**School Self Evaluation – Questionnaire for Parents**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As part of our School Self Evaluation process we undertook a survey of parents during year 2023-2024. There were 85 surveys returned. This represents about 70% of pupils though it may represent more as some families completed one survey for all children. We are very grateful that you took the time to complete the survey and we are delighted to get your feedback. We have studied your responses and will do our best to include your suggestions and comments in our School Improvement Plan.

Below are the responses from the Parental Survey for your information.

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|  | Yes | No | Don’t Know |
| My child likes reading | 91.5% | 8.5% | 0% |
| My child is doing well at reading | 93.5% | 6.5% | 0% |
| I often listen to my child reading aloud | 85.5% | 14% | 0.5% |
| I get good information from the school report and the Parent Teacher meeting about my child’s progress in English each year. | 75.5% | 16.5% | 13% |
| My child likes Maths. | 83% | 15% | 2% |
| I know my child’s strengths and weaknesses in Maths | 85% | 14% | 1% |
| My child regularly requires help to complete Maths homework. | 35% | 65% | 0% |
| I get good information from the school report and the Parent Teacher meeting about my child’s progress in Maths each year. | 85% | 7% | 8% |
| My child is developing positive attitudes to learning. | 95% | 2% | 3% |
| There is a happy learning atmosphere in the school. | 98% | 0.5% | 1.5% |
| Parents are welcome in the school. | 91% | 3% | 6% |
| The school discipline policy is fair and effective. | 89% | 0% | 11% |

Please turn over: Questions continue overleaf.

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| **Are there any ways the school could help you or your child with English (Spoken, Reading or Writing)**  Word sheets for the pupils  Paired Reading  Information for parents on phonics, hand writing, oral language  Possibility of a reading club/book club in school or organise a Readathon.  More Reading books available for all levels in school/More Library time in school. Reading for fun  Teachers could encourage pupils more to read outside school.  Ensure all homework is corrected and greater emphasis on spelling and grammar. | |
| **Are there any ways the school could help you or your child with Maths?**  More fun maths games.  Practical Maths work.  Class for Parents on how to do Maths-subtraction, fractions, long division  Continue to focus on Maths tables.  Higher concept Maths for more able students. | |
| **Is there any way the school can improve its approach to homework?**  Less/No homework when weather is good.  Keeping a balance in all subject areas, don’t give too much and ensuring homework corrected.  Help for parents with regard to Irish Homework.  Online/Fun/Project based homework.  Homework Blog on website | |
| As there were a huge number of comments in the areas in which you consider our school is doing well  or an area where our school could improve, I have included those mentioned by several people. | |
| **Doing Well**  Green Flag Activities, Active Flag activities, assemblies, after school active club, encouraging Reading, Writing, Homework, Communication, Book Rental, Swimming, Maths, Self confidence building, Outings, Approachable staff, Fun Days, School facilities, Learning Support, Spiritual Education, Discipline, Extra Curricular activities, Music, school administration, parental & community involvement, positive atmosphere, sport and early intervention. Excellent standard of teaching in the school, good balance between academic and other activities, something for everyone. | **Could Improve.** positive notes in journals, less homework/more homework/consistent homework, would love a foreign language taught at a basic level in the school, after school music/instrument lessons, group work, involve parents in some classes i.e reading/maths  Some people asked for changes in areas over which we have no control as they are dictated by rules of the Department of Education. These include: Increasing PE time and increasing the length of lunch time. The Department of Education recommends one Parent Teacher meeting per year. In order to accommodate further meetings we have always had the policy that parents can make an appointment to speak with a teacher at any other time during the school year to discuss pupil progress. |