



The Alderton Infant School Parent Questionnaire March 2017

		Yes	No	Not Really	Not Sure	
ENVIRONMENT	1	My child feels safe at this school	158	0	0	2
	2	My child is happy at this school	155	0	2	4
	3	<p>How do you know?</p> <p><i>He misses school during the holidays and tells us about his day at school</i></p> <p><i>She loves coming to school so I know she's happy and safe here</i></p> <p><i>She speaks to us about all her friends at school and teachers</i></p> <p><i>He talks about his day at school, he tells me good and bad things, we communicate well</i></p> <p><i>Says he likes playing with his friends</i></p> <p><i>We always talk about school when she comes home</i></p> <p><i>When I ask him every day how his day was he always replies "good"</i></p> <p><i>She is always happy after school</i></p> <p><i>She shares moments she had at school</i></p> <p><i>She is always excited when getting ready for school</i></p> <p><i>Some days she is happy but others she cries and says she doesn't want to go in</i></p> <p><i>Always comes home smiling and talking positively</i></p> <p><i>She loves going to school and on weekends talks about going to school</i></p> <p><i>Happy to go into school every day, happy to see everyone, teachers and other children</i></p> <p><i>Enjoys himself, tells me about his day and what he is learning</i></p> <p><i>Enjoys being with her friends and learning</i></p> <p><i>Always happy to come to school, speaks very fondly of her time here</i></p> <p><i>From her behaviour and what she says</i></p> <p><i>Upset every morning lately as soon as she wakes up she apparently does not feel well</i></p> <p><i>Happy</i></p> <p><i>Always wants to go into school</i></p> <p><i>He tells me how he is enjoying his days and what activities he has been doing</i></p> <p><i>He tells me he likes school, he thinks reading is "boring" but he does like school</i></p> <p><i>He thinks his teacher is "the best"</i></p> <p><i>She often comments how much she loves school</i></p> <p><i>Goes in happy, comes home happy</i></p> <p><i>He has a hard time at the start of the day but within 10 minutes he is fine</i></p> <p><i>Talks about school positively</i></p> <p><i>He tells me what he likes / dislikes</i></p> <p><i>Always feels confident enough to tell me if something bad or good has happened</i></p> <p><i>Returns home full of stories, smiling and relaying his day</i></p> <p><i>He is looking to go back in the morning and with a smile</i></p> <p><i>Always expresses good thoughts and feelings about school</i></p> <p><i>Sometimes comes home upset saying he has no friends to play with</i></p> <p><i>Enthusiastic – never complains</i></p> <p><i>Likes school and has a great sense of feeling safe & happy</i></p> <p><i>I think she is happy enough, school has addressed concerns in a very good way</i></p> <p><i>He only moans about phonics, no other worries at all from him</i></p> <p><i>Sometimes tells me that he has been hit, kicked by another child, he learns "bad words"</i></p> <p><i>She tells me about every aspect of her day, I would know if she was</i></p>				

