Parental Questionnaire Results

Thank you very much to everyone that completed the questionnaire, we really appreciate you taking the time to do so. Fifty-nine parents completed the questionnaire which is also fantastic!

We have been overwhelmed by all the positive comments we have received and we will also be responding to your suggestions too, we really do value your feedback.

I've included a summary of the results below:

1. Does the school support mental health and wellbeing?

78% strongly agree

22% agree

2. Does your child feel safe at school?

100% agree

3. Does the school understand your child's needs and respond to them?

100% agree

4. Do you think the school deals with bullying effectively?

57.6% strongly agree

42.4% agree

5. Do you think the school offers a wide range of extra-curricular activities?

79.7% strongly agree

16.9% agree

3.4% (2 parents) disagree

Further comments: one parent has asked for more extra-curricular clubs for younger pupils and one has asked for more extra-curricular clubs for older pupils. We will have a look at our provision and see which clubs children would like to attend.

Clubs ran so far this year: Minecraft, karate, multi-skills, family learning, gardening, dance (for older and younger pupils) and Lego Club. At lunch times we also have: sports club, friendship club and board games.

6. Does the school listen to your opinion?

94.4% always

5.1% (3 parents) sometimes

7. Does the school communicate with you regularly about what is happening in school?

89.8% always

10.2 % (6 parents) sometimes.

If you have any further suggestions about communication, please get in touch. At the moment we use Dojo daily, Facebook, Twitter and half termly newsletters via Parent Mail.

8. Do you think the school lives out their vision and provides opportunities for parents and the community to become involved?

79.7% strongly agree

16.9% agree

1.7% (1 parent) disagree

1.7% (1 parent) strongly disagree

We understand that it is difficult for working parents to attend events in school. This is why we offered the Christmas performance at 4pm this year. We also offer community events at weekends (every month) so everyone can be involved e.g. Destiny Streetworx, litter picks with Litterbugs, helping at the Alnwick foodbank and events held in connection with the Mental Health and Wellbeing Challenges, all of which are also attended by members of staff.

We have also tried to organise some meetings at 5.30 pm and later in the evening; however, all of these events have been cancelled as there have been very low attendance. We will continue to monitor attendance at events and will adjust accordingly. We will also continue to put videos and pictures on Dojo so we can share your child's learning with you.

9. Do you think the school is well led and managed?

91.5% strongly agree

8.5% agree

10. Would you recommend this school to other families?

100% yes

11. Does the school encourage all pupils to ask the big questions and think globally about life, develop and understanding of disadvantage, deprivation and inequality?

83.1% strongly agree

16.9% agree

12. Does the school provide opportunities for all pupils to understand, respect and celebrate diversity and difference?

81.4% strongly agree

18.6% agree

13. Does the school provide opportunities for your child to engage in social action if they want to?

88.1% strongly agree

10.2% agree

1.7 % disagree (1 parent)

At the moment we have School Council, Eco Club and Sports Crew. We also visit the Grange once a month, and we run the JASS Award in KS2 for Year 5/6. We also work with Destiny Streetworx, Litterbugs and Alnwick Foodbank on a monthly basis on a Saturday or a Sunday.

14. Does the school encourage your child to lead a healthy lifestyle?

100% agree

15. Is my child encouraged and supported to carry out 'acts of love and good works' and make a difference in the school and wider community?

83.1% strongly agree

16.9% agree

16.Do you think worship offers all pupils the opportunity to understand the importance of our vision and the Christian values of love and community in today's society?

83.1% strongly disagree

8.5% agree

1.7 % disagree

6.8 % N/A

We've also included all of your lovely feedback below- thank you!

In your opinion what are the strengths of the school?

