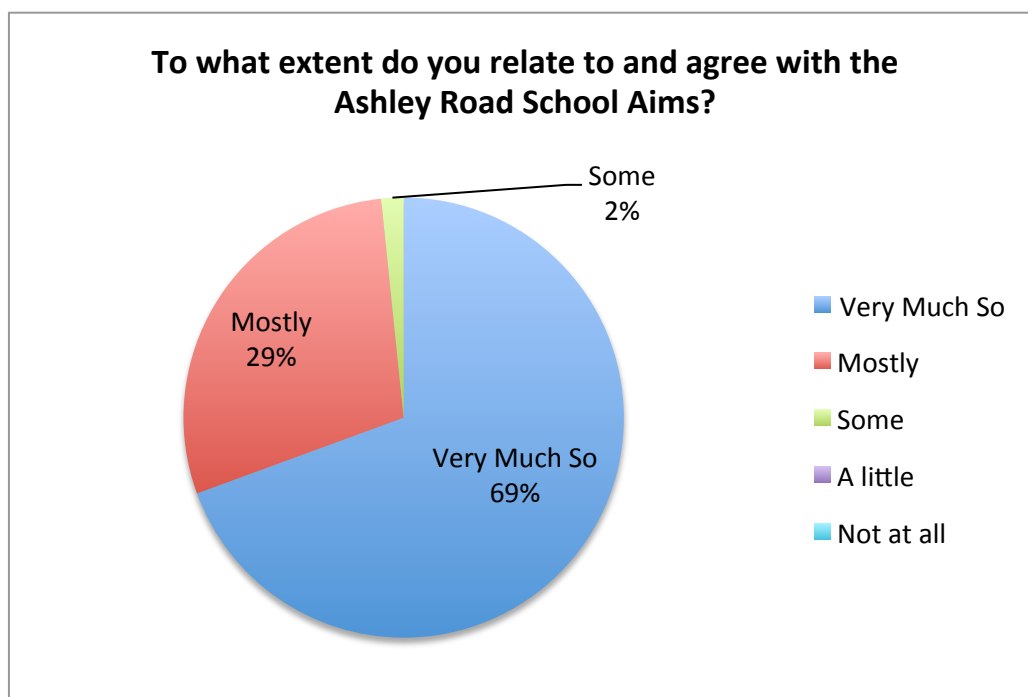
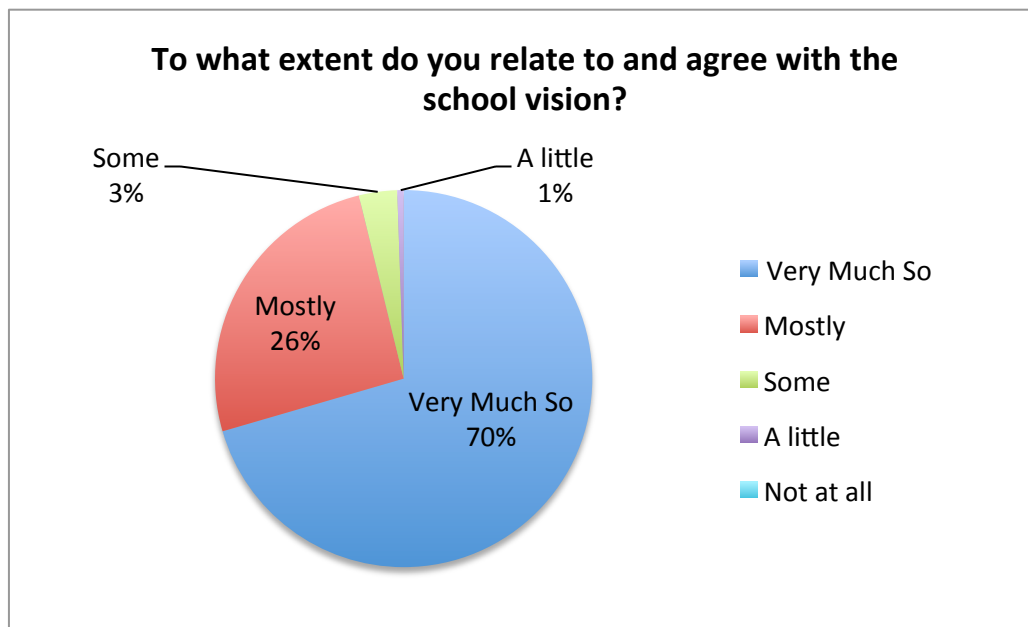




