



My child is happy at this school				
Strongly agree 52	Agree 21	Disagree 3	Strongly disagree 1	Don't know
My child feels safe at this school				
Strongly agree 53	Agree 18	Disagree 3	Strongly disagree 1	Don't know
My child makes good progress at this school				
Strongly agree 45	Agree 26	Disagree 3	Strongly disagree	Don't know 2
My child is well looked after at this school				
Strongly agree 49	Agree 22	Disagree 3	Strongly disagree	Don't know 1
My child is taught well at this school				
Strongly agree 46	Agree 28	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know 1
My child receives appropriate homework for their age				
Strongly agree 42	Agree 28	Disagree 1	Strongly disagree	Don't know
This school makes sure its pupils are well behaved				
Strongly agree 43	Agree 29	Disagree 4	Strongly disagree 2	Don't know 2
This school deals effectively with bullying				
Strongly agree 28	Agree 17	Disagree 7	Strongly disagree 5	Don't know 13
This school is well led and managed				
Strongly agree 51	Agree 21	Disagree 2	Strongly disagree	Don't know 1
This school responds well to any concerns I raise				
Strongly agree 43	Agree 20	Disagree 3	Strongly disagree 4	Don't know 3
I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress				
Strongly agree 40	Agree 26	Disagree 6	Strongly disagree 2	Don't know
Would you recommend this school to another parent?				
Yes 68	No 4	Don't know 3		

94.8% of parents stated their children were happy at St. Columba's.

94.66% of parents stated their child felt safe at St. Columba's.

94.66% of parents stated their child was making good progress at our school.

94.66% of parents stated their child is well looked after at our school.

98.66% of parents feel their children are well taught at St. Columba's.

98.59% of parents feel their child gets the appropriate amount of homework.

90% of parents feel the school makes sure the children are well behaved.

64.28% of parents feel the school deal effectively with bullying.

**A further 18.57% don't know –many comments on this were due to not having had to deal with these types of incidences. Comments included:**

- Not had this to deal with
- Never had to deal/seen an example of this so can't comment

96% of parents felt the school is well led and managed

86.3% of parents felt that the school responded well to concerns they raised

89.18% of parents felt they received valuable information about their child's progress from the school

90.66% of parents that responded would recommend the school to other parents. 4% of parents don't know and 5.34% parents would not.

### **Positive Comments**

- Our child has only been in Nursery since September, but we feel very positive about the school so far.
- An after school club would be an excellent addition to make an already good school, even better.
- I am very happy with St. Columba's. A high standard of education is achievable. New Headteacher and office personnel are very caring and understanding. All staff in school are very professional and approachable. Outstanding school in my view.
- A few years ago I wouldn't have recommended this school, but with the turnover in Head and Deputy I would recommend it now.
- Four generations of our family have attended this school. Although the teachers have changed throughout the years. I have always given high praise for the teachers, staff and school.
- Great term plans to inform parents of what topics will be taught that term.
- St. Columba's is a really good school. One of my children has left the school and she has fond memories of her time there. My youngest had some 'issues' with another girl in her class. The teacher dealt with it excellently and my child is once again very happy.
- We have complete faith in the school and all the staff in it. Our son has flourished since starting Nursery. Thanks to all the staff for their ongoing hard work.
- Our son has developed and progressed so much since he joined Nursery and that is a credit to the school and staff. It is a fantastic learning environment, there appears to be excellent leadership at the school and staff all seem happy in their work. I would not hesitate to recommend this school to other parents.
- From Nursery throughout, we have always had such a high opinion of the school. Both children have progressed and settled very well.
- I feel happy as a parent sending my child to this school. When or if my child has any issue relating to the school, she talks to me about this and we resolve the issues together. I feel if I needed to come to the school to discuss any issues, it would be supported.

- Excellent school from Nursery through to Y6. Has a real friendly feel where all staff and children know each other throughout the full school.
- I could not wish for a better school than this one for my child.
- A fantastic school with amazing staff.
- Lovely small school, fun and welcoming environment for children. Lovely staff who clearly enjoy their jobs.
- My child says he enjoys his days and is happy at school.
- We are very happy with the school, we are confident that our children are in the best place and have no worries about how the school is led and managed. A very good school.
- We had concerns last year about bullying. This was dealt with promptly and effectively. We were left in no doubt that our child was fully supported. We also felt completely happy that the matter was resolved and would have no qualms about approaching the school if further matters arose. We are very happy with this school.
- Would always recommend this school, fantastic from Nursery through to Y6.
- Small family orientated primary school that is friendly and promotes Catholic Ethos.

#### **Suggested areas for development**

- More frequent written reports would be useful, rather than one end of year report.
- Quicker feedback when I've raised an issue about my child being picked on.
- I am a little concerned about the behaviour of some children, but as this information is second hand from my child, I am not sure how much is just his perception of situations.
- I suggest that at the beginning of every term we have a plan for what the children will be learning that term.
- Only two parents' evenings per year, so I'm not always sure about what progress is being made.

**Without exception, all parents who ticked 'strongly disagree' or 'no', left the questionnaire anonymous and did not offer any further comments.**

#### **Action**

- Amending behaviour and anti-bullying policy (to be finalised by March 2017)
- Implemented new playground rules and routines in agreement with School Council
- Developing use of Young Sports Leaders at lunchtime
- More opportunities to gather feedback from parents, especially concerning issues raised
- End of year expectations to be sent out to all parents prior to parents evening in March 2017. These will be used as the basis for conversations around progress.