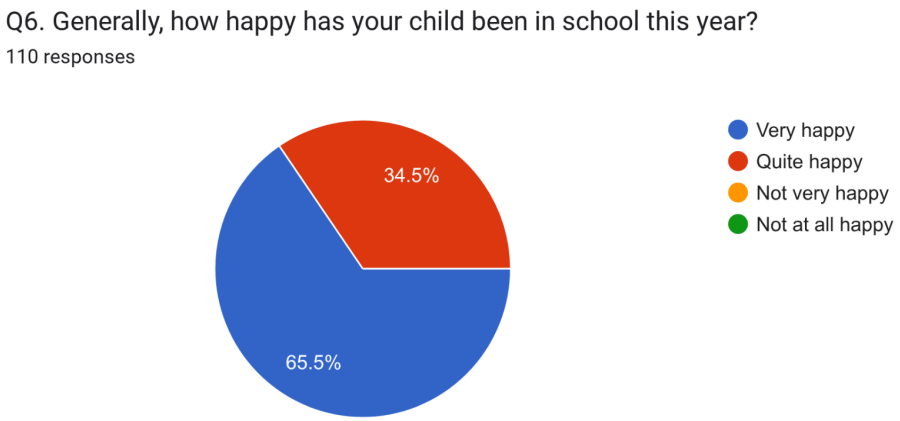
Farsley Farfield Primary School
Annual Parent Survey 2026

We carried out a survey of parents in July 2026. We got over 100 responses: a decent rate of return but lower than usual, particularly low from the EYFS. This short summary document reports back on some of the key questions in the survey. For tracking of responses over time, see the appendix at the end of the document.

Key feedback:

Happiness

All the children were quite or very happy last year, with two-thirds being 'very happy'.

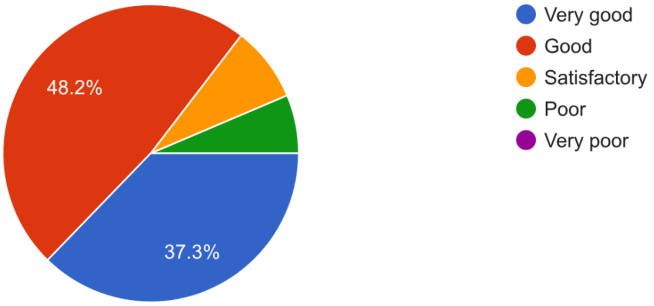


Behaviour

Children's behaviour at Farfield is usually good. We are aware of some challenging behaviour from some children in certain year groups, particularly at the younger end of the school. There are typically some diagnosed SEND needs relating to this.

Q7. From what you see or hear, how highly would you rate the general behaviour of children in your child's class?

