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Tuesday 6th December 2022

Feedback on the Pupil and Parent Surveys Spring term 2022

Dear parents/carers,

We would like to thank all the parents and carers who completed the parent survey online and all our children who completed pupil survey in school

We welcome all your views and options and take on board all the comments made. This information gives us a greater understanding of our school, from all viewpoints.

At Shepherdswell Academy we believe that all stakeholders are equally important, and we strive to sustain positive relationships with all our families and the wider community.

Parent Survey

First, we would like to share some positives with you:

- 100% said your child is safe and enjoys coming to school
- 95% said all children are treated equally regardless of background
- 97% felt the school is welcoming to the community
- 95% felt that the children are encouraged to work hard and do their best
- 97% felt staff were approachable
- 100% felt the school communicates effectively with you about school events and activities
- 97% would recommend our school to another family

Your comments included:

"Always great when my children are so happy to go to school and I see the progress they are making."

"My child loves going to school and regularly relays back to me all the new things they learn at school which shows the efforts that the staff tirelessly put in to educate them. Thank you for taking care of my child"

What you think we could do better:

You said:

- Provide more communication about your child's progress, including how to support your child's learning at home
- Provide more information about the role of the local advisory board (governors)
- Having workshops for parents in the evenings

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- Setting up a parent group, where parents can get together and get to know one another

From January:

- Continue to have an open-door policy at all times, if you wish to find out how your child is progressing at a different point in the year to parents' meetings and reports, please speak to your child's class teacher and they will arrange a time to speak to you.
- Send out a survey out regarding setting up a parent group, to find out who is interested
- Display events, curriculum overviews and homework for each year group in the noticeboards in the playground.
- Look at holding parent workshops at different times, where possible
- Arrange a 'meet the governor's session'

Pupil Survey

Most of the children surveyed said they enjoyed school, felt safe and thought they behaved well themselves and knew that they could talk to an adult if they were worried at school. They also thought they worked hard in lessons, learnt new things and said the adults showed them how to make their work better.

Their comments included:

'School is the best.'

'I get to learn lots of new things'

'I love learning, Maths, Phonics, PE, Art, Computing.'

'I enjoy clubs and the new equipment and the Hobbit Holes.'

What they think we could do better:

They said:

- That they would sometimes like more help with their learning
- That they would like more activities and equipment outside at break and lunchtimes.

We will:

- Be asking the school council to find out from the children how they would like to be helped with their learning.
- Remind the children of what they can do if they need support with their learning, and who is there to help them.
- Setting up the outdoor learning zone and using the fundraising money to enhance
- Be continuing with active play and introducing sensory circuits.

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Again, we thank you for your continued support and working in partnership with you. We appreciate you taking the time to complete the survey and supporting us to develop and grow the school to make sure that your children get the best start to their learning journey.

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