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Dear Parent/Carer,

Parent Survey 2023 Reply

Thank you to all the parents/carers that completed the school survey.

The governors have been discussing the results/viewpoints expressed and will form a workgroup to further explore options available to the school to resolve some of these ongoing concerns.

Please see the table with some initial information. We may look to hold an open coffee morning etc for parents to discuss concerns with the school governors.

27 replies out of 400 children (13.5%) Lots of positive – about staffing and enrichment	
A small number of concerns about behaviour and the impact on the rest of the class	Our SENDCo, SEND team and Lead Behaviour TA work with external agencies and consultants to try and provide the best offer to our children and families. We are a local, inclusive school and behaviour and SEND is a significant challenge for a range of reasons; children with SEND (EHCP), and/or waiting to be assessed for an EHCP. It is recognised that the Local Authority, and Health have a reduced range of services, at the same time, there is an increasing demand.
Information about what children are learning	We offer Information & Welcome Meetings at the beginning of each year, Termly Parents Evenings, (including Termly written reports), an Open Door policy. There is also a wide range of curriculum information available on our website.
Better communication (weekly newsletters and information about how children are getting on)	We offer Weekly Newsletters (including dates/events), regular text message, and emails. We always strive to give parents/carers as much notice of events and trips as possible. However, schools are busy and some changes are out of our control; for example trips may be cancelled due to weather, or the centre we are visiting is closed.

Staff sickness, absence, recruitment	Staff recruitment and retention is a significant issue across all schools. Staff are leaving due to a range of factors, some including salary/wages, but also workload and stress.
Sex & Relationship Curriculum (SRE)	We updated the scheme that we use several years ago and give parents all the information. We believe that good SRE is about giving children this information early.
Extra curriculum beyond the classroom	We offer a range of extra clubs (mostly provided by staff) – choir and sport focused. Inter2Sports offer a football club and we're talking to them to see what other clubs (paid) that they can offer.
Wellbeing and emotional support	We offer a range of services including; Family Support Advisor (FSA), Play Therapist (1 day a week), Read2Dogs, Nurture /Rainbow Room, Lead Behaviour TA. We are planning to reintroduce Emotional Literacy Support Assistants (ELSA) this year. We also work with the local Mental Health Support Team (MHST) and within the curriculum we offer Personal, Social Health Education (PSHE).