There were 183 respondents to the parent audit which was completed electronically during parents nights and on pick up/drop off in nursery. Respondents indicated which year groups their children are currently part of. This breaks down as follows:

	Nursery	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7
Number of pupils	33	37	36	25	33	35	20	37
Percentage of total sample	13%	14%	14%	10%	13%	145	8%	P7



*Due to the collation method of the audit, responses from parents with children in multiple year groups will show in each case.*

### **What do you feel we do well at Ashley Road School?**

#### Nursery

Very good at keeping the parents informed about any events happening within the whole school.

Encourage the children to be the best that they can.

Using a wide variety of topics/subjects to teach and encourage children academic and social skills

Good teacher/pupil relationships

Let children learn in a safe environment while caring and treating them as individuals.

Really happy with new nursery homework bag

Communication. I'm very confident that the nursery is a warm and nurturing environment. Any issues in terms of my daughters development have been highlighted at an early stage.

Everything. Excellent school with excellent staff.

Very involved and proactive in my child's learning and development..

Make learning fun.

Facilitating play

Both children are happy to come to school which is a good sign.

To be honest I cannot think of anything the school doesn't do well. The nursery is great, inclusive , fun, friendly, really approachable, a great balance between play and learning.

The staff really know the children and meet their needs effectively.

The extensive teaching methods for the children.

My child is well looked after in every way. His speech has come on considerably. He often speaks about everything he has learned from loading the dishwasher to finding out about volcanoes.

Being responsible for kids' intellectual, physical, personal and social development and progress

Very good

The safe environment and interesting schedule of workload for kids is wonderful

Yes

As a nursery parent, I feel that the nursery staff do a brilliant job in encouraging the children to learn and a lot of this is done through play which the children totally relate to. There appears to be so much work involved 'behind the scenes'. I totally notice a difference in my child's confidence and capabilities.

Lovely welcoming environment, try to include parents into helping in nursery

Very caring environment

Covering a range of activities and making children feel happy and secure.

Including the children in a wide variety of activities. Helping them become more independent & confident

The school is doing very well

#### P1 Responses

Seems inclusive, great to see. No signs of bullying. A great environment and great teachers.

Good communication, helping socialise children together, good teaching skills

I m really happy with the progress of my child. Teachers are really by nice.

Children are given the confidence and a safe and secure platform from which to learn.

Kids look happy and are definitely learning and making progress. Hence, you must be doing a good job at what schools are meant to do.

Communication with parent.

Parent engagement, promoting a positive environment and extra curricular activities, lunch and after school

Good manners, working independently

Integrate students and parents in frequent activities/communication

Good community spirit, the school embraces and engages children across the whole spectrum of age groups and abilities

Provide a safe environment to learn and offer the chance to learn new and exciting things.

Good communication

Homework objectives are clear

Way of teaching

Splitting them into groups of ability  
Building children's confidence  
Great very good  
Very welcoming school  
We like the culture of the school. It is a happy place for children, parents, teachers. Everyone is welcome and respected.  
Provide a fantastic learning environment.  
Provide a fantastic learning environment.  
We like the culture of the school. It is a happy place for children, parents, teachers. Everyone is welcome and respected.  
High quality teaching staff  
Strong leadership  
Integration of new pupils in P1  
Activities across different primaries  
Bringing in outside charities/community groups  
Learning and promoting confident kids.  
Enabling the children to develop their own personalities is one example but we're very pleased overall with the school  
Happy re all  
My child feels very supported. She's very happy  
Friendly welcoming school with a strong focus on confident and well educated children  
Great very good  
The school promotes a positive environment for learning. Our child is very happy here.  
Engaging the children. Make them feel responsible.

