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Does everything well.

Encourages confidence in pupils.

My children love this school and thrive there.

Great school, good leadership and lovely teaching and support staff.

School has helped my child build his confidence and be proud of his achievements.

It offers a good choice of extra-curricular sports and activities.

The school does a great job on the whole. My children are happy and challenged.

The teachers are fantastic, every concern I've raised has been dealt with quickly.

47 responses June 2017		strongly agree %	Agree %	Neutral %	disagree %	strongly disagree %
1	My child is happy coming to this school.	58	34	4	4	0
2	This school responds well to any concerns I raise.	26	49	21	4	0
3	My child is well looked after and is safe at this school.	47	47	2	4	0
4	My child makes good progress at this school.	26	58	10	6	0
5	Pupils at the school behave well most of the time.	24	59	13	2	2
6	Parents are kept well informed about all aspects of school life.	17	58	14	11	0
7	The school promotes respect for others and values differences.	38	47	11	2	2
8	The school is well led and managed.	36	55	7	2	0
9	I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress.	15	50	21	12	2

Dear Parents and Carers,

Once again many thanks to those of you who were able to complete the recent Parent Survey. We received 47 responses to the questions and 28 comments. The Governing Body looked at all the answers at their meeting last week and I know that everyone at the school takes the views of all parents seriously. We greatly appreciate the support that we receive and are pleased that the overwhelming response showed that you have very positive feelings about the school, and that you feel your children are happy and making good progress in a caring environment. Our Ofsted Report in February stated:

Parents are very positive about the school's work. They believe that the school is well led and say that their children enjoy coming to school; the majority would recommend the school to others. One parent summarised the thoughts of many, saying: 'I am very happy with the education children are receiving at Brampton. The school has a lovely atmosphere and the staff are very approachable and supportive. The school is a safe and happy environment, and I feel they are making good progress.

Communication between parents and teachers is very good.

Another parent said, 'We are proud to be a part of the school as it continues to get bigger.'

Whilst we celebrate the many positives, there are, as we expected, some areas where we could look to improve further.

There were some comments about the behaviour in school and how allegations of bullying are dealt with. We are very clear that we do not accept any forms of bullying and investigate any allegations thoroughly. Children being safe in school is a clear priority for everyone and whilst Ofsted reported that children feel safe and are listened to, we know that there are times when disagreements occur and situations can quickly escalate. We try to apply our Behaviour and Anti-Bullying Policies consistently and we shall be looking again at our practices next term.

Other key areas that have been highlighted through the survey include:

- how you are kept informed about all aspects of school life, and;
- how we keep you informed about your child's progress.

These were areas identified last year and whilst we recognise that there is always more we can do, some changes have been made this year. We have updated our school website to make it more accessible and certainly the feedback we have received has been very positive. We changed our online payments and parent email system so that it is easier and quicker to use. Where there have been issues it is sometimes because contact information has not been updated and there is a responsibility on everyone to keep email and phone numbers up to date in order for the system to be effective. We also know that we need to provide you with information in a timely manner whenever possible to give everyone time to get organised and things sorted. We have introduced online booking systems for Parent Consultations and Concerts and will look to extend this next year.

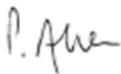
With regards to progress, there continue to be many changes to national assessment policy this year and how progress and attainment are judged. Our monitoring and tracking system is now in place and information is shared about end of year age-related expectations for each year group. We will look at ways of communicating targets and progress in a clearer way at the Parent Consultations which we hold twice a year. Expectations of the curriculum and of the children are different across the school and therefore the level of information that is sent home in Reception may not necessarily be appropriate further up the school. A change in Homework this year has received many favourable comments but we also know we need to help the children keep practicing their basic skills so will see how this can be included next year. There will be opportunities to come and learn alongside your child next year in class so please look out for these.

Communication with teaching staff can always be improved and needs to work both ways. This is essential and can resolve so many things before they potentially become more serious. There were other issues raised by individuals in the survey which are being looked at. Please do come and speak to me if you would like to discuss further.

We have many successes to celebrate and it continues to be a privilege to work with the children and staff. We have worked hard this year on developing respect, both of each other and our environment. Our school is a calm and friendly place where staff, children, governors, parents and visitors will always be made to feel welcome. We expect all children to try their best and actively contribute to our school so that they make the most of the opportunities we provide for them.

Once more, thank you for helping us with this survey. We are always happy to listen to your views as the closer we work together as a partnership the more likely we are to continue to provide an excellent education for your children.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Peter Allen
Headteacher

As Governors we are tasked with maintaining and improving the high standards at Brampton. This has been another encouraging year which began with the introduction of our third Reception Class. Early in January Ofsted visited and we were very pleased with the very positive feedback from the inspection team. Our thanks go to Mr Allen and the staff in school for all their hard work in ensuring the school maintained its 'good' rating. The inspectors were very complimentary towards the responses provided by parents in the parent survey. The views of parents are critical in our monitoring of the performance of the school.

The results of the recent parent's questionnaire were discussed by governors at length at our last meeting. The results are very consistent with those received both from last year's survey and also the Ofsted parent's questionnaire. While the overwhelming response confirms the good quality provision provided at Brampton Village Primary School there are a number of points where we need to take action to improve and the governors will work with Mr Allen and his team to continue to ensure we are responding to concerns and we are making progress.

Next term we will return with two additional classes added, a third class in Year 6 and three classes in Reception and Year 1. With this growing community we must work hard to support all pupils and ensure that we maintain the close community feel of the school. With your support, we look forward to developing and enhancing Brampton Village Primary School into the future.

Yours Sincerely

Dave Freeman
Chair of Governors