

Marsden Primary School

Parent Survey

Results

July 2017



Your Views Count!

- This document presents the results of our Annual Survey of Parent/Carer Views.
- This Survey – and the other smaller surveys we carry out from time to time – will help to shape the ongoing development of the school.
- Thank you to all parents/carers who completed our Survey.

Survey conducted in June 2017

Out of our 247 pupils, we have 150 families. Of these 150 families, we had 64 responses, which works out as 43% of our community. We are presuming that those families who did not respond are happy and pleased with the education provided at Marsden Primary School.

Responses:

	Strongly Agree %	Agree %	Disagree %	Disagree %	Don't know %
My Child is happy at school	66	33	1		
My child feels safe at school	67	33			
My child makes good progress	67	32	1		
My child is well looked after	67	33			
My child is taught well	67	32	1		
My child receives appropriate homework	50	45	2		3
The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved	53	41	2		4
The school deals effectively with bullying	47	20	6		27
The school is well lead and managed	62	36			2
The school responds well to any concerns I raise	58	36		2	4
I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress	52	44	3		1
I understand the role and responsibility of the governing body	41	42	6	2	9
I know how to contact the governing body	33	34	20		13
Would you recommend this school to another parent	72	27	1		

Our Response to the survey results:

We are very pleased with the wonderful results from this survey, especially linked to the teaching, behaviour and happiness within our school. It is wonderful to hear that parents feel they can approach school and are welcomed into the building, happily engaging with every member of staff. Our behaviour is something we take great pride in and are constantly looking for ways to improve this, both inside and outside of the building.

In response to the comments where a negative response was given:

The school deals effectively with bullying:

Having read many comments on the survey form, lots of parents have stated that they were unable to hold an opinion on this question due to a lack of experience with their child. This is a wonderful fact, however at Marsden we are vigilant when it comes to bullying. It would be naive to say that bullying never takes place, however we have a range of robust systems and procedures in place to ensure that every child feels safe and happy in our school, but knows exactly what the consequences are for those children who do not follow the expectations within the school.

I understand the role and responsibility of the governing body and I know how to contact the governing body:

Our governing body is such an essential part of the school, ensuring every child has the best education possible whilst at Marsden Primary School. Over the next term, we will ensure that all governors are made visible to the whole school community and, through our website and notice boards, will ensure their role and responsibilities are explained and shared with the wider community.

Parents responses to: What do you think are the positives about Marsden Primary School?

The following were frequently mentioned and some are actual comments:

- Teachers are lovely.
- Very happy I have brought my child here.
- Good provision in EYFS and KS1.
- Enriched curriculum providing trips and visits.
- Any issues are always resolved.
- An organised school.
- A very approachable school.
- Keeping up-to-date about up and coming events.
- The high expectations of my child.
- My child enjoys coming to Marsden, made her feel very welcome.
- Children are safe and happy.
- It's a good size
- It is a child-centred school where children's emotional wellbeing is the centre of everything.
- Lots going on to keep children interested after/before school.
- Good outdoor space and equipment.
- Each child is genuinely respected and encouraged by all of the staff.
- Marsden isn't afraid to try new ideas or concepts.

Parents responses to: How can we make further improvements to Marsden Primary School?

- Help with more after/before school clubs & nursery childcare for working parents.
- Better parking spaces.
- More charity work.
- More reliable crossing patrol.
- For working parents, maybe produce a DVD so parents can see the events they are missing.
- Continue the links with Whitburn Academy.

Next steps we are acting on because of the Survey:

- Communication is continuing with Whitburn Academy to extend the provision we have started for music within the two schools.
- After-school clubs will be changed and monitored each term to ensure that as many children as possible are engaged in the activities.
- An after-school club in Whitburn Village has now been linked with the school to allow for easier organisation of care for our parents.

Thank you for responding to our survey