

St. Helens' CE Primary School – Parent Survey Summary

My child is happy at St. Helen's	90% agree 7% don't know 3% disagree
At St. Helen's, we want all the children to feel happy coming to school.	
My child feels safe at St. Helen's	96% agree 3 % don't know 3% disagree
At St. Helen's, our number one priority is to ensure children feel safe.	
St. Helen's makes sure children are well behaved	78% agree 15% don't know 8% disagree
Whilst we believe children behave well most of the time within St. Helen's, we also know that this can be even better. Mrs. McDonald is currently working with children, staff and governors to develop a new behaviour policy. We will also be inviting parents to share their ideas too. We look forward to sharing our plans with you during the Autumn Term.	
My child has been bullied and St. Helen's dealt with the bullying quickly and effectively	80% my child has not been bullied 13% agree 2% don't know 5%disagree
Whilst bullying is extremely rare, we do take bullying extremely seriously. Our Christian values, which include love and forgiveness, permeate throughout our school. We have recently trained up children as friendship ambassadors who are proactive in supporting friendships during lunch and playtimes. We will also be continuing to develop awareness around anti-bullying through our safeguarding curriculum and behaviour approach.	
St. Helen's makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year	36% agree 18% don't know 48% disagree
We know that this is an area for improvement, therefore we have identified the following actions which will support parents to know what their child is learning: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet the teacher events have been planned which will share key information regarding the curriculum. • We have introduced class pages on the school website. Shortly these will be updated with the year group expectations, as well as what topics your child will be learning this year. • Teachers are encouraged to share what children have been learning throughout the week on ClassDojo. • Knowledge organisers for a selection of subjects will be shared with parents. We will be sending these home for children to practise – they will also be available on the school website. 	
When I have raised concerns with St. Helen's they have been dealt with properly	28% I have not raised concerns 38% agree 10% don't know 24% disagree
We want to ensure all parents feel listened to when they have a concern. Therefore we are providing more opportunities for parents to share their views e.g. Parent survey and Parent Meeting. As ever, we encourage parents to speak to a member of the school, if they have a particular concern or raise it with a member of the school's senior	

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leadership team who will be available each day on the school gate.	
St. Helen's has high expectations for my child	53% agree 43% don't know 5% disagree
At St. Helen's we aspire to have the highest of expectations for all children e.g. we have redesigned our curriculum (SHINE curriculum) which puts a greater emphasis on key knowledge that children need to remember. We are looking to provide more opportunities for parents to share in their child's learning journey.	
My child does well at St. Helen's	67% agree 33% don't know 0% disagree
We are proud that children at St. Helens typically perform above the national averages. Please take a look at the end of Key Stage 2 results from 2022: Reading 80% 74% Writing 80% 69% Maths 73% 71% Reading, Writing & Maths Combined 73% 59% National Average	
Teachers at St. Helen's let me know how my child is doing.	58% agree 30% don't know 13% disagree
At St. Helen's, we currently offer a number of opportunities throughout the year, when we update parents regarding their child's progress. During the academic year, there are two parents' evenings as well as an interim summary report on progress at the end of the Autumn Term and a more detailed report at the end of the Summer Term. Teachers are also encouraged to speak to parents if they have any concerns regarding a child's progress, throughout the year, and equally we encourage parents to speak to teachers if they would like to discuss their child's learning or progress.	
There is a good range of subjects available to my child at St. Helen's.	67% agree 30% don't know 3% disagree
We have recently launched our new SHINE curriculum at St. Helens. Our SHINE curriculum has helped us to shape what and how we teach. At St. Helens', we have carefully planned out all the subjects and knowledge that children will learn from Reception to Year 6. This includes prioritising the core subjects of English, Reading/Phonics and Maths in the morning. Then children will be taught the full range of national curriculum subjects throughout the afternoon e.g. Art, DT, PE, history and geography. Evidence of the children's curriculum entitlement can be found on the website. We look forward to sharing more information about our curriculum with parents.	
My child can take part in clubs and activities at St. Helen's.	81% agree 13% don't know 8% disagree
Currently we feel we offer a good range of clubs for children to take part in, but we are looking at how we can enhance this further. Therefore, we will shortly be sharing with you a yearly overview of all the clubs that will offered this year. We will try to ensure there is a good range of clubs from sports and craft to science and choir for children in Key Stage One and Key Stage Two. All of our clubs that are run by teachers will be free	

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of charge, whereas we will ask parents to pay for clubs that are led by outside providers e.g. fencing.	
St. Helen's supports my child's wider personal development.	48% agree 35% don't know 18% disagree
<p>Whilst academic success is extremely important, we also believe the personal development of all children is equally important. At St. Helens, we have recently created leadership roles for the children. In school, as well as school council members and worship group, we now have sports leaders, friendship ambassadors and an Eco group. We are looking for other ways to further the children's leadership potential. The children are really keen and teachers have created display boards, in order for the children to show what they have been doing. The staff have also drafted a long-term plan with this year's enrichment opportunities; this will be sent out to parents soon.</p>	
Parents are communicated with effectively at St. Helen's.	33% agree 30% don't know 37% disagree
<p>We know this is something we need to improve at St. Helens and we are working hard to put a plan in place that will see communications progress. Here are some of the key actions we are putting into place:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement a school communication policy. This will help to streamline the channels for communication as well as ensure parents can expect consistency and accuracy from any school communication. We will be sharing our school communication policy with parents shortly. • We have recently introduced our 'sway' newsletters. This will make newsletter more user-friendly and accessible, when reading them on smart phones or other mobile devices. • Teachers to regularly update ClassDojo with class news from the week. • Planned introduction of a Headteacher's Coffee Morning that will meet at least once a term and be another opportunity for parents to share their views with the school. • Visible leadership at drop-off and pick-up times from staff who are available to answer questions from parents. 	
I would recommend St. Helen's to another parent.	55% yes 35% maybe 10% no
<p>We are proud of our school and we hope parents are proud to be part of St. Helens too. We are confident that we can continue to improve with greater involvement and engagement of all our parents and members of the community and look forward to a bright future!</p>	