110 responses

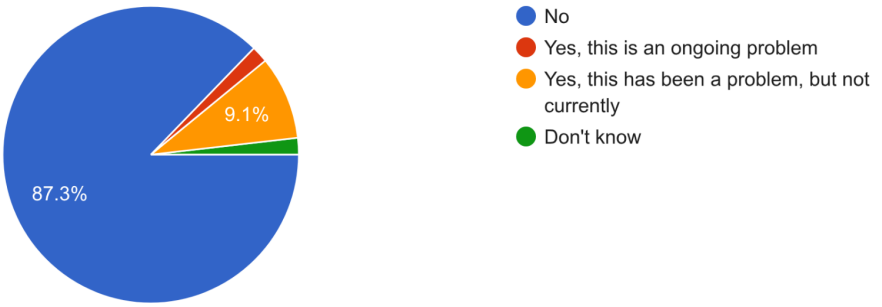


Bullying

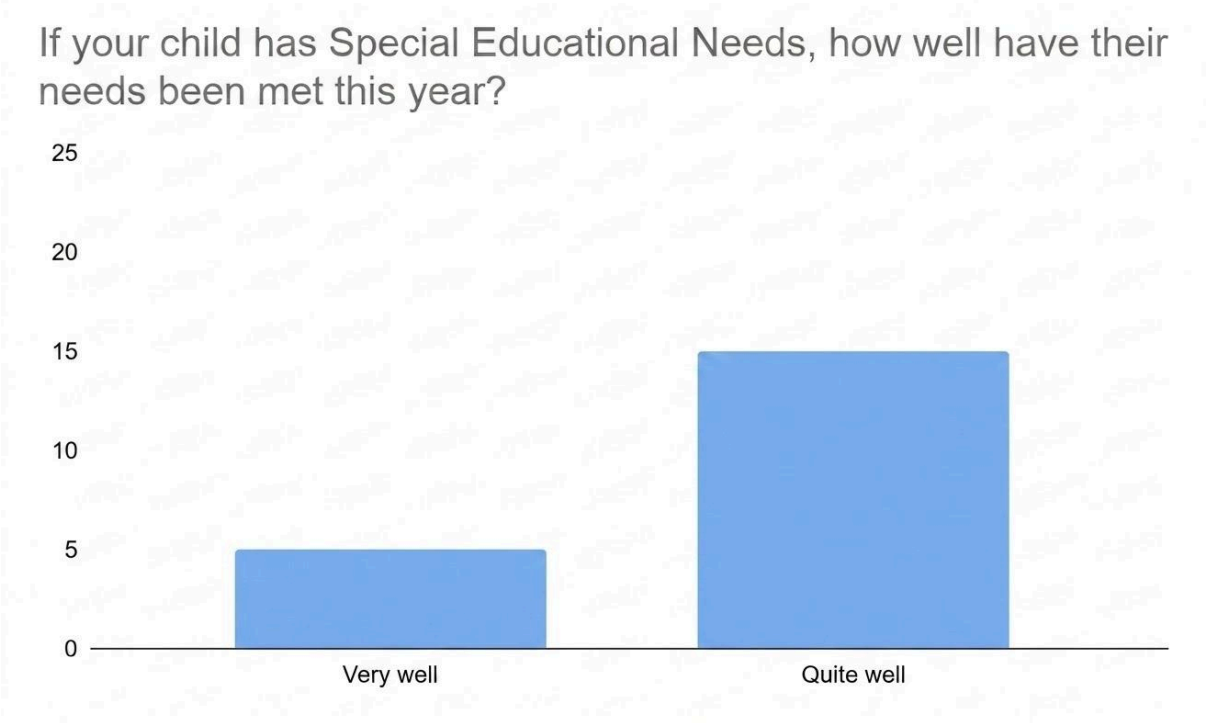
A very large majority of children never experienced what might be felt as bullying. Most parents whose children reported that bullying had been an issue, reported the school's response as being good or excellent. Two families reported on-going bullying: in one of these cases, this was the first time it had been mentioned/raised.

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

110 responses



Special Educational Needs

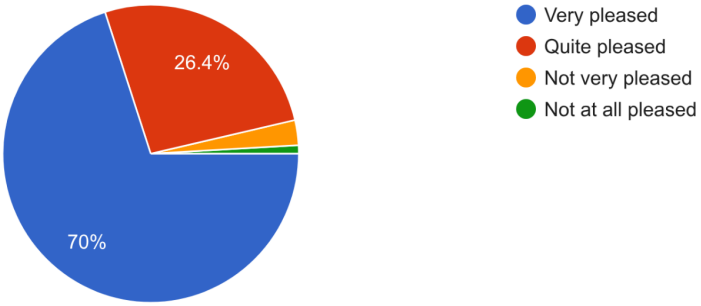


Educational Progress

From their many and varied starting points, children almost always progress well academically at Farfield. 96% of parents were pleased with their children's progress in 25-6, and 70% were very pleased.

Q17. How pleased are you with the educational progress of your child?

110 responses

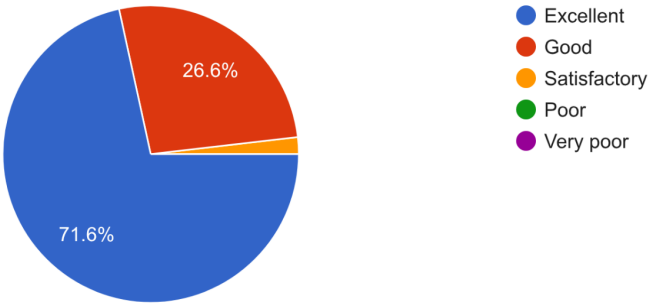


Overall Experience

Almost three quarters of parents regarded their children's overall experience at Farfield as 'Excellent' and 98% regarded it as good or better.

