## Parent Survey Results, June 2025

Every year we survey our parents, staff and pupils to evaluate life in our school. The following are the results from the parent survey that ran during May 2025.

The feedback from parents once again has been really positive and informative. The results show us to be a school where the children are happy, staff care and relationships are strong.

# CASTLE GARDENS P.S.

## Summary of Parent Survey – 50 returns covering 67 pupils.

We received 50 responses relating to a total of 67 children in the following year groups. P1: 7, P2: 9, P3: 7, P4: 11, P5: 11, P6: 13, P7: 7, Speech: 2

## Parent Survey – Results

My child is	happy and	settled in	school.	94% positive
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Strongly Agree 76% Agree 18% Disagree 6% Strongly Disagree 0% Don't Know 0%

## Teachers are caring and show commitment to my child's welfare. 98% positive

Strongly Agree 76% Agree 22% Disagree 0% Strongly Disagree 2% Don't Know 0%

## Teachers are committed and enthusiastic. 96% positive

Strongly Agree 72% Agree 24% Disagree 2% Strongly Disagree 2% Don't Know 0%

#### My child is encouraged to work hard and do their best. 96% positive

Strongly Agree 68% Agree 28% Disagree 4% Strongly Disagree 0% Don't Know 0%

## My child/children's physical and emotional wellbeing is valued. 96% positive

Strongly Agree 76% Agree 20% Disagree 2% Strongly Disagree 2% Don't Know 0%

## My child/children enjoy coming to school 94% positive

Strongly Agree 66% Agree 28% Disagree 4% Strongly Disagree 2% Don't Know 0%

#### The school provides opportunities for me to discuss my child's learning needs 98% positive

Strongly Agree 72% Agree 26% Disagree 0% Strongly Disagree 2% Don't Know 0%

## The school has a culture of high expectations for all children. 94% positive

Strongly Agree 62% Agree 32% Disagree 0% Strongly Disagree 2% Don't Know 4%

## Learning experiences are matched to the needs and abilities of my child. 96% positive

Strongly Agree 62% Agree 34% Disagree 2% Strongly Disagree 2% Don't Know 0%

#### Staff treat all children fairly and with respect. 96% positive

Strongly Agree 66% Agree 30% Disagree 2% Strongly Disagree 2% Don't Know 0%

## The school is well resourced to meet the needs of all pupils. 92% positive

Strongly Agree 52% Agree 40% Disagree 2% Strongly Disagree 4% Don't Know 2%

# Pupils in this school are encouraged to behave. 96% positive

Strongly Agree 68% Agree 24% Disagree 4% Strongly Disagree 0% Don't Know 1%

# Pupils in this school are well behaved. 96% positive

Strongly Agree 56% Agree 40% Disagree 4% Strongly Disagree 0% Don't Know 5%

If my child is unwell or unhappy his/her concerns would be listened to sympathetically. 94% positive Don't Know 2% Strongly Agree 70% Agree 24% Disagree 2% Strongly Disagree 2% The school encourages children to be active and healthy. 98% positive Strongly Agree 68% Agree 30% Disagree 2% Strongly Disagree 0% Don't Know 0% I am confident that the school will deal with any complaints or concerns I may have. 96% positive Strongly Agree 74% Agree 22% Disagree 2% Strongly Disagree 2% Don't Know 0% The school provides a range of after-school activities that extend children's learning. 96% positive Strongly Agree 62% Agree 34% Disagree 4% Strongly Disagree 0% Don't Know 0% The school encourages my child to develop his/her personal and social capabilities. 98% positive Strongly Agree 70% Disagree 2% Strongly Disagree 0% Don't Know 0% Agree 28% The school encourages good attendance and punctuality. 98% positive Strongly Agree 74% Agree 24% Disagree 2% Strongly Disagree 0% Don't Know 0% The school is welcoming and there are opportunities to get involved. 96% positive Strongly Agree 72% Agree 24% Disagree 2% Strongly Disagree 2% Don't Know 0% I have a good understanding about what standardised scores are, what they mean and how my child is doing. 97% positive for parents for which it is relevant. Not relevant for 18% of parents. Strongly Agree 51% Agree 46% Disagree 3% Strongly Disagree 0% Don't Know 0% The school works hard to promote and maintain good links with parents 96% positive Strongly Agree 74% Agree 22% Disagree 2% Strongly Disagree 2% Don't Know 0% As a parent, I am well informed about what is going on in school. 96% positive Strongly Agree 72% Agree 24% Disagree 4% Strongly Disagree 0% Don't Know 0% It is easy to speak to a member of staff if I have any concerns regarding my child. 98% positive Strongly Agree 80% Agree 18% Disagree 0% Strongly Disagree 2% Don't Know 0% The school works hard to promote and maintain good links within the local community. 96% positive Strongly Agree 68% Agree 28% Disagree 4% Strongly Disagree 0% Don't Know 0%

Should we keep 8.30am start time?

Yes 98% No 2%

What do you think of Eduspot?

Good 40% Very Good 56% Poor 2% Very Poor 2%

Is becoming integrated something you think our school should consider?

Yes 44% No 18% Don't Know 38%

We have three suppliers of uniforms, where would you normally buy school uniform from?

Signature Works 54% David Crawford 16% Schooldays 16% Other 14%

Funding for Healthy Happy Minds stopped at the end of March 2023. Counselling will continue to be provided in Castle Gardens at a cost to the school. Do you agree with this decision? (8 responses) Strongly Agree 63% Agree 13% Disagree 0% Strongly Disagree 25% Don't Know 0%

Last summer we reorganised parking within the school grounds to increase capacity and improve safety. Did these steps do this?

Yes 78%

No 2%

Don't Know 20%

Should we continue to allow parents to park inside the school grounds?

Yes 98% No 2%

Is there anything that you would like to see introduced into our school or something that you feel we could improve? (summary of responses)

- Better inclusion and educations towards different countries, foods, cultures
- More after school club options including forest school
- Review of homework in Foundation Stage
- Earlier start for Breakfast club
- Communication when sub teachers are covering classes
- Escorts for pupils through the Bowtown after school
- Sanctions for people parking on double yellow lines, driving round the roundabout wrong way

## **Other Comments**

A large number of very complimentary comments were offered regarding our school, staff and overall efforts to support our pupils. Suggestions for more PE, extension of the curriculum and