

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2013.

Dear Parents,

Please find attached a summary of the results of our annual parent questionnaire sent out in February.

You will see that we had a total of 48 responses which represents 21% of the school role. This does not mean that they represent the views of 48 parents, however, as some parents with more than one child opted to send in more than one questionnaire to reflect the experience of each individual child.

Although there was a small response rate we still value your views and look at them seriously. We are particularly pleased that 3 of the 12 questions/statements received a 100% positive response with a further 4 yielding a 90%+ positive response. The biggest negative response was to the following statement "My child receives appropriate homework for their age" where 15% disagreed.

Our homework policy (see attached) sets out that homework for every class from Y1 upwards is set on the same day with similar content and that there is a clear expectation that parents are involved with their children's learning out of school. Please remember that if parents have any concerns over homework they should feel free to discuss them with the class teacher. It is also worth noting that the two opposing views that parents hold around there either not being enough homework or there being too much is a common issue in schools which often leads to this aspect of the questionnaire being an area of dissatisfaction.

It is also worth noting that 30% of respondents did not know whether we deal effectively with bullying. This can be interpreted in two ways:

1. That parents do not feel that their child has been bullied and therefore they do not need to know how the school deals with it
2. That parents are unsure of how any bullying issues have been resolved.

In each class we display a child friendly anti bullying policy which was developed with the children over a period of time. Please find a copy attached as it is a good summary of how we deal with bullying.

We would like to thank all those parents who took their time to air their views. We would also like to encourage parents to approach us directly about your views on the school. Class teachers and senior staff are always present and available on the playground at the beginning and end of the school day. If there is a particular member of staff you would like to speak to and they are not immediately available, please make an appointment through the school office.

Yours sincerely,

J. Burt

Parent questionnaire analysis 2013. whole school.

48 responses = 20% of school role. 1 response = 2% STATEMENTS	strongly agree	agree	<i>positive response</i>	disagree	strongly disagree	<i>negative response</i>	don't know
My Child is happy at Friars	65%	33%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
My child feels safe at Friars	63%	38%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
My child makes good progress at Friars	50%	42%	92%	6%	0%	6%	2%
My child is well looked after at Friars	48%	52%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%
My child is taught well at Friars	54%	42%	96%	0%	0%	0%	4%
My child receives appropriate homework for their age	40%	44%	84%	15%	0%	15%	2%
Friars makes sure its pupils are well behaved	48%	44%	92%	0%	2%	2%	6%
Friars deals effectively with bullying	27%	40%	67%	2%	2%	4%	30%
Friars is well led and managed	44%	33%	77%	10%	0%	10%	13%
Friars responds well to any concerns I raise	33%	50%	83%	0%	6%	6%	10%
I receive valuable information from friars about my childs progress	40%	35%	75%	10%	0%	10%	15%
QUESTION				1 questionnaire not answered			
Would you recommend Friars to another parent?			96%	1 questionnaire spoiled			not applicable

Historical response rate:

2008 - 37% of school role

2009 - 48% of school role

2010 - 31% of school role

2011 - na

2012 - 15% of school role

2013 - 20% of school role