



St Matthew's Bloxam C of E Primary School

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"Let Your Light Shine"

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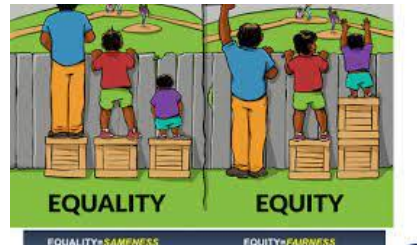
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Dear parents/carers,

Please find attached the results of this year's parent/carer questionnaire. I would like to thank everyone who took the time to do this. In total 79 responses were received, 22 more than our last questionnaire in April 2019.

As you are aware, your feedback is invaluable to us in leading, managing and developing our school to make it the best experience for both your children and you.

We are absolutely over-whelmed that 100% of parents/carers agree with ourselves that we keep your children safe at school and that 99% of you believe that your child is happy at school. This is true testament to all of the work and training we have done on developing an attachment aware environment and treating children differently in order to treat them the same.



This is further endorsed by 99% of parents/carers agreeing that school is a welcoming and pleasant place to visit, regardless of the fact that we have not been able to welcome you into the building as we would normally.

As always, I would like to remind you that I am available to listen to any arising concerns you may have and will deal with them as promptly and efficiently as I am able.

Thank you for your support in helping us to let your children shine their light and continue to improve in all aspects of our school.

Yours sincerely,

Anita Timson

Headteacher



Statements	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know	Positive responses (excluding don't know) 2019	Positive responses (excluding don't know) 2021
My child is happy at school	70%	22%	1%		9%	93%=	99%↑
My child feels safe at this school	75%	22%			6%	94%=	100%↑
My child makes good progress at this school	65%	19%	3%		15%	98%↑	97%↓
My child is well looked after at this school	71%	22%	1%	1%	6%	96%↓	97%↑
My child is well taught at this school	75%	16%	1%	1%	8%	96%↓	97%↑
My child receives appropriate homework for their age	59%	20%	3%	4%	15%	89%↑	93%↑
The school makes sure the pupils are well behaved	62%	25%	5%	1%	8%	96%=	93%↓
The school deals with bullying effectively	53%	24%	4%	5%	15%	94%↑	90%↓
The school is well led and managed	68%	22%	4%	1%	6%	96%=	95%↓
The school is a welcoming and pleasant place to visit	71%	24%	1%		5%	96%↓	99%↑
This school responds well to my concerns	67%	18%	3%		14%	91%=	97%↑
I receive valuable information from school about my child's progress	66%	20%	10%		5%	86%↓	89%↑
There are a good range of clubs for my child to enjoy	53%	24%	8%	5%	11%	91%↑	86%↓
The school has a good reputation in the local community	65%	16%	1%	2%	16%	90%↓	95%↑
I would recommend this school to another parent	92%		8%			89%	92%↑

Supplementary questions regarding Covid-19 during lockdown 3 (Jan-Mar 21)							
I felt supported by the school	95%		5%			N/A	95%
I was happy with the remote/online teaching provided	61%	23%	4%	4%	10%	N/A	92%
I was happy with the home school communications	63%	23%	3%	3%	10%	N/A	94%

Suggestions and school's response to what we already do/plan to do

I would appreciate more information about how my children are doing at the school, as the only person that receives information is their mother who does not update me. **Whilst we endeavour to send a copy of children's' reports and progress summaries to both parents, please do let the school office know if you haven't received a copy.**

