

# Governors' newsletter

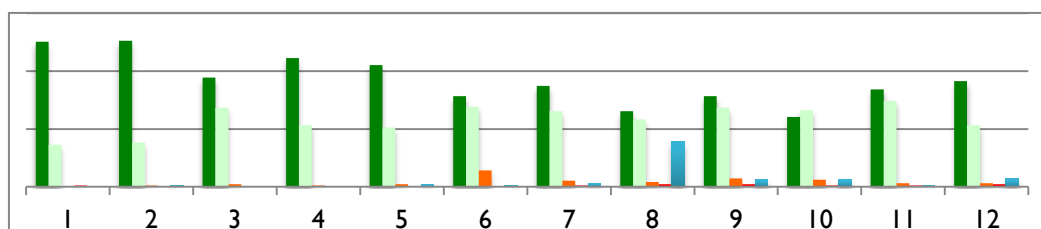
March 2016



Dear parents & carers,

We would like to thank all those parents and carers who gave us feedback via the **Parent View** questionnaire at the recent parents' evenings. We had a very positive response with **168** completed, the vast majority of which were overwhelmingly positive about the school. In addition to your answers to the questions asked, we are very grateful for all your questions, comments and suggestions raised- they all help us to ensure that the school improves further. I know that Mrs Green and the leadership team have already responded to some of the issues or questions on an individual basis where parents gave their names, and are looking into specific issues with class teachers. We will also be looking at how we can address other issues raised and will be feeding back to you as we do. The results of the questionnaire are below:

Total number of returns	168
Yr R	14
Yr1	16
Yr2	22
Yr3	20
Yr4	30
Yr5	22
Yr6	26
Year/class not stated	18



	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
1. My child is happy at this school	125	36	0	1	0
2. My child feels safe at this school	126	38	1	0	1
3. My child makes good progress at this school	94	68	2	0	0
4. My child is well looked after at this school	111	53	1	0	0
5. My child is taught well at this school	105	51	2	0	2
6. My child receives appropriate homework for their age	78	69	14	0	1
7. This school makes sure its pupils are well behaved	87	65	5	1	3
8. This school deals effectively with bullying	65	58	4	2	39
9. This school is well led and managed	78	68	7	2	6
10. This school responds well to any concerns I raise	60	66	6	1	6
11. I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress	84	74	3	1	1
12. I would recommend this school to another parent	91	53	3	2	7

We had some comments about the current lack of road crossing patrols on our school crossings. Please be assured that we are doing our best to recruit for these posts. The school obtained the crossings after many years of petitioning Gravesham Borough Council, however the layout & style of the crossings were set by their Transport Dept' at the time. However, we will be working with them to see if we can make improvements to the crossings to make them safer for our children.

Finally, I am very sorry to report that **Mr Barnes** has resigned as a Governor after 35 years supporting the school. He has played such a significant role in the development of the school over the years, particularly with regards to the Finance, Senior Appointments & Pay/Personnel Committees. We are extremely grateful for all that he has done for the school and hope that he can now enjoy his time away from the role.

Ann Walker, Chair of Governors.