



St Matthew's Bloxam C of E Primary School

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Dear parents and carers

I would like to thank everyone who spent some time to complete the recent questionnaire regarding our church school distinctiveness, ahead of our upcoming SIAMS inspection.

50 responses were received, of which I have attached the results and comments made. I must add that I am a little unsure how correct the strongly disagree figure is, as one response gave one star across the board, with a few 'don't knows' and a glowing comment, so it's possible that it could have been 5 stars!

Nevertheless, I am sure that you will agree the results are overwhelmingly positive and there are clear improvements to make around spirituality and governors. To this end, I have written a spirituality policy and will be delivering staff training on it in November. I also intend for you to get to know the governors better through the newsletter, and when it is safe, at events held in school.

Thanks again for your continued support to make SMB the best school it can be.

Yours sincerely,

Anita Timson

Headteacher

Statements	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know	Positive responses (excluding don't know)
The school has a set of clear and explicit Christian values	54%	32%	0%	2%	12%	98%
The school has high expectations of behaviour which reflect in its Christian values	56%	26%	2%	4%	12%	93%
The school provides many opportunities for my child to develop spiritually	40%	26%	2%	2%	30%	94%
The school supports my child extremely well in developing morally and socially	60%	22%	4%	0%	14%	98%
The school provides a wide range of cultural activities for my child to take part in	54%	26%	2%	2%	16%	95%
Relationships within school reflect Christian values well	54%	26%	4%	0%	16%	95%
My child enjoys taking part in worship opportunities at school	44%	36%	4%	2%	14%	93%
My child is developing an excellent knowledge and understanding of Christianity through RE	56%	24%	6%	2%	12%	91%
My child is developing an excellent knowledge and understanding of	56%	24%	8%	0%	12%	91%

other world faiths through RE						
My child is making good progress in learning in RE	56%	22%	6%	2%	14%	91%
The staff promote the Christian ethos of the school well	52%	26%	6%	2%	14%	91%
The governors promote the Christian ethos of the school well	46%	18%	6%	4%	26%	86%
There are good relationships between school and the local community	54%	24%	6%	2%	14%	91%
There are good relationships between the school and the local Anglican church	60%	22%	4%	0%	14%	98%
There are good relationships between the school and other religious groups in the area	40%	26%	8%	4%	22%	85%
My views are listened to and taken seriously by the school	50%	28%	4%	4%	14%	91%

Comments

The best three things about the school from my point of view are...

50 Responses

ID	Name	Responses
1	anonymous	My son attends reception, I feel that the teachers meet mine and my sons needs with him attending pre school and now moving onto reception this was a big leap for me because my son had never been in any sort of child care, and I feel that he is listened to and what they expect of him is reasonable,

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2	anonymous	All members of staff have worked together to make my child feel safe, secure and heard at school. The school offer a range of support to my family during difficult times. The school have given my child the opportunity to explore different religions and make his own choice with regards to the religious beliefs he would like to hold. As a family we are not religious but my son has chosen to follow Christianity and this is supported both through the school and at home.
3	anonymous	Administration
4	anonymous	Kindness, Respect, Great
5	anonymous	Great communication, friendly and helpful staff, my boy know the new teacher just from 3 weeks and already is saying that he love Miss Margrie - nothing more to say.
6	anonymous	Good Ethics, very supportive and safe environment
7	anonymous	It feels more like a family than a school, The support you get is amazing, my child is thriving at this school
8	anonymous	The grounds.
9	anonymous	Communication to parents, Welfare of students especially during the Pandemic,
10	anonymous	They teach the children about Christianity but also respects other religious groups and personal growth.
11	anonymous	respect, polite, good communication, kind
12	anonymous	Friendly
13	anonymous	Individuality, kindness, teamwork.
14	anonymous	Teachers put their heart in the job, school transparency, my kids love going to school. Thank you.
15	anonymous	Adaptive, engagement, variety
16	anonymous	I can't say much about it is just close to us and have some religious beliefs. I think need a lot of approval
17	anonymous	The support they provide for my children
18	anonymous	The staff , their care and their commitment
19	anonymous	Pupils learn well, make friendships and are encouraged to push themselves

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20	anonymous	Teachers and TAs, diversity, children
21	anonymous	Nice place
22	anonymous	A caring and nurturing school environment, dedicated staff and a range of enjoyable activities for children.
23	anonymous	Good moral values, polite, respectful. Cater to all cultures without prejudice.
24	anonymous	
25	anonymous	Friendly environment, great teachers, sense of community within school
26	anonymous	Good leadership. Kind teachers. Safe environment
27	anonymous	Communication , nurturing and developing
28	anonymous	Friendly staff
29	anonymous	Keeping safe, listening and doing
30	anonymous	
31	anonymous	Good communication, inclusive, welcoming.
32	anonymous	Personal knowledge of and interest in each child; good relationships among the children; nice balance of Christian values and openness to those of other faiths and none.
33	anonymous	1) It's welcoming and caring nature - displayed to both the children who attend and to their wider families. 2) That each child is celebrated and encouraged individually for the gifts they possess 3) That when able, it draws its school community together to highlight and celebrate the efforts of children (both in and out of school) to help create a community that cares for each other/is aware of the achievements of those children from other years etc.
34	anonymous	The values and how much every child is treated unique
35	anonymous	Trust, communication and learning.
36	anonymous	Staff, diversity, values
37	anonymous	Teaching the children life skills as well as the normal curriculum.
38	anonymous	Kind and polite environment
39	anonymous	Education, good behaviour and faith respect.

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40	anonymous	Praying at school, take children to Church, teaching children according to faith
41	anonymous	Because you can be there from the age of 3 up until 11 years old and they have one class per year
42	anonymous	Christian beliefs and teaching. Good relationship with our church. Opportunities to visit church services.
43	anonymous	1. Excellent communication and support. 2. Regular updates from school. 3. Good Christian ethos
44	anonymous	Teacher ,caring n respond
45	anonymous	have no any
46	anonymous	respect, kindness and care
47	anonymous	It's a great school
48	anonymous	It's a good school by high quality teaching
49	anonymous	very good approach to children, qualified teaching staff, very good contact with the parent
50	anonymous	Teachers, support and location

