



LIONEL WALDEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR PARENTS - JULY 2021

15 returns (actual figures given with percentages in brackets)

		STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DO NOT KNOW
1	My child is happy at this school.	14 (93%)	1 (7%)			
		100%				
2	My child feels safe at this school.	14 (93%)	1 (7%)			
		100%				
3	The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved.	7 (47%)	7 (47%)	1		
		94%				
4	My child has been bullied and the school dealt with the bullying quickly and effectively.		1 (7%)	1		13 (no experience of bullying)
		93% positive				
5	The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year.	9 (60%)	5 (33%)			1
		93%				
6	When I have raised concerns with the school they have been dealt with properly.	10 (67%)	5 (33%)			
		100%				
7	Does your child have special educational needs or disabilities? Please circle YES or NO If yes, how strongly do you agree with this statement: My child has SEND and the school gives them the support they need to succeed.					
8	The school has high expectations for my child.	8 (53%)	6 (40%)			1
		93%				
9	My child does well at this school.	9 (60%)	6 (40%)			
		100%				

10	The school lets me know how my child is doing.	9 (60%)	6 (40%)			
		100%				
11	There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school.	8 (53%)	7 (47%)			
		100%				
12	My child can take part in clubs and activities at this school (in normal times).	6 (40%)	6 (40%)	1		2
		80%				
13	The school supports my child's wider personal development.	7 (47%)	7 (47%)			1
		94%				
14	I would recommend this school to another parent.	PLEASE CIRCLE AS APPROPRIATE:		YES = 15 (100%)	NO	

In the following sections, please also include any comments which relate specifically to how the school has operated during the Covid pandemic (communication with parents, information for parents, routines and procedures, adaptations to the school day/organisation of the school, remote learning, etc).

What do you think our school is good at?

Communication is second to none

Communication is excellent - staff are happy to take calls and receive emails

Communication is very good

Communication with children and parents

Excellent levels of communication especially relating to Covid-19 - all adaptations were clear, communicated to parents and implemented successfully

Polite and friendly staff

Staff are very welcoming in the mornings

Providing a comfortable and welcoming place to be

The school is safe and well managed and the staff are friendly and professional

Listening to parents

Routines have been highly organised and adhered to during Covid to make sure everyone is kept safe and well

Positive measures have been taken to balance Covid requirements

The school staff were very organised during the pandemic - things went smoothly at drop off and collection times. We were kept updated and were provided with assignments (home-schooling) - we liked receiving the feedback emails - there was good communication between home and school - my child was kept safe during this hard time and enjoyed going to school.

The school is an asset to the local community and supported the children and parents well in the pandemic. The second lockdown home-schooling material was well structured and the right amount and inevitably has learnings from the first lockdown - well done everyone and thank you for all your hard work and extra time and effort this requires as teachers were teaching in class and running home-schooling at the same time - twice the job!

I cannot rate the school highly enough - real feeling of togetherness and caring for the children even before Covid. The whole team have excelled during this pandemic in ensuring that the best interests of the children are put first.

The work sent out during lockdown was informative and much appreciated - the weekly phone calls home to see if we had any problems or needed help were great
Extra support has been very helpful when any issues have been highlighted
The school clubs offered during normal times are quite varied and of great interest to the children
Providing lots of different activities in and out of the school day - having a healthy social life that the children are encouraged to join in with
Wide range of extra activities such as swimming, Science Week etc make school even more informative and enjoyable
Making learning fun for the children and bringing out the best in them
Helping children to grow in confidence, keeping parents in the loop with how they are doing and communicating with parents all the time about things going on with school
Weekly tests on spelling and multiplication tables
Always putting in 100%
Giving my child the education and support he needs
Praise, confidence building, expecting values and manners... the list could go on!
My child has thrived at this school with fantastic relationships with all staff and fellow pupils.
A broad range of learning throughout school time and in lockdown
The school had wonderful contact with us throughout the lockdown period - any queries were answered and help was always offered - there was so much support and nothing was ever too much trouble - our needs were met even though it was an emotionally hard for staff too.
My child joined Year 4 this year - she has settled into this school with ease. I have been particularly impressed with the presence of the Headteacher each morning at the school gate greeting the children as they come into school. I am also impressed with the fact that my child's teacher or teaching assistant listens to her read each week and records it in a book which is sent home.

What do you think we could do better?

Nothing - we love the school and the staff could not be any more supportive than they already are!

PE sometimes gets called off - PE is important for teamwork, mental health and physical benefits and it has been lovely to see the children out on the field during the pandemic - the school has handled so much during the pandemic - all have done fantastically well.

My child missed being able to play more sports outdoors (the hall was not used when Covid restrictions were in place)

Informing parents of all injuries/incidents - my child was helped, thank you, but I was not informed on this occasion

A return to more school trips and sporting events once Covid restrictions are lifted together with additional subjects such as life skills and first aid

Realise that not every child is academic - the school is well-known for its focus and success but not every child thrives in that environment and can feel lacking

More live lessons via Teams during lockdown - a webcam pointing at the board while the teachers carried out adapted lessons?

A more constructive approach to fostering accountability and behavioural change where children display repeated negative behaviour

I would like to see more extra-curricular activities again

Please add any other suggestions/comments here:

The fact that the Head stands at the gate every morning and says good morning to every child by name, the fact that when you email the Office they know your child's name and their group of friends, the fact that the classteacher has a real bond with the children and the children love her, shows what an excellent school and its team are.

My child's teacher has been amazing - my child's attitude to learning is down to the hard work put in by the teacher - thank you.

A massive thank you to all at the school, from Bev (and her amazing pizza), to the caretaker, to the teaching assistants and all the staff - the children have got through this pandemic relatively well which is down to the school team's hard work and efforts.

Thank you to all the staff who have had the children's best interests at heart during such an unknown and challenging time for everyone.

A huge thank you for the hard work and effort you have all put in over this last difficult year - whether my child has been in school or working from home, he has felt comfortable, confident and happy. During home schooling, I did notice a slight decline in his reading and spelling ability but as soon as he returned to school he soon got back to where he needed to be - and that it thanks to the staff who, despite having a tough year themselves, have still put in 100% effort to ensure our children have got the best.

Thank you for all your hard work in making sure that our children were safe and for making as normal as possible for them. It was a hard year for everyone so knowing that my child was at school getting his education and was safe made it easier to get through - hopefully things will be a bit more normal in September.

We honestly feel that all staff have had an emotionally draining time throughout the pandemic but they pulled together to create a new way of providing support and learning - if there was anything we needed, the teachers and support staff were all available to help.

Thank you for all that you do for my child every day.

The purchase of an AED (defibrillator)

Keep the one-way system (drop off and collection times) post Covid

More random teacher training days - not just tagged on to the start/end of a half-term break

Our child tells us of negative behaviour of others - I have no doubt that steps are taken to address this but it is ongoing.