

# Farsley Farfield Primary School Annual Parent Survey 2023

We carried out a survey of parents in July 2023. We got 236 responses: a good rate of return but slightly lower than last year. This may be partly explained by our other recent request for feedback on the Ofsted ParentView portal. This short summary document reports back on some of the key questions in the survey. Staff and governors will look at responses in more detail.

For tracking of responses over time, see the <u>appendix</u> at the end of the document.

## Key feedback:

#### Happiness

98.5% of children were quite or very happy last year, with over two thirds providing the 'very happy' response.

Q6. Generally, how happy has your child been in school this year? <sup>234</sup> responses



#### Bullying

A very large majority of children never experienced what might be felt was bullying. Five children were reported to feel that they are victims of on-going bullying, principally within established 'friendship' groups. Four of these children will be in school again in September (one was in Y6) and this will be proactively addressed. 2/3s of parents whose children reported that bullying had been an issue previously, reported the school's response as being good or excellent.

Q9. Has your child been the victim of bullying this academic year? Bullying would be classed as targeted and repeated behaviour that hurts someo...ing rumours, threatening or undermining someone. <sup>235</sup> responses



#### **Educational Progress**

From their many and varied starting points, children almost always progress well academically at Farfield. Over 99% of parents were pleased with their children's progress in 22-23, and over three quarters were very pleased.



Q16. How pleased are you with the educational progress of your child? <sup>234</sup> responses

#### **Overall Experience**

Over 80% of parents regarded their children's overall experience at Farfield as 'Excellent' and 98% regarded it as good or better. Five families reported their child's experience as merely satisfactory: one child in Y2, one in Y4, two in Y5 and one in Y6. We have some information now that we can work on to try to improve this further for these families.



Q17. Overall, how highly would you rate your child's experience at Farfield? 235 responses

### Conclusion

This is a strong set of feedback and we are pleased that the hard work of the staff has had such a positive impact on the families' experience of our school. Where improvements can be made, we shall endeavour to do so. Teachers and pastoral staff will work through the feedback to inform their work in the new term.

Example comments and tracking over time below...

#### **Example comments**

Both my children have had an amazing experience at Farfield..we shall miss this school! Thanks so much! Y6 parent

Having a decade's experience in Primary School education, it's a joy and first I can think of no suggestions or aspects to improve on. We feel blessed to be part of this school community and to see & be involved in its future also. Reception parent

*I have appreciated having more notice of events and training days through tour the year. I hope it continues.* Y4 parent

As a general observation, I am very happy with the school and it's diversity. This is one of the reasons I had picked the school. I noticed this year and it seems to be a common trend that whilst we are diverse, we are not looking into the occasions of other religions apart from Christmas/Eid. Understandably there's a big Christmas event that takes place, but then there's also Eid which is undertaken by the PTA. In thriving to be a diverse school, I feel kids need to understand there are different occasions such as Vaisakhi, Diwali etc which are celebrated by Hindu or Sikh families. Instead when Eid was celebrated and my child asks if this is something we too celebrate, I had to educate my child on the fact that we celebrate other occasions like Vaisakhi or Diwali. I feel if we pay attention to other religions we are promoting a more equal and diverse balance. Overall, my child loves this school and I have no issues or concerns. Reception parent

xxxxx had a brilliant year this year. xxx was recently diagnosed as dyslexic and has found it difficult to deal with some negative emotions, but the support xxx received at Farfield was excellent. Thank you to everyone who worked with xxx and supported xxx this year. KS2 parent

A massive thank you to all the staff for all the effort put in and outside of school hours to give the children access to a broad range of enrichment opportunities. Y5 parent

xxxxx has had an amazing start to her Farfield journey. The staff in Nursery are incredibly knowledgable and make you feel at ease. xxxxxx has come on so much over the year and I would like to thank all of the staff for contributing to that. She has grown in confidence and independence and I know this will continue throughout her time at Farfield. Nursery parent

We are extremely happy with the school and its leadership. Both academically and the extracurricular activities shown nothing is too much trouble.XXXX has enjoyed the normal learning school brings together with all the bells and whistles such as Rugby in PE, school trips, the school camp over, school disco, special mentions etc. Also, communication is excellent. Y1 parent

The school has helped improve my child's confidence to a great extent. Taking him for tennis coaching, geography trips to Burnsall and other activities just show that the school has gone above and beyond to help nurture every child to the fullest. Y4 parent

Thank you for providing an amazing first year at Farfield for xxxx. I cannot fault this school one bit. Mrs Puddiphatt has been amazing with xxxxx as have both Miss Massanett and Mrs Dennison. Thank you for taking such great care of xxxx and teaching her lots of amazing things. She absolutely loves coming to school. Reception parent

xxxx has loved every minute of Reception! Thank you for providing such a wonderful place to feed her imagination and to learn. Reception parent

We have been let down by the response to some situations with the victim being blamed and not the perpetrator. The perpetrator is protected which doesn't send the right message to the individual who has done no wrong. We feel the disciplinary procedures could be looked at. LKS2 parent

We are very happy with xxxx's progress this year. He has had an amazing year with lots of different experiences. He has developed a fantastic relationship with Mrs Begum who has helped xxx to achieve his best and develop as an all rounder.

Would also like to thank Mr Harris and everyone else who support us as parents in helping our child to achieve the best possible outcome ...... in striving to achieve the best for the children at Farsley Farfield. Y3 parent

xxxxx has progressed well with a strong friendship group since Reception. He will miss Farfield very much. The teachers and staff have been brilliant. The school is quick at responding and the support staff go out of their way to ensure queries are addressed. Y6 parent

xxxxx has excelled since he started in Reception. He is a keen learner and the broad curriculum at Farfield certainly keeps him occupied. The class are all friendly and teachers have been very brilliant. I accompanied the teachers on a school trip recently and was impressed by how organised the staff were. Y4 parent

Fantastic school, full of rich experiences both at school and outside of school. Y5 parent

I thought the attendance letter that is sent home is quite confrontational as my child has been late by around 10-15 mins quite a few times however the minutes she has missed is nowhere near the time the pupils that where off class because of striking. Y1 parent

Thank you for everything that you and the staff do. It is a great school and offers so much for the children. Y3 parent

The communication from Farfield, regarding xxxx's additional needs, has been excellent and we're really happy with the level of inclusivity in the school. KS2 parent

As a parent with disability needs I feel farsley farfield primary school excelled them selves in helping not only the pupils of the school but parents and carers alike. KS2 parent

An outstanding school created by outstanding staff Y3 parent

# <u>Appendix 1</u>

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2021	2022	2023
Total Responses	144	207	258	141	230	225	267	236
Quite or very happy?	96	99	98	98	93	98	97	99
Behaviour good or better?	89	91	87	89	81	91	92	92
Manners good or better?	91	95	92	96	93	97	94	-
Victim of bullying at some point in the year?	16	14	20	21	24	9	11	9
On-going victim of bullying?	6	4	3	3	7	3	2	5
Pleased or very pleased with educational progress?	NA	97	99	96	95	99	97	99
Experience of Farfield Good or Excellent?	NA	98	98	96	88	97	97	98
Experience of Farfield Excellent?	NA	71	76	68	65	75	79	80

### Tracking of % or number of responses to the annual Parents' Survey