		<p>worried</p> <p>She's happy and likes school, she also tells me if she's got any problems too</p> <p>He believes this school is the best in the entire Country</p> <p>You can tell by the big smile on her face</p> <p>Sometimes friendships can be tricky so perhaps a little more emphasis on this regarding the child's wellbeing may be helpful</p> <p>He loves when he does well and gets stickers</p> <p>Always happy, positive and smiling</p> <p>Loves arts / crafts at school</p> <p>He likes and trusts his teachers</p> <p>Runs to school every morning</p>				
CURRICULUM	4	My child makes good progress at this school	157	0	0	2
	5	My child is taught well at this school	156	0	0	2
	6	My child receives appropriate homework for their age	139	5	4	5
	7	I receive enough information about the curriculum that my child is following	138	4	3	11
	8	<p>The school encourages parents to play an active part in school life. What more can we and the PA do to involve families in school life and events?</p> <p>I think there is loads that parents can be involved with</p> <p>Not sure</p> <p>No faults so far, we always get updated</p> <p>I think it would be helpful to organise more parent sessions</p> <p>More fun things / discos</p> <p>I feel everything is well</p> <p>Sometimes she doesn't understand the homework but she gets there in the end</p> <p>You do enough and there is surely something for everyone to be involved with</p> <p>More school trips where parents can help</p> <p>Maybe spend few hours at school to see how the child is doing and what they are learning</p> <p>Would like to know more about what they are learning, maybe come in and work with him</p> <p>Continue as it is, particularly enjoyed Share a Lunch</p> <p>I am very happy with the way the school involved us a family, couldn't ask for more</p> <p>Happy with what is being done</p> <p>Think school has a good balance with assemblies / workshops, etc.</p> <p>PA – improve merchandise on Mother's / Father's Day at reasonable cost</p> <p>Nights / events to incorporate locals businesses – beauty nights / quizzes</p> <p>I'm very happy with our involvement</p> <p>Extra-curricular after school lessons perhaps? Drama classes, music lessons for example?</p> <p>Very happy with PA work</p> <p>Have more events on national curriculum, celebrate science week, maths workshops, English poem day</p> <p>Book week was really good, keep children interested in education</p> <p>Just keep doing what you're doing, we're very happy</p> <p>More concerts! I love seeing the children perform – other schools in the borough had a Mother's Day performance</p> <p>Maybe more online / a dedicated Facebook page, asking people directly</p> <p>Invite parents to attend assembly when their child is being praised / rewarded</p> <p>Invite parents to assembly for rewarding children</p> <p>I would like more after schools clubs that involve sports activities</p> <p>The school offers plenty of opportunities for parents to be involved, more parents need to show their support</p> <p>Perhaps to come into school on occasions and undertake a task with my child</p> <p>Maybe more parents evenings to look at progress or reports</p> <p>I think you do lots. If parents don't want to get involved, no matter what you do, they just won't</p> <p>Maybe more weekend get-togethers / chats. Working parents don't always get up the school</p>				

		<p><i>More opportunities for after school / events</i> <i>I think there are sufficient opportunities for family involvement</i> <i>More volunteering opportunities in classes so we can get an insight into how the school system is for children</i> <i>PA movie nights / offered more activities after school like lego building club</i> <i>Communicate better! Have more consideration for working parents who may not be present for drop offs / collection – use online tools more – i.e. parents evening slots</i> <i>The Summer & Christmas Fairs are good, perhaps a disco just for the infants</i></p>				
COMMUNICATION	9	This school responds well to any concerns I raise	142	0	0	13
	10	The parent/teacher consultations & July annual report provide me with the information I require about my child's achievement & progress	149	0	0	7
	11	<p>Do you feel able to support your child's learning? Can we do anything to help? <i>The maths workshop and pack were brilliant – we have used them loads because he has been asking to</i> <i>I find the stickers left in his reading diary very helpful</i> <i>My child is supported well by the school</i> <i>Yes I feel with the information I get from the teacher, I am able to help her with her work and learning new things</i> <i>So far I feel all good</i> <i>We have had excellent support and help from our son's teacher and the SENCO, we are all working together to help our child to learn despite him having possible dyslexia</i> <i>Yes, teachers always happy to give extra information when needed</i> <i>We feel able to support the learning at home but really welcome</i> <i>More work sheets is better for me as I struggle to have internet</i> <i>I am happy so far, I am getting enough support from school</i> <i>Yes I do feel able to help learning at home</i> <i>The teacher was very clear about what we could do at home to support our child</i> <i>More than happy</i> <i>Speech therapy possibly</i> <i>Steers on performance and where we can help more, notes in book diary are well appreciated</i> <i>No! Happy with how things are</i> <i>My child does not listen and read, he is always looking around and not concentrating. I have hired a tutor to help me as he seems to listen to her more</i> <i>The advice given on how best to help my child learn is very helpful</i> <i>I do struggle with reading and doing homework at home with him</i> <i>We feel we get provided with the appropriate tools to support learning</i> <i>I am a working parent, I find it very hard to keep up with reading and homework by the time I arrive home my daughter is very tired</i> <i>We would like to know what support he requires as we could work with him at home</i> <i>I would like to continually be told what my daughter needs help with and how we can help her. The school have been good with this – keep it up</i> <i>Completely able to help him and we like the school and his progress</i> <i>It would be nice to be shown / told where to find appropriate worksheets</i> <i>I have no concerns but if I did I know I would be able to approach the teacher with no problems</i> <i>All measures in place</i> <i>Yes I feel very supported</i> <i>Very happy with current support from school, although I wish the maths workshop had been earlier in the academic year</i> <i>You could open afterschool homework clubs to everyone, not only children that need more help</i> <i>Yes, we support all learning, teacher feedback on weak spots is extremely useful</i> <i>Help is offered at home if needed</i> <i>Provide work sheets online, clearer guidelines on what they need to know</i> <i>More regular feedback on areas to improve on</i> <i>We feel he is manging well, we place a high priority on his playtime</i></p>				

