



Spalding Parish Church of England Day School

6th January 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

Parent/Carer Questionnaires

Firstly, thank you to all who took the time to complete one of our evaluation questionnaires either at our Parent Consultation Evenings or online. We appreciate that this takes a few minutes but your feedback and comments are very important to us and your comments and the results have been analysed and discussed.

Secondly, we are thrilled with such a positive response in all of the areas surveyed but are always seeking to improve provision further. When one studies the figures and combines the "Strongly Agree" and "Agree" columns we are really pleased that parents and pupils are happy with Spalding Parish Church of England Day School and this is a consistent picture over recent years.

As you will no doubt be aware our termly Reports are now in their fifth year. As a school we are only required statutorily to report to parents and carers once within an academic year however, one of our aims when introducing this was to create stronger relationships between home and school. We have also updated the reports this term and we hope that as pupils and parents become more familiar with the new format they will feel more able to come in and ask should they have any questions. The questionnaire has been adapted slightly this year in line with the new Ofsted Parent/Carer questions so cannot be directly compared however the results for Q5 were 96.7% parents/carers who strongly agree/agree, so extremely positive.

The percentage of parents who strongly agree/agree that their daughter/son is happy at school was extremely high at 99.5%. We would, of course, like every pupil to be happy at school and we realise that issues and problems do arise so continue to encourage pupils and parents/carers to talk to us if there is a problem so that we can work towards resolving it. Similarly, we were extremely pleased with the percentage of parents/carers who responded positively to Q10, that the school responds well to any concerns raised. To the very small number of parents who feel that they disagree with this statement we would continue to say "please, talk to us and let us work together to help resolve any issues that you feel exist". It is always possible to meet with myself or members of the SLT with an open door policy each morning and time scheduled each week for appointments.



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In line with national changes and our own curriculum changes we are pleased to see that 99.1% of all parents feel that their daughter/son is progressing well. In recent years we have reviewed the curriculum at both KS1 and KS2, following updates to the National Curriculum in 2014. National Curriculum changes have been both a challenge and an opportunity at all levels and we continue to work towards shaping a curriculum offer that meets the needs of our enthusiastic and hard-working pupils.

100% of parents responded positively to Q2 and Q4. We are very pleased that so many of you think your child is safe and well looked after at Spalding Parish and that we have a good range of clubs and activities on offer. Questions 6 and 7, around behaviour and bullying, were both very positive on the whole particularly when considering the % not responding to the statements due to having no experience and therefore feeling unable to comment. A small number of parents did disagree with the statements "The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved" and "The school deals effectively with bullying". As a school we are not content that any parent/carer or indeed any pupil feels this way and would like to reassure pupils and parents that we will not tolerate bullying or anti-social behaviour of any kind and will continue to work hard to address any issue that is raised. During 2019/20 our planned work on anti-bullying will continue, focused in particular on building positive friendships and relationships and the appropriate use of social media and would ask for your support with this.

As a school we will continue to work on all of the areas where parents/carers disagreed or strongly disagreed with any of the statements and any comments provided as this helps us to consider, identify and action any improvements. We will continue to work on the consistency of approach of the whole staff team and reflect on how further information regarding the curriculum and pupil achievement can be shared in addition to our current termly model. In return we would ask that if you do have any comments or concerns that you speak to your child's class teacher or to a member of the Senior Leadership Team so that any issues can be dealt with effectively and in a timely manner.

As stated earlier however, we are very pleased with the high percentage totals for all of the questions and feel this does reflect the highly committed and professional staff team that we have at Spalding Parish Church of England Day School. All of our staff are enthusiastic and devoted to ensuring that each pupil progresses and achieves a fully rounded education.

Thank you again for your feedback. We will continue to share the results and feedback with parents and pupils on an annual basis. The issues raised have also been shared and discussed fully with the staff team and will be shared with the school's Local Council (formally known as the Board of Governors) at their next meeting later this term. If you do have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact either myself or a member of the Senior Leadership Team.

Kind Regards,

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