Multi-cultures needs to be embraced more, regardless of the school being CofE. More awareness about racism/values/BLM needs to be brought into the curriculum- from all ages. The leadership need to listen to parents ideas more- We all have our children's best interests at heart. An active drive to recruit male teachers/role models should be addressed too. I don't know about after school clubs. Lastly more needs to be done to increase the Ofsted rating and to get a better reputation in the community. **Church of England Primary Schools pride themselves of being inclusive of all religions, cultures and beliefs. The RE curriculum covers all religions, at different levels, although the teaching of Christianity must remain 50%. For more information, please click this [link](#). We agree that we need to focus on more major festivals and celebrations, and are currently incorporating special days for the whole school for next year. The Leadership Team are always open to new ideas and suggestions, however sometimes we do not have the capacity in school to provide everything that is asked from us. To actively recruit male teachers, would be a discriminatory issue, as the best person would always be appointed to a position. We value the comments about clubs, and are currently actively seeking parent's views on club types and age ranges. We wholeheartedly agree the Ofsted grading needs to move to 'Good', and believe that we are now securely good, and eagerly await a re-inspection to endorse this.**

Overall we are very happy with the school and both our kids are thriving. My only issue is around limited clubs and opportunities for children around music and drama. It would also be good to have more sports clubs for all ages. One more thing - there already seems to be this divide between boys and girls. 'Girls don't play football' 'I can play with girls'. I hope this is being addressed. Thanks for all that you already do. **We agree with your comments regarding clubs, of which have been massively disrupted due to Covid. Please see the comments above. Regarding gender issues of playing sports, this is not something that we are aware of and have girls' currently attending the football club.**

The school should have music teachers come to teach children to play musical instruments as others schools. **For the past two years, the year 5 class have been taught the ukulele weekly by a specialist music teacher from Warwickshire Music. We have been able to provide these lessons due to the generosity of Rugby Rotary Club providing 50% of the costs towards this. There is currently an open survey regarding individual and group music lessons for next year, however these must be paid for by parents.**

I am disgusted at the way children are spoken to when a problem is encountered. Learn to promote positive behaviour and DO NOT SHOUT. **It is incredibly rare that teacher's need to raise**

their voice in school. Our Behaviour Policy is based on restorative justice and ensuring that everyone feels safe in school.

Q8- I can't fairly mark that question as my children have thankfully never been bullied. Q13- it would be nice for ks1 to have after school clubs too not just the older ones. Also not every child likes football so would be better to have different sport options. ***We appreciate your honesty in answering 'don't know' as you have not had experience of it. Bullying is indeed very uncommon at SMB, but when it does happen it is dealt with promptly and effectively, involving parents. Please see above comments regarding clubs.***

Positives

***** only just started but we are particularly pleased with miss Henderson she has helped us lots with the settling in process. Safeguarding very effective after taking my daughter out of another nursery I'm so glad I did

I had left a review with Ofsted on how well SMB managed during lockdown, the Facebook group were great and when my daughter hadn't handed work in I got an email to say so, which showed teachers were keeping up to date with work handed in.

Absolutely fantastic school. Keep doing what you are. You're all amazing xx

The staff are so helpful. Well done SMB!

You are all doing a marvellous job!

I have had so much support from the school and the teachers I am honestly so grateful. I feel safe leaving my children there. Any problems or situations have been dealt with swiftly and in correct ways. It really is a lovely school with an excellent Headteacher and amazing staff. Thank you

I think the school is exceptional in all areas! ***** absolutely loves coming to school and has developed so well both academically and in confidence socially. He feels happy and safe when at school and always speaks so fondly of all of the teaching staff he encounters. I am really grateful for the continued support and care.

SMB it is a good school and when my daughter wants to go every day to school even on weekends it is because the teachers from Reception are doing a great job. Well done and thank you all for keeping up your good work during COVID-19. From happy parents

Brilliant and extremely supportive school to both my children and myself as a parent.

We have just started are enjoying our new school environment, thank you for having us!!Thank you for all you do for my child. Although I couldn't give 5 stars for their happiness, that's not due to anything the teachers have or haven't done.

Dealing with bullying and additional activities offered I have marked as a 3, as I have no direct experience to enable me to comment. We are very happy that our son received our 1st choice of primary school and will be commencing reception in September. Thank you for all the learning and happy moments our son has had so far at St. Matthews Bloxam, I'm sure he will create many more as the years progress.