#### P2 Responses

Fostering children's pride in the school and in their own achievements.  
Ashley Road is an excellent community and it's nice to see all year groups interacting.  
Varied projects and activities  
Good friendly feel  
Happy inclusive learning environment  
Creating a fun and happy environment which encourages learning  
I think you interact with each individual child very well  
Our children have been looked after as individuals each experience has been great. We thank you  
Good communication  
Out of school trips and learning activities  
Create a happy atmosphere for all children. I Nocturne learning in a positive manner  
Praise for effort  
The school is great at encouraging the kids to join in, to be proud of their achievements and to work together.  
Inclusive, supportive and friendly.  
Always lots going on for children to be involved in .  
Very good  
Integrate primary classes well... Wide range of interesting topics covered  
Attitude and ethos are excellent. Communication is also a strength.  
Very well  
Encourage children to be the best they can  
Encouraging everyone, communicating with parents  
Plays are good.  
Sports.  
Learning experience.  
Teachers and heads are approachable. Excellent Christmas shows!  
Care for the individual child. - promote a very positive school ethos - high achieving school  
Good atmosphere well organised very nice staff  
Create an environment for children to grow

#### P3 Responses

Inclusive and very nurturing school  
Parents very much feel part of their child's learning.

Kids look happy and are definitely learning and making progress. Hence, you must be doing a good job at what schools are meant to do.

Good spirit in the school. Children are happy, confident & happy to learn. Door is always open.

Dedicated and varied education

Inclusive and very nurturing school

Parent engagement, promoting a positive environment and extra curricular activities, lunch and after school

Communication between pupils/teachers/parents appears to be a particularly strong point that has always impressed me.

Very committed teaching staff. Good communication and good at allowing parents to get involved.

Create a great environment for the kids to learn and feel safe

Keeping parents informed and organising parent / pupil events

Ashley road is a friendly school. The children are happy.

High quality teaching staff

Strong leadership

Integration of new pupils in P1

Activities across different primaries

Bringing in outside charities/community groups

Learning and promoting confident kids.

Great all round preparation for secondary school

Everything, our children are happy to come to school and are thriving here

Great ethos in the school

Encouraging children to succeed

All treated equal

#### P4 Responses

Encourage the children to respect each other regardless of background.

Fostering children's pride in the school and in their own achievements.

Pupil involvement & self confidence & awareness

Communication with regular newsletters

happy kids

Communication with parents.

Amount of Homework, science, reading etc.

We feel happy and secure

Communication, everyone is always welcome.

Good friendly feel

Creating a fun and happy environment which encourages learning

Work well with the children and the communication with everyone.

Providing lots of encouragement

Praise for effort

Inclusion and support

Inclusive, supportive and friendly.

We like the culture of the school. It is a happy place for children, parents, teachers. Everyone is welcome and respected.

Great inclusive community

We like the culture of the school. It is a happy place for children, parents, teachers. Everyone is welcome and respected.

Make learning fun for the kids

Enabling the children to develop their own personalities is one example but we're very pleased overall with the school

Attitude and ethos are excellent. Communication is also a strength.

Superb teachers and support staff.

Excellent art teaching.

Good teaching.

Encouraging everyone, communicating with parents

Facility

The school is like an extended family and children know others throughout the various year groups

We like the learning journey and feel involved with our children's learning.

Fantastic range of extra curricular activities for the children to participate in.

Good atmosphere well organised very nice staff

#### P5 Responses

Encourage pupils to be expressive and interested in a variety of subjects

Ashley Road is an excellent community and it's nice to see all year groups interacting.

Varied projects and activities

Happy inclusive learning environment

Good spirit in the school. Children are happy, confident & happy to learn. Door is always open.

Parent engagement, promoting a positive environment and extra curricular activities, lunch and after school

Attention to children. Good supportive environment

Communication between pupils/teachers/parents appears to be a particularly strong point that has always impressed me.

Student & parent involvement, activities, IT has improved a lot :- ) multiculturalism, environmental awareness

Very committed teaching staff. Good communication and good at allowing parents to get involved.

Provide lots of school trips. Encourage and motivate children using lots of different techniques.

Send children home happy

Treat pupils individually

The school is great at encouraging the kids to join in, to be proud of their achievements and to work together.

Ashley road is a friendly school. The children are happy.

