



Wednesday, 25 September 2019

Dear Parents

At our last Safer Schools meeting at the end of the Summer Term, the parent's questionnaire was discussed and the results were as follows;

1. 94% of parents said the school was a safe site. We had one negative reply which was due to the car park being hazardous at dropping off and picking up times because of the sheer volume of traffic and on occasions dangerous driving.
2. 94% of parents said the school was tidy and welcoming and we had one negative reply which said the front of the school could do with brightening up.
3. 94% of parents agreed the signs around the school were adequate one reply stated the school needed bigger and clearer signage.
4. 100% of the replies knew that as a parent / carer visitor they should report to the main reception.
5. 94% of parents felt that visitor badges were well deployed. One reply said that not all parents were asked to wear visitor badges.
6. 100% of replies stated that they were not aware of any unauthorised people using our school site.
7. Additional comments included;
 - *A happy and safe environment for my child*
 - *Thank you for making child safety an important part of what you do*
 - *Suggest staff wear safety jackets when walking to and from church*
 - *All the staff are friendly and welcoming*
 - *The outside of the school could do with brightening up*
 - *Could do with some sort of supervision around the car park too many children not wearing seat belts and hanging out of open windows and too many adults and children in the car*
 - *The school has a lovely trusting atmosphere*

The school is responding to these questionnaires in the following ways;

- The car park belongs to the Parish Council and is not School property, however the newsletter regularly includes reminders to parents about safe driving, parking and pedestrian behaviour. The police are aware of the problems and will monitor the car park on their patrols.
- Children already have 'Stepping Out' road safety training around the village, and the school will look into purchasing some hi-viz jackets for staff.

- We would like to improve the appearance of the front of the school and the we are looking to raise money to fund the purchase of seating and planters around the school.
- We are always looking to ensure our safeguarding is robust and we are asking parents to sign in for Open the Book and ensuring parent visitors have visitor badges on.

Safer Schools Pupil Surveys – completed by both Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2

- **Do you feel safe in school?** All the children questioned felt safe in school
- **Would you recognise a school visitor badge?** 85% of children would recognise a visitor badge, 9% were not sure and 6% said no they wouldn't.
- **What would you do if a visitor was not wearing a school visitor badge on the school site inside or outside the building?** 92% of children would tell a member of staff if they saw a visitor in school without a visitor badge on.
- **If you see a visitor, parent or member of staff at the front door asking to be let into school, what would you do?** 80% of children knew they shouldn't let anyone in school. *Action: School Council to talk to pupils about issues raised from the Safer Schools survey.*
- **What would you do if you were worried about something?** If a child was worried, all but 3% children would tell a member of staff or leave a note in the worry box.
- **Do you think the school is tidy and welcoming?** The improvements suggested by the children include more flowers and benches around school and new playground apparatus. *The school is looking to improve this and is working with the children to see which playground apparatus they would like.* They would also like to improve the lighting in the Key Stage 2 corridor and have more school council meetings. Again the school is looking into purchasing some additional lighting for the corridor and this year the School Council has already met and also now includes a pupil representative from the Years 3 and 4, in addition to 2 pupils from Key Stage 1 and the Year 6s.



We would like to thank everyone who filled in the questionnaires and returned them and if you would like to make any additional comments, please talk to myself or to Mrs Morgan in the School Office.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher