

Parents' Questionnaire Analysis February 2022 -percentage (numbers of people answering question in brackets) 144 replies

Thank you so much for taking the time to complete this questionnaire. We find it valuable to listen to your ideas, and to act upon them in order to develop the school further. 151 people replied so each answer equates to 0.7%

	Yes	No	sometimes
My child is happy at school	100% (151)	0% (0)	
The staff are approachable and easy to contact	100% (151)	0% (0)	
During the COVID pandemic, we introduced class emails/tapestry so that you could contact teachers easily. Do you find this way of communicating useful?	85% (129)	1% (2)	14% (20)
During the COVID pandemic, I think the school have tried everything they could to keep my child safe.	100% (151)	0% (0)	
On the weekly newsletter, via letters and texts, we have tried to keep you informed about the school's actions during the pandemic. Do you feel that you have been kept informed as much as possible?	95% (143)		mostly 5%(8)
Would your child say that he/she feels safe at this school?	100% (151)	0% (0)	
The school is well led and managed	99% (150)	1% (1)	
The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved	99% (149)	1% (2)	
The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year	96% (145)	4% (6)	
If your child has special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND), the school gives them the support they need to succeed. Only 66 people replied to this question so each answer is 1.5%	94% (65)	6% (4)	
The school has high expectations for my child.	98% (148)	2% (3)	
My child does well at this school.	99% (150)	1% (1)	
The school lets me know how my child is doing.	93% (140)	7% (11)	
There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school.	90% (136)	0% (0)	not sure 10% (15)
The school supports my child's wider personal development and their health and well being	98% (148)	2% (3)	
I would recommend this school to another parent.	99% (150)	1% (1)	

When I have raised concerns with the school they have been dealt with properly.

Yes	No	I haven't had any concerns, but feel assured that the school would deal with it if a concern arose
41% (62)	1% (2)	58% (87)

'Bullying is the repetitive, intentional hurting of one person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an imbalance of power'. My child has been bullied and the school dealt with the bullying quickly and effectively

Yes	No	my child has not been bullied, so cannot comment
7% (10)	2% (4)	91% (137)

Parents evenings. The results suggest that parents have mixed views; some like the flexibility of a phone call/ video link, whilst other prefer face to face. We will look into how we could offer a mix for the next parents evening.

## Some of the individual comments:

Many of you said 'Keep doing what you are doing!!!!' This means a lot to us, especially as we have had to adapt (sometimes with no notice) over the last 2 years, and we know that we haven't been able to offer the full Meadows experience during this time. Below are some of the comments we received (there were so many positives that I haven't included them all as some had the same sentiment- but thank you, we really appreciate them).

### Comments re the COVID pandemic:

- Thanks for everyone for their hard work during a very difficult couple of years
- Thank you for all the hard work you have all put in over the last 2 years.
- Amazing school. Thank you everything you have done during very difficult times.
- The school has coped and adapted well throughout the pandemic
- Amazing support over the pandemic, for parents and pupils alike.
- Despite living through a pandemic, I feel the school has tried to keep us informed and kept everyone safe.
- Thank you for trying to do special things for the children during the pandemic. I loved the Carol concerts and my child loved Father Christmas in Forest school.
- Thank you for everything you have done over the last 2 years for my children
- I think the school did an exceptional job in coping with the pandemic, trying to keep engaged and offer continuity of learning in very trying circumstances. It would be great to see the return of singing and other after school activities as soon as possible.
- Meadows is a fantastic school all my children have been so happy and content I feel all the staff teachers, teaching assistants, catering staff are all amazing and have done an incredible job in uncertain times over the course of the pandemic thank you so much for making school life as normal as possible for the children and creating a calming atmosphere further to continue to have fun whilst learning.
- Massive thanks and well done to the staff for working through the pandemic.
- I cannot thank or recommend this school highly enough, you have all been nothing short of amazing throughout this entire period. Knowledgeable, supportive, informative, positive and friendly, every member of staff that I have spoken with have been a pleasure to deal with. Keep doing what you are doing because you are fab
- We appreciate everything the staff have done during the pandemic to keep the children safe and in school. It has been such a difficult time.
- You have been amazing for children and parents during the pandemic. I expect nothing less from the caring staff at Meadows. Thank you