Provide a fantastic learning environment.

Provide a fantastic learning environment.

Provide a good environment

Integrate primary classes well... Wide range of interesting topics covered

Very well

Everything, our children are happy to come to school and are thriving here

Parent liaison

Extra curricular events

Making the children feel proud of their work

My children are recent transferees to Ashley road and my wife and I have been really impressed by the way in which the school has settled them in. I am always impressed by the pleasant and confident manner of the children whenever I visit the school.

Create an environment for children to grow

#### P6 Responses

Encourage learning

Children are given the confidence and a safe and secure platform from which to learn.

Communication with regular newsletters

happy kids

Creating a fun and happy environment which encourages learning

Making children feel safe and teaching them about all the different cultures in the world and also about the importance of looking after our planet and healthy living

Good communication, very approachable staff

We are very co operative and interactive.

Good communication, very approachable staff

Provide a happy environment where children are encouraged and supported to do their best

Provide a structured learning environment

Communication with parents

Making every child feel special

Facility

Social events and clubs in addition to base learning.

Produce cooperative responsible learners

#### P7 Responses

I think Ashley road prepares the children for the future.

Create a good learning environment.

Fostering children's pride in the school and in their own achievements.

Encourage and support the children. Identifying specific needs which need support  
Create a happy, working environment .  
Communication, everyone is always welcome.  
Good friendly feel  
Kids look happy and are definitely learning and making progress. Hence, you must be doing a good job  
at what schools are meant to do.  
Work well with the children and the communication with everyone.  
Fostering a caring atmosphere  
Communication is very good between the school and parents  
Provide lots of school trips. Encourage and motivate children using lots of different techniques.  
Our children have been looked after as individuals each experience has been great. We thank you  
I think you are very good at teaching  
Good communication  
Out of school trips and learning activities  
Good communication to parents  
Very welcoming school  
Provide a fantastic learning environment.  
Provide a fantastic learning environment.  
Provide a structured learning environment  
A good coverage of activities and a good balance of homework.  
Attitude and ethos are excellent. Communication is also a strength.  
Superb teachers and support staff.  
Excellent art teaching.  
Great all round preparation for secondary school  
You teach the children very well.  
Parent liaison  
Extra curricular events  
My children are recent transferees to Ashley road and my wife and I have been really impressed by  
the way in which the school has settled them in. I am always impressed by the pleasant and confident  
manner of the children whenever I visit the school.  
The school is like an extended family and children know others throughout the various year groups  
We like the learning journey and feel involved with our children's learning.  
Fantastic range of extra curricular activities for the children to participate in.  
Creating a positive learning environment .  
A happy, safe and inclusive school.  
Excellent communication in the sharing of information on the website ; in newsletters and e-mails  
and texts.

**To what extent do you feel we actively encourage and support parents to take part in their children’s education and learning experiences?**

Overall Response	Very much so		Mostly		Some		A little		Not at all	
Percentage	50%		38%		11%		1%		0%	
Yeargroup	Nursery	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7		
Very much so	64%	49%	45%	52%	49%	47%	30%	53%		
Mostly	27%	38%	47%	28%	42%	41%	50%	39%		
Some	9%	13%	8%	20%	6%	12%	20%	8%		
A little	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	0%	0%	0%		
Not at all	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%		

**Nursery**

There are ample opportunities to visit the nursery and see what is happening. Parents always feel welcome.great communication.  
 The numeracy bags provided parents with a greater opportunity for engaging in the child's learning which we both enjoyed. The library book initiative is great too but as we already read lots of books at home it doesn't provide the additional participation or engagement that the numeracy bags do. Through library and the new numeracy bags which we have had great fun in using together as a family at home  
 Parent should be the ones taking the lead and main responsibility on their kids development anyway Again it's done very well. There is some level of introduction to homework for our little ones, which is very welcome.  
 Parents are encouraged and welcomed into nursery my daughter who has previously been reluctant to come to school loves it here  
 It's nice to have this as an option.  
 I have felt quite excluded from these opportunities this year having a baby as younger siblings aren't able to come along with me

