every morning and night and is happy. I find the work you set and the things you teach in lessons engaging and fun. I can't thank you all enough. Best decision we ever made. Looking forward to next term. My son has really enjoyed his first year in the juniors, thanks to his teacher. He has enjoyed the chance to play and try more sports this year and has loved representing his school. He has really enjoyed the different topics too, especially learning about the Romans and having an epic battle. Thank you for all that you do!
- My son has achieved a lot in year 3 and really developed in many ways. He is a credit to all who have taught him. Thank you!
- Only put 'don't know' for number 8 as we haven't experienced any bullying!
- The staff at Stubbins are fantastic and my children could not be happier.

#### **And areas to improve...**

- A report per term like the end of year report would be beneficial. Would like better security at the school gates. Children are not encouraged to drink enough water during the school day. We would like a reasonable focus on life skills. (gardening/cooking/money)
- It's not pleasant being a parent at this school at times. Parent communication is poor. I'm not primary contact and both parents should be primary contact.
- A little too much homework at times.
- School is still behind in terms of photographs being shared to parents taken in class, blogs not updated, no online payments. Assemblies not conducive to working parents at 2:45pm instead of 9:15am.
- It is preferable to have one teacher instead of two.
- We would like to see more music.
- We would love a more pastoral, non- curricular report.
- While we feel the school is effectively run, we feel little engagement from the leadership, from our first experience of the school, to date.
- Breakfast clubs would be great as there is only learning tree and one child minder outside school.
- I think the communication coming home about the children and what they have been up to could be more, e.g. I haven't seen any photos of their school trip or pictures of them playing outside, or just more of an update.
- Our child gives us very little information about her day – looking forward to an 'app' as a means of communication for both parents.
- There was little information given about my child's level of ability at both parents' evenings. More information about topics being studied would be helpful to aid home learning. My child was not awarded star of the week until it was mentioned at the end of June and there was no explanation why and I feel that this lack of recognition has contributed to his loss of confidence over the year.
- Unfortunately, my son has had issues regarding his behaviour this year. I'm not convinced it has always been dealt with in the best manner. I do believe most of the time it was just healthy boy behaviour, but the tolerance level for this was minimal at times.
- Year 1 learning Log has been very prescribed and not as open-ended – we have found this much harder as can't be led by child's interest and so not as keen to put time in to complete.
- I hear from more and more students that school dinners are not good.

## Headteacher's Response

I am generally extremely happy with the results of our parent questionnaire, with no more than 3% of parents disagreeing with any statement. Where there is a 'neutral' response, this is often because the parent has no experience with which to comment (for example they have no experience of bullying and so cannot comment on how the school deals with it.)

The highest 'disagree' responses were in the following categories:

- My child receives appropriate homework for their age. (3%)
- This school makes sure its pupils are well behaved. (2%)
- This school deals effectively with bullying. (2%)
- This school is well led and managed. (2%)

These were often linked and related to particular needs or situations.

Homework is always a contentious issue. Some people think there is too much; some people think Primary age children shouldn't get any homework at all! We do try to give a reasonable amount and to spread it out and give plenty of time for it to be completed. As children move up the school, the amount increases a little, but we do feel that this habit is a good preparation for secondary school.

Behaviour at Stubbins is good, but we would never claim it is perfect. We make every effort to instil good behaviour and manners into the children and to apply our behaviour policy fairly. Bullying is not a big issue here, but sometimes it can occur. We try to ensure all children are happy and we make every effort to notice when they are not. Mrs Wilson is known as the go-to person if children have any concerns, but we like to think that all of our staff are approachable. We also rely on children telling us if they are being picked on or bullied, and we encourage a 'telling' ethos.

The leadership and management of the school is the responsibility of Governors, the Headteacher and other senior staff and managers within the school. I would like to assure parents that we do take your feedback very seriously and that we will be looking at all the points raised to see how we can improve further.

I would like to assure you that we have read all the suggestions for improvements and considered them carefully. In some cases, changing things for one person would make things difficult for another person (e.g. assembly times). Some suggestions we can do little about (e.g. there has to be only one primary contact on the system.) Some suggestions are not practical (e.g., we couldn't possibly produce an 'end of year' style report every term.)

We will look at all your suggestions in our ongoing efforts to improve Stubbins School. Thank you for your time in completing the questionnaire, and for your encouraging positive comments, which are most pleasing.

Kind regards,



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(Headteacher)