### Pastoral care:

- Extremely happy that well-being has been a huge focus.
- Our children are extremely happy and safe at school.
- Meadows is a wonderful school that makes the pupils feels safe and happy.
- Great school, with excellent and caring teachers.
- We feel that every member of staff genuinely cares about all the pupils and have nothing but praise for the school.
- Love that my child's mental health and well-being is supported as much as their academic needs
- We have always felt so supported by the school.
- Great school, really supportive and been amazing with my child's anxieties.

### SEN:

- Thank you for the extra support that you give to my child. Very approachable Sencos who are always willing to talk things through.
- The SENcos have supported me and my child so much. They are fantastic and I cannot thank them enough.
- My child has SEN and I feel informed about his targets in the last year - thank you
- Thank you to the SEN team for supporting my child so well. He has made so much progress
- We have had some interaction with the SEN team and I feel well supported by them when needed. I feel you're all doing a fantastic job under the hardest of circumstances, thank you.

### Leadership:

- All the teachers that my daughter has had in her years here, they have all been great & Mrs Hewitt is amazing!

- Excellent school. Thanks for being so proactive, innovative, and supportive.
- Great school, led well by forward thinking leaders.
- Exceptional leadership.
- Teachers are always ready to talk to us, but also it is great to have the Head and deputy on the playgrounds each morning to speak to if needed. Their welcoming smile says it all about the school.
- Fabulous staff, who are caring but set high expectations, which obviously comes from the amazing headteacher. I'm so pleased that my child goes to this school.
- Very forward-thinking school. Everything I see on the TV or in the papers that says what a school should be doing, Meadows is already doing it
- Meadows is an excellent school. I think the SLT is very strong and clearly create the right atmosphere for the rest of the teachers. I'd like to add a special mention that ..... was so supportive to the kids in the Jan 21 lockdown.
- Excellent leadership which is clearly evident in the remainder of the staff and their approach to school life and teaching. Visible teacher/ head teacher and deputy head presence at all times.

#### General comments:

- Amazing as always. Thank you for doing all that you do.
- Meadows is a brilliant school. I can't fault it one bit.
- We are extremely grateful to the school for providing education, care and support to our children. Keep up the good work!
- Great school very supportive. My child seems happy at this school.
- No comments- I am very happy with what meadows have/ is doing for my children.
- I am very happy with how the first year of my child's education is going. The Reception team and Management at Meadows are brilliant, second to none. I like that The Early Years are using The Curiosity Approach in the way they deliver the curriculum. My child is very positive about their learning experiences at Meadows.
- Really happy with everything so far!
- Meadows is an amazing school with amazing teachers and staff
- I love this school. Teachers are always helpful & great with the children. Wouldn't want my children to go anywhere else.
- Absolutely fantastic school and teachers! I am happy with the service provided :-)
- All my children have loved their time at Meadows. We feel there is a good balance of play and learning which keeps the children interested and happy to go to school.
- Fantastic School. Very happy with the school.  
We are very happy with the school and its teachers/ management and Admin team.
- Really informative website, which definitely helped during lockdowns.
- I appreciate the extras that you do, like wellbeing week, internet safety. The information on the newsletters helps the parents as much as the children.
- Great team of teachers, support staff & head Our child loves going to school & is flourishing, thanks
- I feel lucky that my child got a place at the school. I cannot fault the school- keep doing what you do! Great school, brilliant staff.
- I will be so sad when my child leaves at the end of year 4. Lovely school. Everyone is so welcoming
- Such a great school. Thank you for all your hard work!
- Fantastic school and team, their work ethic is amazing, the support my child has received has been second to none, teachers have great relationships with parents and communicating to them.
- My child has made so much progress at the school. Great teaching.
- Love Meadows and will really miss it when my child leaves.
- My concerns have been dealt with in a supportive way and the current teacher we have goes above and beyond to support our child. Very happy with the way he communicates and respects our wishes. The teacher is completely supportive
- Super school with wonderful staff. Learning is exciting and really has a massive impact on my child as they are thriving and really enjoying all subjects.
- My child loves school. Such a happy place to learn. Couldn't be happier.
- My daughter is in preschool so I only have a limited experience with Meadows. I have been very impressed with the standard Meadows sets itself and feel she will thrive here. Very happy parent.
- My child would describe his school as 'really nice my favourite thing is my friends and maths'