**P1 Responses**

Enjoy doing homework with my girl. Great to see her learning to read. Enjoy the books  
 Get the opportunity to take part in things/ help out. Kept updated on class work/ school topics  
 Primary 1 teachers are excellent.  
 It is properly balanced  
 Good webpage, good communication system. Sometimes as a parent I am more curios in the daily day of my kid, maybe more pics or videos can be shown. P1 Childs aren't good in describing their days at school  
 Working full time, I rarely have the opportunity to contribute to school activities  
 Because we need to helping understanding there home work  
 Love the opportunity  
 The P4 science workbook for families is a great initiative  
 Issue of homework reading journal.  
 Because we need to helping understanding there home work  
 Teachers are always happy to have an informal chat and are approachable.

**P2 Responses**

Sometimes we are unaware of things happening in the classes  
 Feedback from the school is always very good  
 Lots of opportunity to help and be involved, plenty of events to see what the children are learning. Particularly enjoy the class assemblies.  
 Think the parent volunteers are essential to the smooth running of some outside activities. Lots of parents volunteer.

More interaction with class teacher & more regular updates on child's progress

I feel more discussion is needed on home work levels which are at times an excessive burden on working families. This feels very forced upon and when trying to do this with an irritable and tired child the learning experience is poor.

It would be really good to know in advance what the learning outcomes for the term are and what materials can be used at home to support this. Possibly a quick note in school bag if class teacher felt specific area needed revision / reinforcement at home.

Would be great to always send info home to working parents as we are not always up to speed

The PTA form a good link

#### P3 Responses

It is properly balanced

I would like to have more contact with teacher

Would prefer homework to be for pupils not parents (thinking here about crafty stuff!).

Apathy rules with parents I'm afraid.

We are included and welcomed at all times

Always enjoy coming in to celebrate the learning in the classroom.

#### P4 Responses

Still feel the homework is not taken seriously enough for those of us that do it on time

Feedback from the school is always very good

Lots of opportunity to help and be involved, plenty of events to see what the children are learning.

Particularly enjoy the class assemblies.

Homework load very weak

The P4 science workbook for families is a great initiative

See comments above re learning journey

Would be great to always send info home to working parents as we are not always up to speed

#### P5 Responses

Lots of opportunity through homework and projects

Sometimes we are unaware of things happening in the classes

More PT or longer ones

Would prefer homework to be for pupils not parents (thinking here about crafty stuff!).

More interaction with class teacher & more regular updates on child's progress

We are included and welcomed at all times

I have been impressed by the challenging nature of some of the homework projects my children have been given, which leave plenty of scope for children to benefit from some parental input. This also allows the parents some insight into their child's progress and performance.

The PTA form a good link

#### P6 Responses

Feedback from the school is always very good

We are kept up to date with everything that's going on via email txt or letter and are regularly given the opportunity to take part in anything we can

I feel that you do actively encourage parental involvement but that at times the forms of involvement are not easy for all parents to take part in.

#### P7 Responses

It is properly balanced

Love the opportunity

Apathy rules with parents I'm afraid.

I have been impressed by the challenging nature of some of the homework projects my children have been given, which leave plenty of scope for children to benefit from some parental input. This also allows the parents some insight into their child's progress and performance.

See comments above re learning journey



**The school website is one way we have been developing as a means of communicating news, children’s learning and parent information. I look at the website...**

Regularly	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
18%	45%	29%	8%

**If you answered regularly, what do you look at?**

Nursery  
 Newsletter, photographs, comments from parents  
 Email  
 Activities and events  
 Calendar, activities, news  
 Holidays dates up coming events etc  
 Tend to use social media more - ie Facebook.

P1 Responses  
 Or never to be honest... Get most info from the newsletters  
 Newsletter, photos, activities  
 News and links.  
 Lunch menu  
 Menu  
 Photos from activities  
 Photos and news

P2 Responses  
 Term dates and activities  
 Newsletters and blog  
 Photos of activities and newsletters  
 News updates and newsletter  
 Non  
 Newsroom  
 Term and holiday dates  
 Just surf  
 Need to advertise the service more

P3 Responses  
 Or never to be honest... Get most info from the newsletters  
 Photos and diary of events. The timely update of the website shows great dedication and pride in what is happening in the school.  
 Newsletter, photos, activities  
 News  
 Menu  
 Photos from activities  
 News

P4 Responses  
 Newsletters and blog  
 News updates and newsletter  
 Newsroom  
 Newsletters  
 Just realised how much stuff is there. We look at the photos with the children.

