

Parent Questionnaire Response – Nov 2022

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
My child is happy at school	72%	28%		
My child feels safe at school	95%	44%	1%	
My child makes good progress at this school	63%	34%	3%	
The school meets my child's particular needs	64%	32%	5%	
The school makes sure that my child is well looked after	69%	29%	2%	
The school supports my child's emotional and mental wellbeing and development	63%	34%	3%	
My child is taught well at this school	66%	33%	1%	
My child receives appropriate homework	43%	44%	12%	1%
The school helps me to support my child's learning	60%	36%	4%	
There is a good standard of behaviour at this school	60%	37%	2%	
The school deals with bullying effectively	54%	43%	3%	
The school is well led and managed	62%	36%	2%	1%
The school responds well to any concerns I have	64%	32%	4%	1%
The school keeps me well informed	53%	44%	2%	1%
I would recommend this school to another parent	60%	36%	3%	1%

Additional Comments	Response/Actions taken
Thank you for all the hard work that is going on at the school.	
I would prefer more notice if clubs are to be cancelled. It is frustrating when I have to try to arrange childcare last minute. You could offer free places in after school club if this has to happen.	We appreciate that clubs being cancelled last minute can have an impact on childcare and we only cancel at short notice if there is no other option. This is a really good point to raise and if any club cancellation causes childcare issues, please contact the office and we will support parents with ASC until the planned collection time. Thank you for a great suggestion to an issue!
Feel the homework is a lot and my child struggles sometimes to have the energy and will to complete, this may be due to his extra-curricular activities. At the same time my child is showing inconsistencies in his writing and spelling ability so extra practice is needed as well Would prefer homework to be maths & English every week instead of term homework. I also I unsure as to what is expected weekly & when it's due. Also reading plus haven't been able to get on it for ages.	As always, there is a mixed view on homework, with some parents commenting that they want more and some parents wanting less. Last year we did a revision of homework based on the discussions with Parent Forum, and reduced homework to reading, spelling and times tables weekly, with x2 pieces of work off the challenge mats each half term. This was aimed at giving families the flexibility to do less when they had busy weeks or commitments at the weekend. Staff have also structured the mats so that some activities can be completed quickly, whilst others are more creative and take more time. Again, this was aimed at providing flexibility for pupils to work around family life. We will discuss this again during parent forum, but I am sure you can appreciate it is difficult to find a solution that pleases everyone, and we have to try and find a middle ground with this area. NB – if you are ever unable to access any of the online platforms, please contact the school office asap and they will assist you.
Excellent feedback, so impressed with my son's feed back	
Lovely school, teachers and pupils. could not be happier my child attends this school.	



My child has come on really well since starting in September so happy with the results and standards	
There has been a number of issues we have highlighted to the school which we don't feel have been appropriately dealt with we feel a lack of communication at times and we have to continually push for issues to be resolved Tend to find things out last minute not on the weekly letter	Following on from this, we have reviewed all communication procedures for the school, including how messages through the school office are managed. We are hoping that this will resolve the issue, but if you feel that this is continuing, please speak to me directly so that I can review any further changes needed to ensure that communication is effective across the school. We aim to ensure that we give as much notice as possible to families and try and include at least a month in advance on the 'Looking Ahead' section of the newsletter. There is also the school calendar on the website which has information of upcoming events. Where trips or any cost is involved, we aim to give as much notice as possible, so that parents can pay in instalments if they wish to. We will continue to provide as much notice as possible
	for all events.
Happy with my child's progress and have no issue regarding school staff or management	
Very content and happy with the level of education!	
Neither agree or disagree with the homework question. I do think it is a lot for my child's age. The spellings and assignments are very hard for her age range.	All spellings on the online platform are based on the curriculum rules and expectations for each year group. These are national expectations, not set by the school. If your child is finding them too challenging, please speak to your child's class teacher as we have lots of ways to support children with their spelling and don't want any of them struggling unnecessarily.
The support given to families by this school is brilliant	
Teachers have always helped with regards to behaviour, and went out of their ways to find solutions to help my child learn in the classroom. Cannot praise them highly enough.	
My child has really grown in confidence year on year and loves coming to school. Thanks	
My child loves coming to school, and she has developed immensely over the past two years whilst at St Michaels with St Thomas.	

We are so please as there were an overwhelming amount of positive comment – we have only been able to include a few above. We have included any comments that Can I remind all parents/carers, that if you have any concerns, there are a number of avenues that you can go down to address them. Your first port of call in the class teacher, who will hopefully be able to solve any concerns that you have. Miss Chippendale, our SENDCO, is available to speak to parents at the start/end of the day if you have concerns about your child's additional needs.

If you feel that your concern has not been addressed, or that it is more serious or confidential than addressing with the class teacher, please feel free to drop in or call the office to make an appointment to see me. In most instances I can see parents the same day, and concerns can be addressed quickly.

We really do value your input, so if there is any further feedback on how we can develop our practice to best support your child and your family, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you to all of the families who took the time to respond, and for all of the lovely comments, thanks and praise of our staff. Your ongoing support means a lot and makes a huge difference.

Miss Slingsby