- Outdoor education/forest school
- How much the children are involved in decisions and helping to improve school.
- Caring/approachable staff
- Promoting events to parents. Fundraising.
- Inclusive, strong community spirit, excellent leadership.
- Always been first class at helping my child with his particular needs, understanding and supportive. Easy to talk to in person, whilst also easy to contact via apps when I'm unable to get into school.
- The whole Staff team are professional, kind and supportive. The school building and grounds are child centric with a great feel.
- Mrs Ritson is a brilliant leader and has transformed the school.
- Very friendly, welcoming and making education fun.
- A caring approach and genuine love for the pupils.
- The staff are very supportive whenever there is something wrong with my child.
- Good staff, facilities, extra-curricular activities and after school clubs. Great for learning and enjoying learning for kids. Good community spirit and communication with parents.
- Community, inclusivity, outdoor facilities.
- Approachable staff.
- The head is caring kind and diligent. She seems to have a strong vision and the children trust her.
- Nice teachers who seem very competent and genuinely care about the kids and their development. The methods they use are innovative and really engage my daughter and she loves school.
- Supporting parents to support the children in more than the academic subjects.
- Talking to the children about the bigger picture of the world. Mental health, caring for others and showing kindness, mindfulness. Also teaching them practical relaxation exercises like yoga.
- They care about the pupils all round physical and mental health and of course education.
- Everyone is very welcoming, all of the teachers seem happy in their work place and I think that reflects in the children.
- Very friendly.
- Good communication with parents.
- Clear visions & values and great ideas on how to deliver them in school and the community.
- Passionate, approachable and experienced staff.

Why did you choose to send your child to Warkworth C of E Primary School, a school for the community?

- Local school with good reputation and high standards. Currently well led and inclusive with strong focus on social and emotional wellbeing. Teachers know the children's needs and are responsive and caring. There is a supportive environment in school that fosters learning and development
- I chose to continue my child's education into Y5 rather than middle school as she has always felt safe, cared for and happy at this school and wanted to stay with her friends.
- Family history of attending, lovely school with brilliant, hardworking staff.
- Before we moved we'd checked out the school and were very taken by it, had it not been such a lovely school it would have influenced our decision as to whether or not to move into the area.
- I like the outdoor teaching (forest school). I like that my children are taught respect and integrate values through the church. I like the community feel of the school
- I decided to send my child to this school as it is a lovely small school where all teachers and staff know everybody's name and seem interested in the children.
- Christian values.
- I feel the world is becoming insular with social media and the learning environment of a community school will instil the importance of community and working together as one.
- It is our local school and as such we wanted to send our children to the local school. The fact that it has such a wonderful feel to the school of love & welcoming only helps. We have been so impressed with the staff too, from the Head Teacher, right to the kitchen staff.
- Because of its smaller classes and family like atmosphere.
- I heard it was the best school in the area.
- Good all round school, great facilities and staff.
- It is the local school; pupils seem to thrive in the school environment.
- Warm and friendly atmosphere, inclusive curriculum, varied extra-curricular classes
- Warkworth School is a lovely school, attentive and caring staff and all round good feeling when I first came to register my child. Schools productivity is really good and I hopefully look forward to my children growing up in this school.
- I liked what I saw when I had my visit it's not only a caring school where my child feels safe and happy to be who she is, it's a school that coaxes them to reach the best of their ability.
- Pupil numbers and newly introduced tier system for an easier transition to middle school
- Because it is a really good school
- Nice small welcoming school. Well led by enthusiastic staff. I feel my children are much better placed and happier here than they would be at other schools in the area.
- I felt my child would be challenged and supported to achieve his potential.
- Geography and good reputation.
- I was really impressed with the focus on the children's emotional wellbeing.
- Proximity to our home and a friendly supportive community with strong core values that resonate with us and that we wish to instil in our child as she grows
- Initially we visited the school for its proximity to our home as moving into the area we knew little of any school reputations but we were amazed by the warm welcome and facilities and

lovely teachers on our visit and felt very excited that our children would get to go to this school.

- I had heard many good things about this school and when we came with our daughter we saw the vast amount of activities she would be doing to help in her social and early learning stages and we could not have been happier with our choice.
- I thought the school felt very inviting and friendly when we first visited the school with my oldest son. It's not a massive school which I love and all of the teachers know all of the children's names.
- Lovely vibe when visited. First choice in the area. Great facilities and outside activities.
- We chose to send our child to Warkworth C of E Primary School because of the Visions and Values followed. The school was also highly recommended to us by other parents. Prior to enrolment I met with Mrs Ritson, she is passionate about delivering the visions and values of the school for the children and community. Mrs Gibson is also very kind, welcoming, informative and professional.
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- Warkworth was my first school and had some great memories which I would like my child to have.