P5 Responses  
 Photos and diary of events. The timely update of the website shows great dedication and pride in what is happening in the school.  
 Newsletter, photos, activities  
 News  
 All of it.

Never received anything from the school  
 Photos of activities and newsletters  
 News, photos of recent events  
 News  
 Pictures  
 Need to advertise the service more

P6 Responses

Usually seems out of date with limited information compared to other schools such as manor park & west park schools.  
 Meals  
 Newsletters

P7 Responses

My child looks at it a lot,  
 Or never to be honest... Get most info from the newsletters  
 Term dates and activities  
 Newsletters and all General up-dates  
 Just realised how much stuff is there. We look at the photos with the children.

**Did you know that the following items are on the website?  
 Percentage of respondents who were aware of each item on the website.**

Parent information links - Curriculum for Excellence, E-Safety etc	Photos of children's learning	Newsletters	Community Information /Events	Parent Council Minutes	School/ Nursery Handbooks	School Dates	Lunch menu
56%	47%	78%	33%	34%	36%	74%	49%

**Is there any extra information you would like to be able to see on the website?**

Yes	No
9%	91%

P1 Responses

Academic syllabus for all the classes  
 Sport and clubs...  
 Maybe you want a password enabled area for pictures and other information  
 More on extra-curricular activities  
 Advance notice of dates for school plays or equivalent, or at least having this information in a prominent place ie not just in newsletters

P2 Responses

Curriculum and leaning materials are references for at home activities  
 What each class is currently working on  
 No comment as I have not seen the web site

P3 Responses

Sport and clubs...  
 Maybe you want a password enabled area for pictures and other information  
 Children's weekly timetable of events.  
 I love looking at the photos to see what my children & others in the school have been doing.

After school activities, parent area for homework assignments.  
More info on after school activities for the children  
More on extra-curricular activities

#### P4 Responses

Extra curriculum, activities, lunch menu  
Advance notice of dates for school plays or equivalent, or at least having this information in a prominent place ie not just in newsletters  
Forth coming trips planned for the term. Parents can try to coordinate time to help out.

#### P5 Responses

Children's weekly timetable of events.  
I love looking at the photos to see what my children & others in the school have been doing.  
Links to activities websites for children  
After school activities, parent area for homework assignments.  
Latest events  
Details of trips  
No comment as I have not seen the web site

#### P6 Responses

School clubs.  
Term topics per class  
Just make sure it's kept up to date  
About if the school is closed due to adverse weather  
Notices eg timing of cross country non uniform days. Class assembly times etc

#### P7 Responses

Sport and clubs...  
Maybe you want a password enabled area for pictures and other information  
About if the school is closed due to adverse weather  
Forth coming trips planned for the term. Parents can try to coordinate time to help out.

**In the last year we have been focusing on the following areas.**

Please tick any you have seen an improvement in.

Area of focus	Percentage of respondents who have seen improvement in the following areas
Learning and teaching of numeracy (through a focus on mental maths such as Big Maths, Numicon, nursery maths bags and weekly maths homework)	62%
Using technology and apps to develop numeracy	55%
Developing global learning, citizenship and enterprise activities from nursery through to P7 (through Pupil Group work, Eco, Rights Respecting, Pupil Forum, class enterprise activities as well as class projects)	40%
Developing science through science fairs, science clubs, class projects and visits and working with other primaries and the Grammar School	45%
Assessing and supporting children's learning (through reflection and evaluation in learning journeys, reviewing individual targets at regular intervals, creating child friendly learning plans when required.)	46%

**Next year we will concentrate on improving the library. Do you have any further ideas of areas we should be focusing on?**

Nursery

None

We think it's important that children also spent time outdoors even if the weather is not 'ideal.

We are puzzled by the need for iPads in nursery - it's hard enough to limit exposure at home!

Providing sensible education software is used we do not disagree, but temptation for teachers is that they could be used too much as they are 'easy' to occupy children

Not at this time.

