

## Results of the Parent Questionnaire - Sent out November 2012

67 (38%) returned out of a possible 178

Not all rows will add up to 68, as sometimes 2 boxes were ticked, and some boxes were not ticked at all.

Statement	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Added comments
My child is happy at this school	51	16	0	0	
My child feels safe at this school	52	14	1	0	
My child makes good progress at this school	52	14	1	0	
My child is well looked after at this school	55	11	1	0	
My child is taught well at this school	53	14	0	0	
My child receives appropriate homework for their age	45	21	2	0	
This school deals effectively with bullying	30	18	2	1	20 commented that they had no experience of bullying to rate it. 16 of those people didn't give a grade.
This school ensures the pupils are well behaved	43	21	1	1	
This school responds well to any concern I raise	41	22	1	0	Some did not tick as had not raised issues
I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress over the year	44	20	0	0	
This school is well led and managed	45	19	0	0	
I would recommend this school to another parent	57	9	0	0	

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