

PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE FEEDBACK REPORT 2018

Dear parents, carers,

Thank you to everyone who returned the annual parent questionnaires at the end of the Summer term.

At Halstead Community Primary School (HCPS), we value a home school partnership that continues to develop the full potential of every child. As part of this partnership we were very grateful to hear your views of the school.

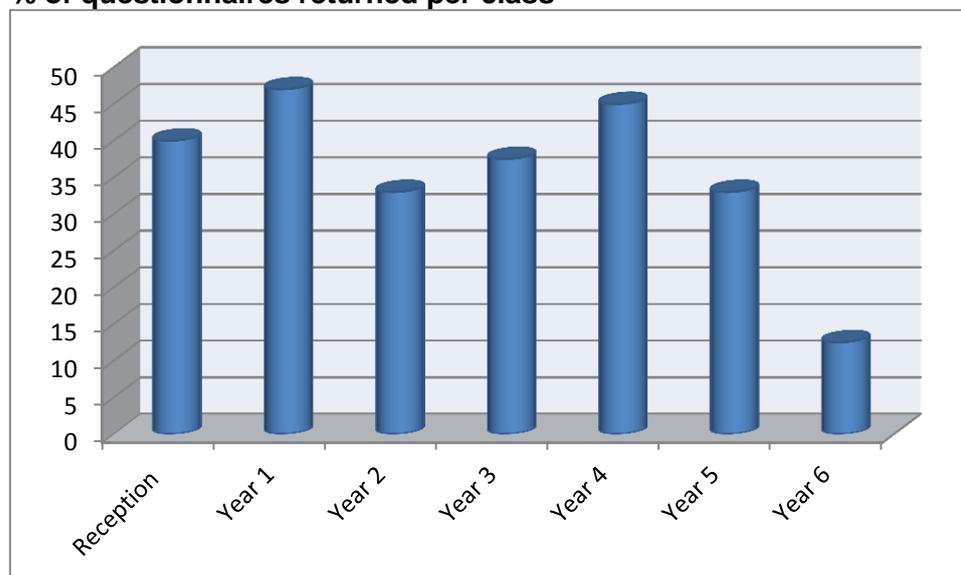
We are delighted by the responses and comments we received. We have compiled the results of the questionnaires and want to thank you for the important feedback you gave us.

It is good to see that the hard work that goes on at school has been recognised. We very much rely on this process as a way of evaluating the performance of our school for the last year and have identified strengths along with aspects that we will continue to work together to develop.

We feel that it is important that the responses are fed back to you as parents, to keep you informed. The questionnaire is a real way for parents to be heard and I would like to ensure that this response rate is improved in the coming year.

Your comments are very helpful in focusing our future school developments to make further improvements. Governors have assumed that parents who did not respond are generally satisfied.

% of questionnaires returned per class



Synopsis

- ⇒ We are delighted that the very vast majority of your children are happy to come to school. We always aim to make HCPS a community school where all are cherished and supported. This pleases us more than any other response! We pride ourselves at HCPS on being a happy, safe and caring village school.
- ⇒ Top mark for the quality of teaching. This is a core value for all of the teaching staff at HCPS and pleasingly 100% of parents have affirmed this. The teaching team excels themselves in promoting high standards in all they do and aim for the children to be the very best they can be.
- ⇒ Another excellent and affirming response : We are very proud of our ethos at Halstead school. We will continue to teach the children to value diversity, tolerance, self- respect and respect for others.
- ⇒ The amount of homework can sometimes divide parental opinion- often some parents want less homework whilst others prefer more!! The responses we received suggest our preparation of homework is working well. We remain committed to homework for the following reasons :
 - It instils good learning habits for life
 - It allows children to consolidate skills learnt in class
 - It engages and informs parents about their child's current learning
 - It provides opportunities for children to pursue their own line of enquiry
 - It can increase a pupil's enthusiasm for
 - It can develop essential skills for children's further education
- ⇒ Excellent behaviour / harassment in school are both a priority within our village school. We are delighted but equally not surprised with the response as we take our anti-bullying policy and strategy very seriously. The children are our finest ambassadors, they are well behaved, mannerly and courteous. They bring these attributes to all events.
- ⇒ Making good progress at school, has also received a very positive response with 100% feedback. The teachers work hard to plan and prepare lessons which take account of the children's continuing and differing needs. The children are challenged, supported and are encouraged to produce their best in all activities.
- ⇒ "The school is well run" : a fantastic response was collated. We are very fortunate to have an extremely dedicated and passionate team at HCPS whereas, everybody works consistently so hard in school to ensure the children receive the very best.
- ⇒ A very positive response towards PAFA activities. The PAFA team is run by volunteers. Their time, effort and success deserve to be applauded as any funding raised is vital to Halstead School.
- ⇒ The majority of parents demonstrated a keen interest in having a breakfast club. This initiative has been discussed and is being perceived as a huge benefit to children, by sometimes improving their punctuality, therefore increasing attendance, together with : healthy eating and social development. We shall keep you informed of the latest development.

Parental Comments

Once again we received some written feedback both positive and constructive with particular mentions for the school's strong sense of community, its caring, enthusiastic and motivated staff and its warm and welcoming atmosphere. Thank you very much for this.

Finally, we would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every member of our staff at Halstead Community Primary School, all of whom work extremely hard to provide a motivating and fun environment in which our pupils can learn. As a Board of Governors we will strive to provide the support and tools they need to carry on providing an excellent education to our pupils.

We would like to thank all the parents who took the time to complete and return our parent questionnaires. The Governors are pleased to know that whilst there are some improvement points the results suggest that there is a high level of parental satisfaction in the quality and provision at HCPS.

Halstead school is a lovely school. We are all committed to making it even better.

Patricia M Dunmall
(Chair of Governors)