



**Parent Feedback Document 2010 – findings and responses to the school’s Parent Consultation Questionnaire (January 2010)**

This feedback document provides a synopsis of this year’s parent consultation which was conducted in January 2010. This years questionnaire is based upon the new Ofsted Inspection Framework and contains new questions. It is therefore impossible to provide a comparison with the returns of 2009.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
1 My child enjoys school	48%	46%	4%	2%	
Comment: <i>Half the battle in providing an excellent standard of education is to secure the engagement and enjoyment of learners. It is good to learn that the vast majority of our parents feel that their children enjoy coming to school.</i>					
2 The school keeps my child safe	67%	33%			
Comment: <i>The safety of the children in our care is of paramount importance. It is good to learn that parents feel that the staff ensure that their children are safe and well cared for.</i>					
3 My school informs me about my child's progress	29%	69%	1%	1%	
Comment: <i>Should you have any concerns regarding the progress of your child please make an appointment to discuss the matter with your child's class teacher. There will be an opportunity to discuss your child's progress during your forthcoming Open Evening appointment.</i>					
4 My child is making enough progress at this school	50%	48%			2%
Comment: <i>As above.</i>					
5 The teaching is good at this school	60%	39%			1%
Comment: <i>Teaching at St. John's has been repeatedly found to be 'outstanding'. Our excellent teachers ensure that the academic standards at our school are amongst the highest in the country and this is borne out by the findings of inspection and our very strong school performance data.</i>					
6 The school helps me to support my child's learning	38%	62%			
Comment: <i>The new school website contains some useful web links to support your child's learning and also provides an overview of what your child will be learning in class. Should you require more detail as to how you can support your child's learning please contact your child's class teacher to make an appointment or discuss any matters of interest at your forthcoming Open Evening appointment.</i>					
	Strongly agree	Tend to agree	Tend to disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
7 The school helps my child to have a healthy lifestyle	60%	40%			
Comment: <i>As a 'National Healthy School' we are pleased that parents recognise our efforts to ensure that the children are well looked after and are taught and encouraged to make healthy choices.</i>					

8 The school makes sure that my child is well prepared for the future	50%	48%			2%
<p>Comment:  <i>It is good to know that parents consider that the school is well focused upon ensuring that children are well prepared for the future.</i></p>					
9 The school meets my child's particular needs	50%	44%	4%		2%
<p>Comment:  <i>The school is committed to inclusion and the personalisation of learning for each individual. We have recently introduced a new curriculum and we know that this has had a positive impact upon the children's enjoyment of their learning.</i></p>					
10 The school deals effectively with unacceptable behaviour	38%	52%	4%		6%
<p>Comment:  <i>Unacceptable behaviour is just that; unacceptable. The school will continue to work with parents to ensure that our children continue to tell us, as they did in the November 2009 Pupil Consultation exercise, that they feel happy and safe in school.</i></p>					
11 The school takes account of my suggestions and concerns	26%	60%			14%
<p>Comment:  <i>The school actively encourages and appreciates the excellent support and ideas that we receive from both parents and grand parents. We are always considering new and improved ways of involving parents in the day to day life of our school and I will be writing to you in the near future with further opportunities to be involved with activities in school.</i></p>					
12 The school is led and managed effectively	64%	36%			
<p>Comment:  <i>Whilst leadership and management at all levels was found to be 'outstanding' by Ofsted, the Staff, Governors and I continue to strive for excellence in overall provision for the children and families of St. John's.</i></p>					
13 Overall, I am happy with my child's experience at this school	80%	19%	1%		
<p>Comment:  <i>It is good to learn that the overwhelming majority of parents think that we at St. John's provide a good standard of educational provision for their children. We will, of course, continue to strive to secure further improvements for the school.</i></p>					
14 The school has good links with the church (e.g. clergy take regular services/children visit church)	88%	12%			
<p>Comment:  <i>We have worked hard in recent years to deepen and to extend our links with the church community and are pleased to discover that parents feel that our work has been successful. This has included introducing new Easter and Christingle services and last year an outdoor Patronal Festival in Summer. We have hosted visitors from both the local and the worldwide Christian community (e.g. Zambian children, Rob Lilwall and the Headteacher of Net Matriculation school, India) and of course the clergy continue to make regular visits to lead services in school. We will continue to build upon our distinct Christian character in 2010 through the work of the 'Church and School Link Group'.</i></p>					
15 The school has a strong and clear Christian Foundation	92%	8%			
<p>Comment:  <i>We are proud to be the only church school in Keynsham. Our denominational status makes our school both unique and special. Our school is founded upon Christian values and high expectations which are embodied in our ethos statement. This can be found in the school prospectus and on the school website. We were, of course, incredibly proud of being assessed as being an 'outstanding church school' following inspection by the Church of England.</i></p>					