

PARENT SURVEY – 2016

Results of Survey –Sinai Jewish Primary School

The results of the Parent Survey have been collated. The survey included the option for parents to include additional observations and we have selected some of the most commonly repeated themes in the comments section under each question.

Question				Overall Agree
Does your child enjoy coming to school?				93%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He feels at home, he loves his friends and always gets a very warm welcome from all the children and he is very fond of his own teachers. • The friendships and the general atmosphere at the school • He is stimulated educationally and enjoys playing with friends 				
I feel that the quality of teaching and learning in the school has improved in the last few years				80%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Although we have only been in the school for 2 years, I know that from discussions with other parents the level is very good. • The bar has definitely been raised over the years that my children have been at the school, children are being challenged more and teaching is far more dynamic. 				
My child is making good progress in English				86%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My child's reading and writing have really improved • She has made outstanding progress in English this year • I feel that there could be a stronger emphasis on formal English comprehension lower down the school. 				
My child is making good progress in Mathematics				78.0%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As the children are taught using different methods to those we were taught at school it would be helpful to have more information so that we can help them without confusing them • It would be a good idea for the Maths teachers to be available at parents evening 				
My child is making good progress in Jewish Studies				82%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My son always enjoys the Jewish Studies – the teachers seem to be enthusiastic and capture his imagination • All JS teachers are nurturing and encouraging 				
My child is making good progress in all other Subjects				90.1%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The French and Art teachers are maazing • Would like to hear more about History and Geography that takes place 				
	YES	NO	N/A	
If applicable, your child's specific Special Educational Needs are catered for	9.52%	4.76%	77.15%	
My Child has experienced persistent bullying in the school in the last year	12.73%	87.27%		
If yes, were incidents of bullying dealt with quickly and effectively	42.11%	57.89%		
Are you satisfied with the level of e-safety information provided by the school?				93.46%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended the session last term and was very impressed -certainly like the school to take initiative to put on more of these fundamentally important workshops • Good update to parents offered. 				

Did you attend the school's parents meeting about e-safety	85.59%
My child feels safe in school	96.27%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • very impressed with the schools security • Yes But recently due to events is slightly uneasy 	
As a parent in the school I feel welcome in the school	94.07%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Louise on reception is always warm and friendly. The teachers always smile and say hello • The community at Sinai is brilliant. 	
There are lots of opportunities for parents to attend school events	87.12%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chanukah is always enjoyable although the organisation of getting parents and children into the hall does seem to take a very long time. Mock Seder is also an enjoyable event. • Chanukah show was lovely. A really amazing feeling 	
I feel that School Reports and Parents Evenings provide helpful information about my child's progress	85.93%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes. Especially in Jewish studies. • For this year yes, others no 	
There is a good standard of behaviour and discipline in the school	87.22%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall the behaviour is good. But it's the same kids who ruin it for the others and their behaviour isn't dealt with. • Strong discipline is very important - want the children to be more quiet in assemblies if possible 	
I feel that the teachers are caring and nurturing	96.27%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • My children's teachers are absolutely wonderful and caring. I could not wish for better professionals • Beyond brilliant especially the nursery team 	
The school has a good reputation in the community	97.73%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is a lovely school and everyone knows it! • I would like to see more cross communal activity, to give my children a broader understanding of other cultures and religions. 	
I am proud to send my child/children to this school	96.30%
The school is good at communicating what is going on in the school	84.33%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lots of email communication, including weekly email about the year, and other emails about upcoming events and activities. • The weekly class newsletter is a good development but we now receive no information about the school more generally e.g. when staff join/leave; head boy/head girl. 	
The school is well led and managed?	93.94%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • very impressed with heads of the school • The Assistant Head is approachable and always visible. 	
There are opportunities for all pupils to participate in extra-curricular activities	88.64%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yes - but all costs • Not sure the school offers enough diverse range of after school or lunchtime classes , so definitely need science club, and possibly bring in Spanish lessons to help perhaps parents and pupils 	
My child enjoys the school lunches	62.12%
If you have you moved your child to packed lunches, please provide a reason why	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He is a very fussy eater! No fault of the school... • All her friends are on lunch • Yes. Mainly because of the line-up system and timings. 	

As a parent, is there any particular aspect of the school in which you are pleased?

- The school has a warm community feel which is fantastic for children, teachers and parents - this should always be encouraged.
- The teaching has massively improved under the current leadership; the curriculum is stimulating; our child is stretched and challenged
- The communication with parents is good and the atmosphere when you come into the school is good. I am very pleased with the variety that is covered in year 4 and the approachability of the teachers.
- Security is second to none
- Jewish studies is very strong, Chanukah assemblies and activities surrounding chagim are always enjoyable. Teaching is also good.

As a parent, is there anything that you think the school could do to make life better for your child?

- Not really- I think there is slightly too much homework, kids need family time and some down time to relax/ play and I think sometimes less homework would enable this. I agree some homework needs to be done, but for younger children who are easily tired at the end of the day, I think less homework would be beneficial.
- More language classes specifically Spanish, more focus on sciences - biology, chemistry, and physics specific science lab is required so children can do more time with experimental classes and modules
- I think more homework and activities to do at home would be helpful for my child as she enjoys doing homework at home.
- More staff in the playground at breaks and lunchtime. The dinner staff do not seem to be trained, caring or nurturing!!!!

Summary

The school would like to thank those parents that took the time to complete the survey and share their views on the school.

There are many positive responses from parents and we are pleased that overall the parents are satisfied with the education and service provided by the school.

The school is aware that there remain areas for improvement and the feedback from parents is important and mirrors many areas in which the school has identified need improving.

We will be sharing with parents' developments in the near future that address some of these areas.

Thank you to those parents that completed the Parent Survey (135 responses)