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Catholic Voluntary Academy

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With Jesus we...
Love first,
Live the Gospels,
Learn for Life

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Parent Voice Outcomes

Dear Parent/Carers,

At the last Parent Consultation in the Advent term, parent/carers views were gathered. The table below shows the analysis of the 39 responses we received. Many of these responses are from parents/carers with multiple children in school.

Statements	Strongly Agree or Agree	Strongly Disagree or Disagree	Not sure
My child feels safe at this school	100%		
The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved	97%		3%
The school makes me aware of what my child will learn through the year	94%		6%
My child makes good progress at the school	100%		
When I have raised concerns with the school they have been dealt with properly	100%		
Does your child have special education needs and/or disabilities?	Yes 13%		
My child has SEND and the school given them the support they need to succeed	Yes 100%		
The school has high expectations for my child	94%	3%	3%
My child does well at this school	100%		
The school lets me know how my child is doing	97%		3%
There are a good range of subjects available to my child at this school	100%		
My child can take part in clubs and activities at this school	91%	3%	6%
The school supports my child's wider personal development	100%		
This school supports the Catholic Education of my child.	Yes 100%		
Would you recommend this school to another parent?	Yes 100%		
What do you think to the format of the Open Afternoon and Book Look and should it remain in this way?	Yes I like it and would be happy for it to be repeated in this way next year 80%		

The results indicate that the overwhelming response is positive in many areas. School works hard to ensure the children feel safe, secure, happy to learn, feel motivated to live out the school's mission statement and provide the best possible education and experience for our pupils.

Please find a response to some of the outcomes below:

The school makes me aware of what my child will learn through the year: Yes 94% Unsure 6%
The school lets me know how my child is doing: Yes 97% Unsure 3%

During the Lent term, we offer an appointment at Parent Consultation evening and this term, trialled a more informal drop-in session to view the children's books. During the Lent consultation, the content for the term ahead is discussed along with ways to support your child. There are details for each curriculum area on the school website which provides information about content coverage and the topics your child will be studying along with key vocabulary. Class teachers are also happy to answer any question you may have about topics covered and ways to help. Please click [here](#) to learn more about class topics.

The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved: Yes 97% Unsure 3%

The school has high expectations for my child: Yes 94% Disagree 3% Unsure 6%

At St Patrick's, behaviour management is underpinned by the teachings of the Catholic Church and the School's Mission Statement in showing respect, taking responsibility for our own actions, accepting the consequences resulting from our actions, forgiveness and reconciliation.

Behaviour in and out of the classroom is very good throughout the school day every day. This is a direct result of having high expectations and the Catholic values and ethos being lived out by all pupils and adults in the school community.

To encourage positive behaviour and to address times when a pupil may show unwanted behaviours, we have an effective 'The St Patrick's Way' and 'Good to be Green' behaviour policy. We require all adults, parents, carers and pupils to commit to and support this. The system is delivered fairly and consistently by all in the school community.

The children themselves have been involved in recognising and deciding which behaviours they want to see in school, which behaviours they do not want in school and choosing the rewards and sanctions used throughout school.

Children are rewarded in a variety of ways in classes and across school. They earn House Points daily which they collect to work towards achieving even greater rewards for themselves, their class teams and their House Team. Children are also awarded Value Wristbands, Discipleship Diamonds, are celebrated in fortnightly house Assemblies as either the Mission champion or Star Worker and one child per class per half term is chosen to enjoy a 'Hot Choc with the Head.'

Our Behaviour Management Policy, which includes details on our behaviour initiatives of ***Wonderful Walking, Dress To Impress, SHAPE and SLANT*** can be viewed on our website: <https://shorturl.at/kAJLT>



My child can take part in clubs and activities at this school: Yes 91% Disagree 3% Unsure 3%

Our school is proud to offer a wide range of extracurricular opportunities to enrich our children's experiences beyond the classroom. Last year's clubs included Maths, football, dance, basketball, and Makaton, as well as exciting new additions such as choir club, 'fox cycling' for our youngest children, code club, and art club. We also encouraged family involvement through activities like *Feed the Family for a Fiver* and a family first aid course. This year, we hope to continue and expand these opportunities, including introducing a gardening club for example. As a school, we are always looking for new ways to build and improve our extracurricular offer to support every child's interests and development.

Suggestions For Improvement – School Response

80% of responses indicated that parents/carers were happy with the informal format of this year's Autumn Parents' Consultation. Some parents shared that they would prefer individual time with teachers, particularly

for children new to the school or in Reception, which is completely understandable at the start of their school journey. Next year, these views will be explored and reviewed when planning the Autumn term's consultation.

We also received feedback that parents would love the opportunity to take photos at special events such as sports days and assemblies. While the school must be mindful of safeguarding, GDPR and consent requirements, we will look to include opportunities, for example time after special assemblies, for parents and carers to take photographs and capture these memorable moments.

Parent Comments

It was helpful to read a range of comments from parents which enable us to celebrate our strengths and review potential areas for development. The comments included:

"Happy with both options for Parent's Consultations. My child said that the 'school keeps me safe.' "

"I'm happy with the progress my children is making attending the school."

"Both options for Parent's Consultation have been good experiences Thank you for all your help and support. It has been lovely to see the books and hear how well my child is doing."

"We enjoyed book look but feel we do need a one to one with the teacher for welfare and growth."

"Always grateful for the support."

"The stay and play was great so my child could share their learning environment. I also enjoyed the opportunity to speak to his teacher one to one."

"I think this is brilliant and innovative approach to parents evening and staff well-being. This school is exactly what I want for my child. The staff are all incredibly hard working and are inspirational. Thank you all for the effort and care you show we really appreciate it."

"I'm unable to compare. It's been chaotic for my first school visit as a parent I didn't know what to expect or how it should look."

"I am happy to enrol my child in this school as they have supported my child in their academics and encouraged them greatly, thank you!"

"We have enjoyed this approach to the Autumn parent's evening and think the traditional format will be appropriate for the spring meetings. We are really happy at this school and our children love it here."

"Like both parent's evening formats. Extremely happy with support I've received at the school. Would love it if we were allowed to take photos of key memories though (sports day, awards)"

"This school is great!"

"My child loves coming to school and I am impressed with everything I have seen today."

"Thank you. Happy to see my child's work!"

"Great school!"

“I was unable to have a clear conversation with the class teacher. I did not like the new layout and I’m quite disappointed we will have no face to face parent consultation.”

“I liked the more relaxed, less transactional nature of the new format. That said, I did have some concerns around whether we would get to speak to the teacher. As it turned out, because the afternoon was extended (which really helps working parents), this wasn't an issue.”



The word cloud above illustrates the frequency of comments noted within the Parent/Carer feedback which overall shows a positive picture.

I would like to thank you all for your feedback and your support of our school community. It is in working together that we can achieve so much.

With kind regards,

Miss Ferrara