



Parent & Carer Survey

Feedback on results from the Governors

We, as we know you do, want Wheatcroft to be the best school it can be for our children.

Thank you to all who took the time to complete the parent/carer questionnaire at the end of October. We really appreciate your feedback. This helps us to understand what you think is working well and equally to identify areas that require more attention.

We would like to feedback the key results and findings from the responses we received.

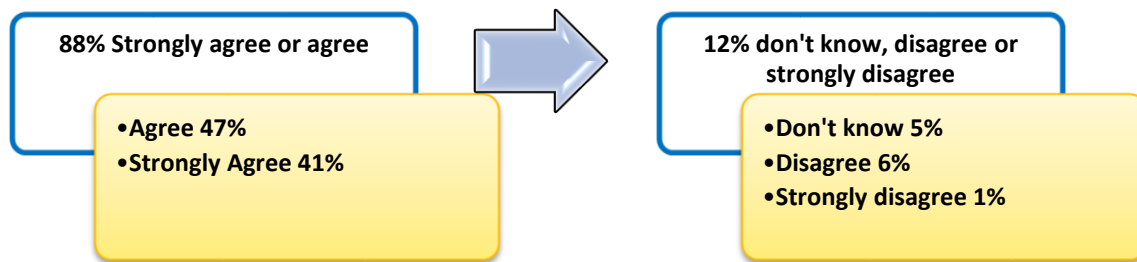
Overall response rate:

The objective of the survey was to obtain feedback from the parent and carer population in response to a number of key statements related to Wheatcroft school to which the response of **strongly agree, agree, strongly disagree, disagree** or **don't know** was requested.

There were 18 statements. In addition there were two open questions: **What are we doing well?** And **what could we do to improve what we are doing?**

We received 82 responses.

The overall response was positive with 88% strongly agreeing or agreeing with the statements.



Areas that were extremely positive in response were those around the environment that is provided for our children and its safety. The forest school activities in particular had an extremely positive response.

100% felt the school provided a safe environment for their child

Parents seem overall happy with the feedback given in terms of the progress of their children with **95%** responding positively to the feedback on their children's progress. **92%** of parents agreed that their child was encouraged to do their best.

99% felt that outdoor activities and forest school enriched their child's learning experience.

Whilst **96%** of parents/carers know how to approach the school about questions or issues regarding their child, not as many, **67%** know how to contact the senior leadership team or the governors. This shows us that more communication is required as to how the senior leadership team or governors can be contacted. There will be separate communications sent out which will explain the responsibilities of the governors in the school along with how to contact both the senior leadership team and the governors appropriate to the role that is held respectively by each.

The other area that came out as needing more communication is the visibility of the governors at school events. **61%** strongly agreed /agreed that the governors were visible at school events, with a material proportion of the remaining responses as don't know. You will find governors at all key school events, such as Christingle, the Summer Fete, Christmas Fair, school productions and any other key event for the parent community. Usually a governor will also accompany the children on the longer school trips. We can be distinguished from the staff as our badges have the orange ribbon on them not the blue.

We are not usually in the school during the day as the role of a governor is a voluntary one and most of us have work commitments during the day, however we do sometimes attend the school during the day in order to fulfill our role as governors, so you may see us from time to time during the day at the school.

We appreciate your feedback on this and will endeavor to be more visible at future school events. If you see us we would be very happy if you come up and talk to us.

General Trends on What are we doing well, what could we do better.

The general trend on comments for what we are doing well were comments around the positive impact of the diversity of learning options provided to the children and an environment where children were happy and encouraged to do their best and that teachers were helpful and approachable.

The general trends on comments for what we could do better were around the need for clearer communication and a more competitive approach to sports. There were a number of comments recognizing that communication has improved.

With respect to sport, Wheatcroft now employs a dedicated sports apprentice which will allow more support to be given on sport.

Communication is a challenge with the diverse activities at Wheatcroft. The school website has recently been updated so this should provide more up to date information.

All comments for what we are doing well, what could we do better have been fed back to the Wheatcroft leadership team. (All comments were compiled anonymously without any year group details for the feedback).

The response for all questions was as follows:

