

## Maths In Action - November 2019

29 replies

"St Columba's makes us warm in our heart."

### Have you enjoyed the opportunity to work alongside your child in a Maths Lesson?

100% of parents expressed approval

...it's been a brilliant idea...

...it was fun...

...really valuable to see how the children are taught...

...thoroughly enjoyed spending time with my son in the classroom...

...a great opportunity to see how the kids learn...

...good to see how my child responds to Maths in a classroom situation...

...nice to see how the lessons are structured...

...loved it...

### Have you gained new information or Maths strategies that you can use with your child at home?

97% agreed

...we can help at home with what was explained in the lesson...

...different ways of working out to how we did it at school...

...terminology used...

...it will help assist my child with homework...

...methods have changed since I was at school. I'm always afraid I'll confuse my child by showing her my way but I'm pleased I can now multiply as she does...

...I appreciate the importance of showing *how* the answer is arrived at...

...I can now see how the questions are structured...

(continued below)

Please list any positive feedback you would like to share

86% of parents contributed additional positive feedback

...a most enjoyable session... a success... more of these would be beneficial...

...my daughter is well-supported in her learning...

...the teacher was very enthusiastic and helps make learning as fun as possible...

...I learned lots of new strategies to help at home...

...I've left feeling more informed about my son's progress...

...good to see the children concentrating...

...kids feel comfortable to share their answers - getting it wrong isn't a big deal as it supports them getting it right next time...

...it was clear to see the teacher is passionate about the children reaching their full potential...

...I really enjoyed seeing different maths games...

...the teacher was welcoming and approachable...

...Y6 is running very smoothly... I'm impressed...

...good to see Y6 isn't all focussed on SATs - there was consolidation of previous work and different learning methods were supported...

...good use of the internet...

Any additional feedback you would like to give?

8 parents gave further feedback, mostly in the form of requests for a repeat of this session in other subjects. One parent gave advice on keeping her child on task (!); one parent commented on the challenges facing teachers when working with lower-ability pupils in a class of 30.

What do you value about St Columba's as a special place for your child and your family?

25/29 respondents prioritised what they value about the school as follows:

40% - a happy and safe learning environment

"My girls go in happy and come out happy - which is all we want!"

"It's a fun environment for learning."

"There's a feel-good factor and an attention to detail."

32% - a family/community atmosphere

"There's a family-orientated feel and it's a close-knit school."

"I love how the school celebrates all achievements, in and out of school."

28% - caring, approachable & supportive staff

"I always feel that the teachers, head teacher and office staff really go out of their way to help my children and our family and are very supportive."

"The staff are lovely and the teaching is at a high standard."