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Student and Parent Surveys

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

We recently asked students and parents to complete some surveys.

Thank you to everyone who took part.

Your feedback is very important. It helps us see what we are doing well and what we need to improve. It also makes sure your voice is heard as we work to give students the best education.

Below, you can read a short summary of the results.

The school leadership team will look carefully at this information and use it to make changes that will improve your experience.

We are also pleased to tell you that we are now working with ParentKind, a UK charity that helps schools and parents communicate better. Our goal is to turn "complaints into compliments." This is part of our wider work with London South East Academies Trust, and we will share more soon.

We will check the impact of our work when we compare these surveys with the next set we do in the summer.

PARENT SURVEY

STRENGTHS

- Significant improvements since the last survey (May 2025)
- The number of parents who would recommend the school to another parent has grown
- Safety and happiness continue to be high
- Bullying is dealt with effectively
- Good range of subjects
- Majority recognise improvements since Ofsted
- Lots of opportunities to visit the school







- Good clubs and activity provision
- Improved complaints management

AREAS TO IMPROVE

- Improved communications on progress
- Send student support needs to remain a top priority
- Ongoing improvement to complaints management to build on work so far
- Wider development work to be better communicated

RESPONSES - AGREE/ DISAGREE %

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RESPONSES	Agree%	Disagree%
My child is happy at school	77	23
My child feels safe at this school	83	17
The school ensures students behave	68	32
My child has been bullied and the school dealt effectively	86	15
The school makes me aware of what my child will learn	75	25
Concerns I have raised have been dealt with properly	73	27
My child has SEND and the school supports them to succeed	52	48
The school has high expectations for my child.	73	17
The school lets me know how my child is doing	67	33
My child does well at this school	78	22
There is a good range of subjects on offer	85	15
My child can take part in clubs and activities	90	10
The school supports my child's wider development	66	34
I would recommend to another parent.	73	27
The school has improved since the last inspection	70	30
There are opportunities to attend school and celebrate success	91	9

STUDENT SURVEY

STRENGTHS

- Students feel safe and confidence in safeguarding is high
- School rules are clear and well understood
- Students know how to report bullying, and it is not tolerated







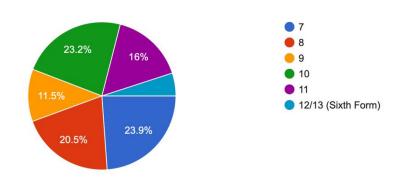
- Improvements in teaching quality have been seen
- Growing majority feel their school is a "good" school

AREAS FOR IMPROVEMENT

- Students still perceive behaviour to be poor, despite recent improvements seen across the school and in lessons. This was seen less in lower school year groups (7 and 8)
- Support for mental health is a key issue for many young people across the trust and can improve

PARTICIPATION

I am in the following year group.
419 responses



RESPONSES - AGREE/ DISAGREE %

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QUESTIONS	AGREE %	DISAGREE %
I am happy at School	65	35
I feel Safe at School	78	22
Teaching at the school is good	71	29
The school helps and supports me with my mental health	54	46
My School is a good school	66	34
My school continues to improve	60	40
I know how to report safeguarding concerns and to who	82	18
I know who to speak to for support with my Mental Health	76	24
The school teaches me to stay safe + online	69	31
School rules and consequences are clear	82	18
There is a good offer of extracurricular.	64	36
There are lots of School trips to go on.	72	28
Canteen Food is good	64	36
Careers Support Visits and information are good.	55	45
There are opportunities for Physical activity to stay fit and healthy	76	24
allows communication and respects my views	64	36







The school is active in tackling discrimination	66	34
I know how to report bullying	82	19
Bullying is not tolerated.	71	29
Students behave themselves	43	57
Teaching pushes me to my full potential	69	31
I get good feedback on how to improve	63	37
I learn and make good progress	67	33
I feel a sense of belonging	63	37

I hope you have found this of interest.

If you need to contact as at any time about your experience, please contact the school who will be happy to help.

If you don't already – the best place for information and news from the school is our official WhatsApp channel which can be followed here:

https://whatsapp.com/channel/0029VbBXOCMF6sn1x28uYR0c

Kind regards

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