

# Parent Issues: Keeping Whitleigh Parents Informed

## Questionnaire Findings.....

I distributed a questionnaire to all 288 families at the school and received 50 completed questionnaires. **Thank you all so much 17% is a good response!**

The questionnaires were analysed by Plymouth Parent Partnership and the findings are available in their entirety on both the Whitleigh Community Primary School and Plymouth Parent Partnership websites.

A hard copy of the findings is available from me.

It was great to receive numerous comments on a wide range of issues from parents and these will prove invaluable in informing the school improvement process.

### **I have outlined some of the findings below:**

The survey found that 95.0% of parents received sufficient information about what kind of behaviour the school expects of their child. 4 in 5 (80%) parents indicated that they received sufficient information on their child's targets and just over 3 in 4 (77.5%) on how they think their child is doing. Parents felt least informed about Sats (46.8%).

All but one parent (97.6%) received information via newsletters and parent evenings and my PSA notice board was used by just over 2 in 3 (67.5%). The website was one of the least used sources of information, only used by 15.8% of parents.

### **Resources/Arrangement**

The majority of parents (93.0%) were satisfied with the 'Learning Materials' whilst fewer than 1 in 10 (7.0%) were not. Over 4 in 5 parents (84.2%) indicated that they were satisfied with the 'merit/reward systems' and 15.8% were dissatisfied.

Only just over 2 in 5 parents (41.0%) indicated that they were satisfied with the arrangements for 'Mixed Year Groups'. Only 2 in 5 (40.0%) parents were satisfied with the dining hall/arrangements, whilst 3 in 5 (60%) were dissatisfied.

Just under 1 in 5 parents (18.2%) were currently involved in the school by using the PSA Comments Box. Just over 2 in 3 (69.0%) parents would like to be involved in the school through 'school trips/supporting sport teams' and 56.6% favoured 'helping in the classroom'.

Half of the parents would like to be involved in 'learning alongside their child in school' and 45.1% would like to be involved in a 'Parent Forum'.

### **Parents Views**

The majority of parents (**95.1%**) agreed that the school has a caring environment.

Please log onto the :

Plymouth Parent Partnership website  
[www.plymouthparentpartnership.org.uk](http://www.plymouthparentpartnership.org.uk)  
Whitleigh Primary School  
[www.whitleigh-pri.plymouth.sch.uk](http://www.whitleigh-pri.plymouth.sch.uk)



All newsletters and action plans will be posted here and on the school website as soon as available

## School Review Group Meeting

I attended the second School Review Group meeting that was held at Windsor House on 26th March.



I gave a report detailing how I have been collecting parents views and comments so far. I highlighted the themes arising from the focus groups held earlier in January and February. I also fed back the findings from the recent questionnaire survey of parents. I gave the group copies of the findings and we discussed various issues that had come out of the findings.

## Who are the school's Leadership Team?

Some of the parents were not sure of who was in the school's Leadership team and what they do. The school's Leadership team is as follows:

Mr. Cording (Head)  
Miss.Grose (Deputy Head)  
Miss.Binney (yr 5/6 T)  
Mrs.Roberts (yr 3/4 T)  
Mrs.Lethbridge (yr 1/2 T)  
Miss.Tillen ( F T )  
Mrs.Baker ( F T )

The Leadership team meets once a week to discuss and monitor the school's action plans and the School Improvement Plan.

**Thank You!!!**

**I would like to thank all my colleagues at Parent Partnership and a special thanks to Helen Phillips for all the support she gives me and analysing all the questionnaires.**

## Keeping you informed

You may have noticed on the last school's newsletter that I put my PSA information on it. I will be doing this from now on so you will have all the information on one newsletter.

This copy of Parent Issues will be on Plymouth Parent Partnership website and the school's.

The next School Review Group meeting is on Friday 21st May.

## Remember.....

You can always contact me by texting or calling me on 07766367370 or by emailing me on:  
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