- My children joined the school in September 21, one in the preschool and the other in Reception. The first term was hard for both of them, with a new environment and teachers and us as parents having very limited access to the school but I feel under the circumstances both teachers have done a fantastic job and I can now see both of my children starting to thrive under their tutelage.
- Both of my children love being at Meadows, they have made some lovely friends and we feel supported by the teachers, highly recommended

I have tried also to answer the individual concerns (I have added these in red) but those parents can always contact me if they wish for more information.

- Over all the school does it's best for the children in their care. My child hasn't actually been properly tested for dyslexia but they have offered to give her extra help and some weeks she does say she never got it. This will have been due to staff shortages over the last term, as we have had to relocate staff to cover staff isolation.
- Current teacher takes days to respond to class emails so it is not a very effective means of communication this year. Worked really well in previous years. Staff try to respond quickly but not while they are teaching or ill. I have asked staff not to reply after 6pm as this is not their working hours due to supporting their wellbeing. Such a nurturing school. Thank you all for your hard work.
- I'd appreciate a termly newsletter emailed to us stating what the new topic is and what is being learnt instead of this only being on the website. We can start sending these out.
- We miss after school yoga 🧘 🧘 would be lovely to see trips return. Fantastic school and teaching staff. These are starting to return. More are starting after the holiday.
- I think that the school doesn't do enough about bullying- we do regular assemblies on this topic, as well as it being part of our PSHE curriculum. We partake in anti-bullying weeks. We also have a Thrive room where children can go for support.
- Would be great to see some of the outputs as we don't have these opportunities now as we can't come into school. We are arranging a time when parents can safely come into school to see work
- I would appreciate some additional input with regards to where the children are expected to be ending the academic year. How does the school plan to assist children who are behind in order to bring them up to standard for middle school? We are already doing catch up sessions in school for all pupils either in lessons, or during additional intervention time if needed. At parents evening, you will be informed at where your child is in respect to the end of year targets.
- Homework can be simple- we have concerns that as our child moves to middle school they are unprepared for the quality/amount. We are still providing home learning for pupils self-isolating etc so we have taken a step backwards with homework to take the pressure off parents. It is something we are looking into again.
- Maybe more outdoor education forest school for older pupils as good for their mental health and wellbeing plus learning practical skills not just academic. We try to do this as much as possible eg gardening (but not weekly as the timetable is very tight).
- We love the school. My only worry is that I feel sometimes children who are not SEN (Meadows has a high % per class) are overlooked slightly. We do have a high percentage of children with SEN, but these children's needs are catered for with extra support so that all children can receive the high-quality education that they deserve. This is why we have achieved higher results than national figures year on year, despite having high levels of SEN within the school.
- Would like to see quieter children given choice to have lines in a play or concert. We try to do this but sometimes the children do not want to be on stage; we try to accommodate all children in the best way we can.
- Would like to know what my child is doing more regularly. I will try to discuss such at the parents evening but am mindful that 9 mins is a short window- in comparison, our face to face meetings were 10 minutes long. We are offering follow up meetings if the current slot is not long enough
- I would appreciate more notice of when resources are needed for school purposes Friday is not soon enough when they are needed for Monday. We will try harder with this 😊
- I have two children at the school and their experiences have been very different. The youngest is in need of additional support and it doesn't feel very forthcoming. A lot of support goes on during the school day, and hopefully parents will be able to discuss this with the teachers at parents evening. Always contact us if you have concerns as we will always try our best to support your child.
- It's a shame sometimes communication can let Meadows down. Frequently the wrong dates for events are sent out with a follow up apology. We apologise for this and will try harder 😊 However, if that's all I can come up with it shows was an amazing job you are all doing. Thank you!