



Gipsey Bridge Academy

Autumn Questionnaire Results 2021



Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you for taking the time to complete the online questionnaire. I received returns from 25 families, which equates to be about 40% of the school population- our best return yet! All of your responses have been collated and the findings are below. I have also tried to address some of the questions which caused a 'Don't Know' response.

Overall, the school continues to thrive and we are delighted that this is reflected in your feedback.

		Agree/ Strongly agree	Don't know
1	My child is happy at school.	92%	4%
2	My child feels safe at school.	92%	4%
3	The <u>school</u> makes sure its pupils are well-behaved.	92%	
4	My child has been bullied and the school dealt with the bullying quickly and effectively.	24%	68%*
5	The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year.	88%	8%
6	When I have raised concerns with the school they have been dealt with properly.	64%	32%*
7	My child has SEND, and the school gives them the support they need to succeed.	66%	33%
8	The school has high expectations for my child.	80%	20%
9	My child does well at this school.	92%	4%
10	The school lets me know how my child is doing.	96%	
11	There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school.	92%	8%
12	My child can take part in clubs and activities at this school.	96%	4%
13	The school supports my child's wider development.	76%	24%
14	I would recommend this school to another parent.	100%	

***Parents and children had not experienced any bullying incidents or had any concerns.**

Key areas of success:

- My child feels happy and safe at school.

The vast majority of parents/carers said they felt your child was happy and safe at school, which we are delighted about. Being happy at school is of paramount importance and I'm pleased that this has come through in a positive way. We will always continue to support our children's well-being and will always do everything possible to ensure that your children's time at Gipsey Bridge is safe, positive and rewarding.



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- My child does well at this school.
The majority of you said that your child does well at this school- this is something which we are very pleased with. We always try to ensure that children receive the right levels of support and challenge in class.
- The school has high expectations for my child.
We expect our children to be the best that they can be. That is part of our values and mission at Gipsey Bridge and aim for all our children to become confident individuals and interested in their learning which is why we provide learning opportunities which are engaging and of high interest. We not only have high expectations for what your child can achieve, we also expect the best of them in terms of manners and behaviour. I have high standards for everyone at Gipsey Bridge and I thank you for helping me and my team maintain them.
- There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school.
This one is fantastic to read with most responses acknowledging our broad and balanced offer. The changes to the curriculum, which we only started in September 2020, have been brilliant in delivering to the children a fantastic range of subjects across the whole year. There have been some brilliant projects going on- everything from finding out about magic in Reception, Brazilian carnivals in class 1, mountain explores in class 2 and learning about Britain at war in class 3. I'm really looking to next year when our projects can be interspersed with more enrichment opportunities.
- I would recommend this school to another parent.
We were delighted that **ALL** parents and carers stated that you would recommend Gipsey Bridge to another parent. We continue to be very proud of our school and are glad that you are too.

Areas for development:

- My child has been bullied and the school dealt with the bullying quickly and effectively.
Firstly, I'm pleased that a vast majority of children have not experienced any bullying. For those that have, please be assured that it is something which we take very seriously and most feel, that where it has taken place, it was dealt with quickly and effectively. Please continue to work with us and let the school know of any instances and we will continue to do our best to solve any problems. The feedback I have received since September has been that any problems have been dealt with quickly.
- The school supports my child's wider development.
Going beyond the academic is something we not only value but make explicit at Gipsey Bridge. We are working hard to promote the children's well-being with zones of regulation in classrooms as well as calm boxes and other resources. JB Sports Coaching comes into school every week to deliver a PE lesson and we take part in inter-school competitions. Our mini police programme is back up and running and we are looking forward to seeing who wishes to be nominated this year. As you can see, we support a lot more than just mathematics and English.
- The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year.
Our curriculum is run over a two-year cycle to ensure that we get the best coverage in terms of the subjects we teach- a long-term plan is on the curriculum page of the website. Every term, class teachers produce a curriculum overview for that project, detailing what subjects and areas will be covered during that half term. These are also on the school website, class pages tab for each year group. We have also introduced new knowledge organisers which have the key facts and information which the children will need to learn over the term.



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We will take on board the improvement comments you have made in terms of making communication even better and how we can take learning outdoors.

Some of your comments below:

- "I am very happy with all of the amazing WOW events and celebration assemblies we have been able to attend after such a terrible year or so and it's lovely to see the children happy and involved."
- "I have been so pleased with everything so far and actually I'm so happy things have worked out this way as I have been so impressed by everything so far and my child is very happy with the school."
- "Great school overall. Really glad to have chosen it. 😊"
- "I know this would mean extra work for a teacher but could consideration be given to a reading club during school time?"
Delighted that this is already taking place. Mrs Smart runs a Reception and KS1 club (with a little help from our older children)
- "It's great to finally be allowed to have assemblies and start mixing again with events in school."
- "GB Rocks!"
- "Thank you"
- "My child has only been at this school several weeks and so far I'm very pleased and she feels very happy and welcome there. So I thank you all for making her feel welcome."
- "We are very happy with how well our son is doing at school, each day he tells us something new he has learnt and he enjoys coming to school and has made many friends in various years. We are proud of how well he's settled in after being told there was some concerns initially. Thank you everyone for your support"

Thank you all once again for your contributions in helping make Gipsey Bridge the best it can be.

Mr Clarke