	<p><i>I am confident helping my child, I think that the school does enough Yes I do. Everything is going well with homework etc. Worksheets to bring home would be useful I would like staff to support my child's needs more if required as I am a single mother Yes, I can support my child All information we receive home is well explained for us to be able to help him Yes I feel confident, if I am not sure about something, the teacher is there to help Yes, we are doing extra work at home and have discussed content with teacher Perhaps longer parents evenings or some sort of feedback like class surgeries as the Juniors do in between parents evenings Need feedback on a weekly basis on progress / strengths / areas that need focusing on. Would be helpful if maths homework given out at least once a week, on the same days The maths app is far too easy and he finds it boring No further help needed If I were to know exactly what needed working on I could help more at home We are not familiar with British systems, maybe to bring home more copies of what he has done at school Feedback on their spelling tests as they do them would help us keep track of how they are doing more Time is always a factor in our house as we both work He is very self-motivated suggestions of areas we can seek additional help (i.e. the MENSA for kids) I do feel supported but feel my child sometimes need a lot of encouragement and I sometimes don't know how Yes, fully informed, good tips Yes, although sometimes when things get busy at home we don't always have the time to do everything we would like to do with her in terms of learning Yes, we are making progress Yes – teacher very approachable – given lots of support with activities to aid development Yes but I don't always have time to write in book diary but this doesn't mean my child doesn't read to me so should not get told off for not completing it – if a message is written in diary with a remark my child takes it personally when it's not his fault</i></p>				
12	My child is well looked after at this school	157	0	0	2
13	This school makes sure its pupils are well behaved	156	0	0	4
14	My child/ren is/are confident that should they have a problem, there is someone they can go to in school who will listen to them	136	0	2	20
15	<p>If you thought your child was being bullied would you know what to do? <i>Our behaviour and anti-bullying policies are on the document page of the website.</i> Yes <i>Speak to his teacher My child is sometimes worried to tell a teacher if there's a problem and asks me to speak with her Yes he would tell us Don't know I would discuss it with the class teacher and hopefully that would be enough to sort it out Yes thank you! My child hasn't be able to speak out about it but we are trying to help her confidence, she needs more support at lunch time and play time by teachers if they see or hear something upsetting I can check the website for exact details but I would be happy talking to teacher Have not read it yet but will look at it tonight Tell the Headteacher straight away No, I would talk to her teacher and go from there</i></p>				