Q18. Overall, how highly would you rate your child's experience at Farfield?

109 responses



Conclusion

This is another strong piece 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.

Free text feedback

1. General Praise, Gratitude, and Ethos (22 Parents)

- 20 parents used the text box to offer warm thanks, praise staff dedication, or express general satisfaction with their children's progress.
- 2 parents specifically praised the outdoor ethos, school farm, cookery, and residentials.
- 2 parents gave direct praise for specialised SEND support, specifically noting how *The Orchard* transformed their child's experience.

2. Classroom Behaviour & Disruption (8 Parents)

- 3 parents raised concerns about Year 1 classroom behaviour and language exposure.
- 1 parent raised concerns about Year 4 classroom disruption delaying learning.
- 4 parents mentioned individual peer incidents or broader classroom disruption impacting learning atmosphere.

3. Site Security, Parking, and Premises (10 Parents)

- 4 parents requested tighter perimeter security, including locked main gates or fixing the Fun Club gate intercom.
- 3 parents cited dangerous parking or drop-off driving around the lower school.
- 2 parents raised individual safety/supervision incidents.
- 1 parent suggested moving football to the field during playtimes.

4. Individual Staffing, TA, and Learning Support Concerns (5 Parents)

- 1 parent raised an issue regarding a specific TA and an unreturned email.
- 1 parent felt her daughter needed more targeted support in class despite not being on the SEN register.

- 1 parent noted concerns around shared TA allocations and supply teacher continuity.
- 1 parent noted a missed Speech and Language review under an EHCP.
- 1 parent felt drop-off interactions with a class teacher were not as approachable as expected.

Example comments

“We cannot praise all the staff enough for their dedication and teaching. Both boys have progressed over the year, are well supported and are happy attending school. This is a very special school community with clear values around kindness and sustainability driven by leadership…. Thank you everyone!” Y6 parent

“XXXX took a little while to settle into nursery but the staff were really amazing with him. He's absolutely loved his time there once settled, we hugely appreciate the kindness of the staff and how caring they've been.” Nursery parent

“XXXX has had a wonderful learning experience at Farsley Farfield. He has made brilliant progress with his reading and maths and has made lots of friends. His teachers and TAs have all had a positive influence and we are very pleased with his first year at primary school.” Rec parent

“We love Farsley Farfield and the educational experience being provided to xxxxxx. From cookery, to the farm, to art, maths, English and even a skipping and science competition- it feels like such a rich and well-rounded offering. xxxxxx is so happy at school and has a diverse set of friends. We love that Farsley is a ‘muddy school’ and hope the philosophy of the current head will continue under the new leadership.” Y2 parent

“Before The Orchard was introduced, xxxx was really struggling in the school setting. Since The Orchard however, we have seen a massive improvement in how happy and settled xxx is, and has since then been making small progress in … learning. We hope in year 2 through The Orchard and classroom, xxxxx’’ll be able to catch up with … peers.” Y1 parent

“Thanks to all the teachers and staff at Farfield for yet another brilliant year of teaching and support. xxxxx is happy to go to school, enjoys learning, has been given lots of opportunities to take part in a wide range of activities, and has been fully supported - academically and beyond. I feel confident that the staff at Farfield are caring, nurturing, considerate and are providing the support and opportunities for xxxxxx to thrive. Her end of year report is additional evidence of this. Thanks so much again.” Y3

Appendix 1

Tracking of % of responses to the annual Parents' Survey

	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Total Responses	144	207	258	141	230	225	267	236	177	184	110
Quite or very happy?	96	99	98	98	93	98	97	99	98	98	100
Behaviour good or better?	89	91	87	89	81	91	92	92	95	94	86
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	9	13	13
On-going victim of bullying (number)?	6	4	3	3	7	3	2	5	3	4	2
Pleased or very pleased with educational progress?	NA	97	99	96	95	99	97	99	98	99.4	96
Experience of Farfield Good or Excellent?	NA	98	98	96	88	97	97	98	98	98	98
Experience of Farfield Excellent?	NA	71	76	68	65	75	79	80	83	81	72