



# St. Lawrence C. of E. (Aided) Junior School

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9<sup>th</sup> December, 2016

Dear Parents/Carers,

Firstly I would like to say thank you to all the parents/carers who took the time to fill in the questionnaire recently. We realise that some of you didn't get the chance at Parents' Evening but hope you managed to get a copy through the office.

I am pleased to say that 99% of children are happy at school and are well looked after. 98% feel safe and 93% feel they make good progress. 97% of children are taught well and the school ensures they are well behaved. Somewhat surprisingly, 95% of you believe that your child receives appropriate homework. This is a notorious area for dividing opinion. Homework is too long, too short, too easy or too hard so we are happy with this result. Two other areas that are interesting are the bullying question and the 'concerns raised' question. 36% have no experience of bullying and coupled with the 58% who are happy this area, 94% believe bullying is dealt with effectively. The other area is when concerns are raised and, like bullying, some people do not have any concerns that they need to raise with the school therefore score a 'don't know' as their answer. That 15% coupled with the 75% who are happy gives this area 90%. Ninety per cent believe that the school is well led and managed and overall 91% would recommend this school to another parent. These results are available on the school's website. Please take a look.

We always ask for written responses to areas where you might not be satisfied in order to make improvements. There were only a handful of comments from the returns so I will try to analyse one or two comments in more detail. One comment stated that information was given to parents at the last minute. The school individual photographs were mentioned. As you are aware, we send out a whole school year planner in September which has all the information we know at that time. This was on the planner, but sometimes things are not known and we try to give you as much notice as possible. Another comment was to do with the children not being able to have fun at break time. There was no further explanation. We have many different games and resources for use at break time and lunchtime. I appreciate that this year, with the new build, things have been more difficult to organise, but once the new school is built we will return to using the equipment we have at break time and lunchtime. We are looking at how we might use the field more throughout the winter months. One parent wanted homework on a daily basis, whereas another thought homework was too much at primary level! One parent wrote 'We love St Lawrence. Thank you for everything!' which is always great to hear. Another questionnaire mentioned a concern of children being unattended in the morning as they are only 7 years old. Again, with no explanation I can only assume that this parent is referring to the gates opening at 8.30am. The playground is not monitored until 8.40am. If you drop your child off before 8.40am you will need to remain with them as we do not take responsibility until 8.40am when the school doors open. This has been explained before. I can assure you all that children are never unattended throughout the school day.

Yours sincerely,

Headteacher



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## St Lawrence Parent Survey Results - Autumn 2016

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't Know
1. My child is happy at this school.	59%	41%	1%		
	99%				
2. My child feels safe at this school.	67%	31%	2%		
	98%				
3. My child makes good progress at this school.	39%	54%	6%		
	93%				
4. My child is well looked after at this school.	53%	46%	2%		
	99%				
5. My child is taught well at this school.	40%	57%	1%	1%	2%
	97%				
6. My child receives appropriate homework for their age.	36%	59%	3%	1%	2%
	95%				
7. This school makes sure its pupils are well behaved.	47%	50%			3%
	97%				
8. This school deals effectively with bullying.	28%	30%	3%	2%	36%
	58%				
9. This school is well led and managed.	39%	51%	3%	2%	5%
	90%				
10. This school responds well to any concerns I raise.	35%	40%	7%	3%	15%
	75%				
11. I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress.	29%	59%	8%	2%	2%
	88%				
12. Would you recommend this school to another parent?	42%	49%	2%	1%	6%



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