BEHAVIOUR/PASTORAL CARE

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		Yes	No	Not Really	Not Sure
16	This school is well led and managed	137		1	
17	I understand the role and responsibilities of the Governing Body	120		13	6
18	Would you recommend this school to another parent?	136		1	2
19	<p>Any other comments:</p> <p><i>We feel Mrs Dalby is approachable. We hope our child continues to get upmost support for learning difficulties</i></p> <p><i>Feel happy that our child is allowed to grow in confidence. He is acknowledged for his kindness and caring nature</i></p> <p><i>We have been very happy with the school and teachers – my child is learning and is always happy to wake up for school</i></p> <p><i>Well done!</i></p> <p><i>The school is great; staff are great with the children. Bring back cake – everything in moderation. Otherwise, menu fantastic</i></p> <p><i>Thank you for your help and support</i></p> <p><i>So impressed with my daughter's development. Activities (gym, pottery) – brilliant</i></p> <p><i>More information from Governors about what they are doing throughout the year</i></p> <p><i>I feel I have chosen the right school for my child, the teacher knows him very well and how to support him with learning</i></p> <p><i>Pupil A has progressed so well this year, I wouldn't hesitate to recommend this school</i></p> <p><i>We are really pleased with the school and your understanding of our child. He is enjoying school and everything it has to offer him. We hope he is challenged throughout</i></p> <p><i>Pupil J is doing really well and has improved since starting Year 1. He loves his teacher/TAs. We have no problem with him doing homework.</i></p> <p><i>Watch out for bullying. Talk to children, some children are sensitive. Club – my son felt picked on, awareness needs raising</i></p> <p><i>Also school concerts are very good and we recognise the hard work that goes into them</i></p> <p><i>Very pleased with my son's progress and support from school</i></p> <p><i>Would definitely recommend this school – both my boys have loved coming and have grown in confidence</i></p> <p><i>Thank you to all staff – great work</i></p> <p><i>Very satisfied with school and staff – very supportive to my child's needs</i></p> <p><i>Thank you for all your support, we as parents will help support as much as we can</i></p> <p><i>Keep up the excellent standards</i></p> <p><i>Very pleased with my daughter's progress throughout her time in school.</i></p> <p><i>My daughter enjoys school and is very happy with teacher/TAs</i></p> <p><i>Lovely, warm and nurturing school – happy with our son's care. We engage with school (PA), happy to do more if needed</i></p> <p><i>My daughter enjoys school, is happy here. Happy with her development</i></p> <p><i>My daughter has lots of support, we are so pleased with her progress</i></p> <p><i>No concerns – happy with my son's progress; handwriting/literacy has improved greatly. Pleased with support/encouragement he's received</i></p> <p><i>Extremely happy with school/teachers</i></p> <p><i>Very happy with how the school is run; very happy with son's progress</i></p> <p><i>Year 2 has been a big jump in learning – my daughter has needed a lot of additional support. Concerns in Year 1 not addressed – transition not easy to Year 2</i></p> <p><i>Parents smoking outside gates – bad example; Mrs Dalby needs to speak to parents. Teachers to be more strict when dealing with naughty children</i></p> <p><i>Extremely happy with how my son is progressing</i></p>				

*Pleased with discipline that my son learns at school
 Happy with all aspects of school; happily recommend school
 Impressed with teacher's approach
 Homework expectations for Reception are too much
 Really happy – Pupil L has grown, excelled significantly, her hand writing, pronunciation
 Very happy with school ; my child enjoys school and learning
 Would be helpful if homework could be given out on Monday – therefore whole week to complete
 Would like the Infant and Junior schools to communicate on dress up days – same for siblings in both schools
 Pupil H has settled really well and is making good progress – thank you to all staff involved for hard work/efforts
 The teachers and all the teaching assistants are brilliant, I couldn't be happier with my child's progress this year. Fantastic school and my child is very happy here
 Very happy with this school and how they have supported both my children
 My child can be very fussy with food, I would like feedback with school meals and how much he does eat please
 Sometimes we find it very difficult to feed him, he is not very interested in eating lots of fruit and vegetables, more interested to have chocolate / ice cream. It would be really helpful if the teachers advise him about food habits and nutrition and to listen to parents
 Our only concern is that they are not stretched enough in Year 2. They are looked after beautifully but this makes the move to Year 3 very tough
 We are so very grateful to the teacher and TA's, my child has progressed well in reception. The care and knowledge of my child has been exceptional. Thank you all!
 Less homework at half terms – children need a break*

- Prize Draw Winner (£20 M & S Voucher) – Mrs S Davies
- Proportion of parents did not realise there was a reverse side to questionnaire, hence lower results for questions 16-19