St Joseph's Catholic Primary School ~ Parent Questionnaire, Spring 2016

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Please tick the year group(s) of your child(ren)							

Overall results from returned 2016 questionnaires

		Don't Know,N/A	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
1	Staff are committed to creating supportive and effective relationships with parents		2	1	42	52
2	Children are encouraged to be compassionate, respectful and understanding towards others	1			38	58
3	Children are encouraged to work for, and give to, charities	3		1	41	51
4	There is a sense of shared enjoyment and encouragement between adults and children in the school	2		2	39	53
5	Children are encouraged to take an active part in their learning and school life	1		1		62
6	Prayer is a regular part of school life			1	28	68
7	As a parent/carer I welcome the invite to class led liturgies, and masses				35	59
8	The RE curriculum has a high status in the school	3			36	57
9	The school encourages individuals to develop high moral standards by following the example of Jesus Christ	1		2	33	60
10	The school demonstrates a strong commitment to supporting those who are most vulnerable in the school, community and the wider world	6	2		46	43
11	The school environment is one where children feel confident, secure and able to express their opinions		2		32	62
12	Our children take pride and celebrate in their own learning and the achievements of others	1	1	2	31	59

What aspects of St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School do you like best?

- Excellent support for children with SEN
- Religious beliefs and teaching
- Homework and Sound book taken home
- My child enjoys coming to school every day and often talks about the things he has done and how Jesus has been part of his day
- > Friendly, family atmosphere
- All children are the same
- As always St. Joseph's School should be very proud of all they do, adults and children alike
- We feel all aspects are helping our son with education, we are very happy with his development
- > How kind and helpful the children and teachers are
- ➤ I like how they work at my sons pace and the style of teaching used. My son is one of the youngest in his year but that has made no difference to how well he is doing.
- > The community factor
- ➤ The family spirit
- > Everyone is so helpful
- ➤ All
- Leadership
- The wide variety of sports activities available
- Excellent building on positive relationships between staff and pupils
- > EAL club and other after school clubs
- > Atmosphere
- Great relationship between staff and children
- ➤ The after school clubs and welcoming atmosphere
- Our children are very happy here and have built great relationships with staff and other children
- It is community focussed and is welcoming
- > The warm and friendly atmosphere is so welcoming, a feel of family
- > Issues are dealt with quickly and that is very reassuring for us
- > The well-being of each child as an individual
- > The Christian morals
- Lovely staff and polite children
- ➤ The accessibility for extra-curricular activities and the encouragement of teachers and staff to the children succeeding
- ➤ I think that the school do everything the best way
- Caring and supportive approach to both children and parents
- > Teachers commitment to children's learning
- > All of it
- ➤ I love how all children are taught respect and good manners
- ➤ I also feel that there is a brilliant parent-teacher relationship in the school
- I think it's a happy school to be in and has a family feel to it
- > The teachers always try and help their students and always make children feel safe
- School community
- > The fact I know they are getting the same Catholic influence I did as a child
- Smiles
- > The school encourages and has a strong commitment to develop high morals, respect and follow the examples of Jesus
- Strong values and active part in making lives better in all forms
- That my children are happy
- Year group Liturgies lead by Mrs. Perring

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- Everything
- Staff/adults appear to really care about the children
- My child comes to school happily every day
- > The caring ethos
- ➤ I like all aspects of the school
- > The relationship between teachers and parents
- > Teachers are fantastic
- > Bring out the best in the children
- ➤ All of it
- > Friendly
- > I like the fact that you include prayer aspects in this school life
- > The teachers are friendly
- > Ethos
- Great teacher/child relationships
- Communication
- > How dedicated teachers are to their pupils
- > The very committed teachers
- Its very warm and inviting
- > All the staff have the best interests of the children at heart
- Mrs. Pipe is an amazing teacher as are all of you
- > Everything I think is fine

What do you think our school could do better?

- More support for children who are excelling
- Curriculum is not understood completely. A bit more information on what to work on would be appreciated
- Make the road one-way
- Communicating letters and dates
- Don't always get the Friday Update or forms in school bag
- Nothing at present
- Teach all children to line up, not push in and be respectful to others, not to jump the queue
- A bigger relationship with parents to support the children's education, e.g. Learning Evenings for parents to know how to support with homework. Maybe a guide would also help
- > Being full-time working parents it is often hard for us to come to events/activities that take place during the school day especially as I'm a teacher
- More photos on the website
- Reward individual children i.e., send notes to parents to inform them of something their child has achieved
- > Explaining to parents the methods in which maths homework is done at school so we can help our children at home better
- Vary the hot lunch menu more
- > Info evenings more appropriate times for working families
- Parents re early release of important dates could improve
- Nothing
- The only thing I struggle with is the techniques/learning styles that are taught. When homework comes home I don't understand today's way of teaching. Could this be addressed by showing parents as well
- Continuous homework
- ➤ It's getting better with notification of dates that working parents need notice of e.g. Liturgies, sports days. This helps us to feel involved.
- More after school clubs, especially football for year 4's.
- More information about the targets they need to meet. As a parent, I want to help and support my child to meet those targets.
- Recognising the other Christians within the school i.e. C of E children taking their First Communion. Celebrating this is we are all Christians together.
- > Encouraging children to be more respectful of others and adults
- Nothing, everything is excellent
- Communication is terrible
- Maybe have helping clubs, e.g. a lunch time club named 'HW help' for those children who need it.
- More advance notice of events
- One question missed: Do we feel if our child is getting the support required to help them improve or to reach the required standards