

**WHAT DO YOU THINK OF OUR SCHOOL?
PARENTAL QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS**
St. Mary's Catholic Primary School July 2016

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't know	<p>Questionnaire results are based on 83 responses, some representing families and most individual pupils.</p> <p>In a couple of instances parents did not tick in boxes for certain questions, so percentages are based on the number of responses for each question.</p> <p>Responses Received: Reception – 11 Year 1 – 15 Year 2 – 13 Year 3 – 12 Year 4 – 13 Year 5 – 14 Year 6 - 5</p>
1. The ethos of the school is good (distinctive character, attitudes)	61%	39%				
2. My child enjoys school	69%	31%				
3. My child feels safe at school	74%	27%				
4. The school ensures my child is well looked after	63%	37%				
5. St. Mary's pupils usually behave well	53%	45%			2%	
6. The school operates an effective system of rewarding and praising children	55%	39%	2%	1%	2%	
7. I am kept well informed about how my child is progressing	46%	48%	6%			
8. The school has high expectations for my child	49%	42%	5%		4%	
9. My child is taught well	55%	42%	1%		1%	
10. My child is making good progress	55%	40%	1%		4%	
11. The school is helping my child reach his/her potential	49%	43%	4%		4%	
12. The school responds well to my concerns	51%	43%	2%		4%	
13. The school provides appropriate homework	47%	47%	5%		1%	
14. I am kept informed about school developments, events and matters of interest	49%	48%		1%	1%	

Comments:

As parents we are happy to choose this school. My daughter has made very good progress. Her health is good.

I am very happy that my son started at St. Mary's. I am happy to see him speaking English with his classmates. I would like to thank his teacher and teaching assistants. I am proud that he is at this school.

My child loves to go to school. Every day she comes home happy! Thank you!

My child has enjoyed this year... despite his reluctance to work!

My son has settled very well and enjoys coming to school. He has thoroughly enjoyed his first year at school – thank you to the staff for their hard work and support.

My daughter has become more confident due to her very supportive teacher.

My daughter has had a wonderful year ... she has enjoyed school ... we could not have asked for more.

My daughter looks forward to coming to school each day. As a family we are very much looking forward to the next year and all it brings! Up to this point we certainly have no worries or concerns.

I'm really pleased with how my daughter has progressed this year. It's been lovely to see her blossom and her confidence grow!

My son has thrived at school this year and has been so happy. It's been great to see him develop socially.

My son has enjoyed the school trips.

Amazing support given to my child this year - thank you!

I have found St. Mary's to be a warm and friendly school. The staff have helped my child become more confident.

The staff at St. Mary's are kind, caring, dedicated and professional. They set a good example for the children to follow.

Thank you for the changes to Breakfast Club times – very helpful!

I am pleased with the progress updates we receive.

My son has thoroughly enjoyed his first year at school – thank you to the staff for their hard work and support.

School is always happy to help with everything; as parents we are glad to be part of this community.

My child has received a wonderful education here at St. Mary's. She has made progress every year and always enjoyed coming to school. She will be sad to leave the 'St. Mary's Family'.

Thank you to all the staff for their hard work and commitment and for preparing the children so well for the next stage of their lives as they go on to High School.

My daughter loves to go to school; every day she comes home very happy!

My child is happy at school and always excited to talk about school at the end of the day.

A big thank you to all the teachers and Headteacher for making St. Mary's a safe and happy environment for the children.

I feel that the extra activities included at school (Lego Man; Roman Soldier visit) make very special memories for the children. As a parent the newsletter is a fantastic way of knowing exactly what happens at school. St. Mary's is a very special place!

Ideas and Suggestions

Some of the website galleries could be more up to date.

I feel it is important that each child receives a 'Special Award' at least once in the school year.

Clearer communication on staff changes: i.e. when staff leave or start new roles.

I suggest a whiteboard outside Reception Class for notices.

The Zone Board is unclear – there should be a clearer framework that parents can understand.

Shorts and t-shirts should be added to the girls' summer uniform.

Aim to vary when class assemblies are held (not always on the same day please!)

More contact with teachers would be appreciated, with regard to strengths and areas of weakness.

My child is sometimes confused by some of the work set in class – it is not clear.

It would be great to see after-school football continue next year.

I am still concerned about the walk to the swimming pool in very wet weather.

It is not very nice to be in damp clothes all day.

More after-school clubs please.

Look into having an intercom by the main gate for security.

It would be useful if the dates section of the website could be kept more up-to-date; also the PTFA section.

I don't think there are enough rewards.

I think the school has a lot of great points and teachers but is let down by favouritism.

Not all messages always get through to parents.

Could we have a 'Class Catering' section on the website with contact details?

Could you please ask parents not to stand blocking the narrow path by Year Two toilets when picking up children, as other parents have to walk on the mud to get round them?

I'm not sure two years of the same teacher has worked for my child.

Homework is not always marked.

It would be helpful for parents to know the content of the Years Five and Six 'Sex and Relationships Education' teaching before the children start this programme.

A diary-style homework book would be useful.

Also, being able to email teachers with any questions or concerns you may have.

We could do with a bit more competitive sports.

Those children who work hard all year deserve more praise.

Special praise also with regards to attendance – for those attending between 95 – 100%, as well as 100% children.

Could we have more Maths homework sent home please?