Not at the moment

Not for now however I will let you know of any suggestions arise.

If my child was at school I could perhaps provide an answer for this.

I pad books and interactive books on iPad that we can follow up on at home eg Oxford reading tree for younger readers is available on iPad etc, also passwords for parents for interactive learning programs at home linked to school

#### P1 Responses

History/geography/diversity

There should be departments.

Continued focus on science & technology

The playground and equipment needs some attention, although I did hear that this is already planned.

Toilets

Re do the playground games ie what's the time Mr wolf and the giant snakes and ladders they were great when they were first done

Gym and sports.

Use of technology is very good but I would like to see opportunities for programming.

Playground

Toilets really need improving/kept cleaner. Our child has been reluctant to use the toilets. This is a concern and needs raised with the local authority.

Toilets.

#### P2 Responses

School dinners! Quantity and quality!

Though perhaps that's more a matter for the council?

Healthy eating, healthy lifestyle etc

Perhaps this a more personal opinion but the teaching of British history and although some children might be too young in particular the two world wars

Toilet facilities - I am aware the Council have funding issues...

Shelving

More general knowledge

Internal and external decor

Please put a note into children's school bag if a costume is needed for a play a while ahead.

Every day skills ?

#### P3 Responses

General building refurbishment, toilets etc

Technology such as coding

More homework please!

Better communication with violin teacher- no notebook, no communication.

General building refurbishment, toilets etc

Technology such as coding

Continued focus on science & technology

Continue to work on improving the outdoor space and technology.

The playground could do with an overhaul - at very least redo the painted games on the ground

The girls toilets

I noticed the children did not celebrate world book day this year. Quite a disappointment.

Gym and sports.

Use of technology is very good but I would like to see opportunities for programming.

Keep up all the great work

Notification of holiday, days or events with special clothes, etc sometimes we do not know about events due to several reasons and a quick email or sms or even a note in their note book would help.

One day or two earlier as a reminder, as it is done for donations sometimes via sms

#### P4 Responses

In terms of the library, would be advantageous to encourage donations from families and former pupils

School dinners! Quantity and quality!

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Preparation for secondary education and test conditions.

Perhaps this a more personal opinion but the teaching of British history and although some children might be too young in particular the two world wars

Team sports / games afternoons

#### Arts and crafts

Not respond for now

Appreciate difficulties with the lunch and amount especially for older children.

Really want to thank all teaching staff for their hard work and contribution to out of school activities at lunch and after school. My children love all the activities they do.

#### P5 Responses

More homework please!

Better communication with violin teacher- no notebook, no communication.

Continued focus on science & technology

My child says that the library needs to have better books.

Monitoring behaviour in the playground. Dedicated teachers carers for children with special needs

Continue to work on improving the outdoor space and technology.

Toilet facilities - I am aware the Council have funding issues...

Sports/general healthiness/better eating and problems associated with eating too much sugary stuff

Shelving

More general knowledge

Internal and external decor

Keep up all the great work

General upkeep of building tho appreciate this is budget related also more drama would be good as kids love it

Further 'public speaking' opportunities for the children. I saw a great example of this with the recent P5 science fair. A great combination of challenging homework, parental involvement, parent's 'day' and opportunity for the children to present their experiments and results to their classmates' parents. The children in Mrs Mani's class were brilliant!

Every day skills ?

#### P6 Responses

No

Perhaps this a more personal opinion but the teaching of British history and although some children might be too young in particular the two world wars

School phone line should be kept up to date regarding closure of the school. At the end of 2014, we called the phone line and the recorded message was from January 2012

Experiences working with industry and the wider community

More parental partnership in learning

Global Partnerships

Pupil involvement in school life

Celebration of Achievement

Not respond for now

Consider potential benefits of mixing classes after each year to encourage the pupils to interact more and promote inclusion.

Can't answer no 9 not been here a year yet

#### P7 Responses

School dinners! Quantity and quality! Though perhaps that's more a matter for the council?

Re do the playground games ie what's the time Mr wolf and the giant snakes and ladders they were great when they were first done

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Playground could be upgraded to more things for kids to play with

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