

# Parent Voice Summary

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for taking the time to complete our recent Parent Voice questionnaire following Academic Review Day. Your feedback is incredibly valuable to us and helps us to reflect on what we are doing well, as well as identify areas where we can continue to improve and grow as a school community.

We were delighted by the many positive comments shared by parents and carers. It was especially encouraging to see several common themes emerge throughout the responses.

A large number of parents highlighted the strong communication between home and school. Many parents commented positively on the regular updates they receive, the weekly newsletters and the approachable nature of staff. Parents appreciated being kept informed about their child's progress, school events and wider developments within the school. Comments such as "Communicates really well," "Communication with the parents," and "They keep parents informed with anything that's happening or going on" reflected the value families place on open and supportive communication.

Parents also spoke very positively about the caring and supportive environment we strive to create at St Patrick's. Many commented that their children feel safe, happy and included in school. Families recognised the dedication of staff and the support provided for children both academically and emotionally. Parents described the school as welcoming and nurturing, and several commented on the strong relationships staff build with pupils. One parent shared that the school has "a great approach on making learning fun and offer the right support when needed," while another commented that "the school do a lot well and I feel they are very good at making the children feel safe and happy".

Teaching and learning were also recognised as key strengths of the school. Parents praised the school's "strong academic performance", the support provided to help children succeed and the engaging learning opportunities available. Several parents commented on the school's ability to make learning enjoyable, encourage reading and writing, and inspire children to achieve their best. "St Patrick's offers a well-rounded approach to learning and social development".

Many families also appreciated the wider opportunities provided for pupils, including trips, workshops and coffee mornings. Parents welcomed opportunities to learn more about the curriculum and to work in partnership with the school to support their children's learning.

It was particularly pleasing to read comments recognising the school's values and ethos. Parents spoke positively about how the school teaches children good values, encourages positive and respectful behaviour, promotes kindness and supports children in becoming confident and resilient young people.

As always, we are grateful for the thoughtful suggestions about how we can continue to improve.

A number of parents suggested expanding after-school opportunities, including additional after-school clubs, homework support clubs and wraparound care. We

recognise how valuable these opportunities are for children and families and will continue to review our provision carefully as staffing and resources allow. This term we have introduced a new chess club, tennis club and homework club.

Several parents also mentioned school lunches and playground equipment as areas they would like to see developed further. We appreciate this feedback and will continue working with pupils, staff and external providers to improve these areas wherever possible. We have already acted on this feedback and organised a 'lunch taster session' for parents in the new academic year.

Some parents expressed an interest in having more opportunities to meet with teachers, attend classroom events or receive additional information about how to support learning at home. We are pleased that parents value working in partnership with the school, and we will continue to provide workshops, coffee mornings and opportunities for discussion throughout the year.

We are extremely grateful for the continued support, encouragement and partnership of our families. Your positive comments mean a great deal to our staff team, who work hard every day to provide the very best education and care for every child.

Thank you once again for your feedback and for your ongoing support of St Patrick's.

**Please see below for the results of the questionnaire:**

**1. My child enjoys coming to school**

| Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| 55%            | 41%   | 2%       | 2%                |            |

96% positive

**2. My child feels safe at school**

| Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| 57%            | 37%   | 4%       |                   | 2%         |

94% positive

**3. My child is making good progress**

| Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| 61%            | 35%   | 2%       |                   | 2%         |

96% positive

**4. St Patrick's enables my child to behave respectfully or well**

| Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| 51%            | 47%   |          |                   | 2%         |

98% positive

**5. I am kept informed about how my child is getting on**

|                |       |          |                   |            |
|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
| 53%            | 41%   | 4%       |                   | 2%         |

94% positive

**6. I feel comfortable about approaching the school with a question or a problem**

|                |       |          |                   |            |
|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
| 63%            | 31%   | 4%       |                   | 2%         |

94% positive

**7. Staff expect my child to work hard and do his/her best**

|                |       |          |                   |            |
|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
| 59%            | 37%   |          |                   | 2%         |

98% positive

**8. Staff treat my child fairly**

|                |       |          |                   |            |
|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
| 61%            | 31%   |          |                   | 6%         |

94% positive

**9. The school is led and managed well**

|                |       |          |                   |            |
|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
| 57%            | 41%   |          |                   | 2%         |

98% positive

**10. The school provides appropriate homework**

|                |       |          |                   |            |
|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
| 45%            | 41%   | 2%       | 2%                | 10%        |

86% positive

**Religious Education**

**1. The school keeps me informed of what is taught in religious education lessons (in curriculum overviews sent home termly)**

|                |       |          |                   |            |
|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
| 35%            | 51%   | 4%       | 2%                | 6%         |

86% positive

**2. I know how well my child is doing in religious education (in reports sent home and meetings with teachers on Academic Review Day)**

|                |       |          |                   |            |
|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
|                | 53%   | 8%       | 31%               | 8%         |

53% positive

## The Catholic life of the school

### 3. I understand the school's Catholic Mission and I am supportive of it

|                |       |          |                   |            |
|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
| 43%            | 47%   | 2%       |                   | 8%         |

90% positive

### 4. The school provides clear moral teaching (values)

|                |       |          |                   |            |
|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
| 47%            | 47%   |          |                   | 6%         |

94% positive

### 5. The school provides opportunities for spiritual growth and development (for example through daily prayer or Christian Meditation)

|                |       |          |                   |            |
|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
| 37%            | 49%   | 2%       |                   | 12%        |

86% positive

### 6. The school ensures that there are opportunities for daily prayer in class

|                |       |          |                   |            |
|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
| 41%            |       | 37%      |                   | 22%        |

41% positive

### 7. There are opportunities for my child to serve others and support those in need (for example by praying for those in need, bringing £1 donation for non-uniform day, half termly donation for the foodbank)

|                |       |          |                   |            |
|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
| 57%            | 37%   |          |                   | 6%         |

94% positive

### 8. The school actively promotes strong partnership with parents

|                |       |          |                   |            |
|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
| 59%            | 41%   |          |                   | 10%        |

90% positive

### 9. There are strong links between the school and our local parish (for example visits to Our Lady's help of Christians)

|                |       |          |                   |            |
|----------------|-------|----------|-------------------|------------|
| Strongly Agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly Disagree | Don't Know |
| 36%            | 48%   |          |                   | 16%        |

84% positive