Blackmoor Park Junior School
Parents' survey 2023



The results

Thank you for completing the questionnaires and adding your comments; we were delighted with all the positive and encouraging feedback that we received.



What you had to say about BPJS – February 23

"…a great sense of school community where children are mindful and supportive of each other – both my children have loved their time at Blackmoor!"

"Fantastic to see staff at the school gates in rain, hail or shine with cheery smiles and happy greetings EVERY MORNING! Lovely start and the visibility helps relationships."

"School is excellent at noticing when certain children are struggling and acting on it – they're happy to bring in additional support."

"…some really strong teachers and dedicated support staff."

"Teachers are proactive; they are very approachable and care about pupils."

"…staff are very friendly and approachable. On the odd occasion I've had a problem, it has always been dealt with quickly and effectively."

"I think the school is brilliant! We've never had any problems – my daughter goes in happy and comes out happy!"

"I like the weekly newsletter to keep us updated on activities etc."

"The staff at breakfast and after school club are great!"

"[School is] a safe place for children to both learn and play."

"Teachers are interested and encourage children to want to learn whilst also incorporating fun activities e.g. arts week, visiting theatres and the colour run."

"My child is excited to go to school; she has a good rapport with her teacher."

"We feel welcomed and supported and my child's additional adult is amazing."

"I love that there is a member of staff outside the school [gate] each day."

"The children have good learning opportunities."

"Whenever my daughter needs any help she feels there are lots of people who can help her."

"My child enjoys his lessons and his relationship with his teacher."

"Teachers are approachable and helpful when you need to address an issue."

"[Staff] are good at praising and celebrating children's achievements"

"[School] is good at celebrating all cultures and religions so children are aware."

"Teachers are all good and great at encouraging children to [progress]."

"Extra-curricular and enrichment activities are great"

"Newsletters, texts and emails - communication is much better than at other schools!"

"The parent teacher meeting was helpful to let us understand what children learn at school."

"My daughter has had great relationships with all her teachers and it was clear during our parent teacher meeting that her teacher knew her which is lovely and reassuring."

BPJS is a "happy and inclusive school."

"My child feels safe in school."

"Everything is great – thank you!"

"Staff are good at helping children feel welcome in the morning, celebrating special occasions and helping children feel relaxed."

"Communication is good and that staff know all the children. Also praise given to children by way of raffle tickets, reading incentives and rewards."

"Breakfast Club is amazing including all the staff – it sets my child up for the school day."

"Learning is interesting and there is a good variety or learning materials…you do a great job looking after children's mental health as well."

"Children always seem to be excited to be in school!"

"Just the right amount of homework for this age and the reading books are great!"

In addition to the comments above, we have drawn together a summary of things you think we do well and things you would like to see improved:

Things that you said we did well (themes):

- ✓ BPJS is overwhelmingly an inclusive and welcoming school
- ✓ Kind, friendly and approachable staff
- ✓ Enrichment, events and assemblies
- ✓ Praise and rewards
- ✓ Communication (especially the newsletter 😊)
- ✓ Curriculum, teaching and learning
- ✓ Parent teacher meetings.

Ideas and things that you said we need to improve (themes)

- More trips and visits (being mindful about costs), including more residential trips/ concerts/ tours
- More themed weeks for the whole school
- Invite more people into school to talk to children
- More after school/ lunchtime activities/ clubs
- Consistent messages for children through the school (reading levels/ pen licences)
- Dealing with disruptive children
- Greater challenge for higher achieving children
- More information about what individual classes are doing
- More opportunities to think about emotional wellbeing
- Improve wet break times
- More equipment for break and lunchtimes
- More information about how individual children are progressing
- Develop the website
- Feedback on spelling test results and homework
- Healthier lunches
- More opportunities for praise to be communicated home
- Showcasing more children's work to parents
- Clear, consistent and timely communication regarding special educational needs
- SEND factsheets on the website outlining procedures and realistic timelines
- Sessions to educate children about SEND and barriers to learning to reinforce inclusivity
- More sport and more sports teams (ensuring all teams have the same opportunities)
- More intervention opportunities for children who are struggling
- Better liaison with the infant school
- Communication; the school app isn't brilliant.

2023 survey results

QUESTION	Strongly agree	Agree	Don't know	Disagree	Strongly disagree

1	My child is happy at school	40%	46% 86%	4%	8%	0%
2	My child feels safe at school	46%	44% 90%	6%	5%	0%
3	Children are well behaved at school	22%	50% 72%	12%	13%	1% 14%
4	The school informs me of what my child will be learning	18%	46% 64%	27%	7%	0%
5	My child is doing well at school	38%	49% 87%	11%	3%	0%
6	Staff have high expectations for my child	26%	44% 70%	19%	11%	0%
7	Staff let me know how well my child is doing and if they have concerns	27%	49% 76%	7%	15%	1% 16%
8	Any concerns I have are dealt with quickly and effectively	28%	46% 74%	15%	8%	2% 10%
9	My child enjoys learning a full range of subjects	37%	52% 89%	5%	4%	0%
10	School supports my child's wider personal development	17%	55% 72%	11%	12%	5% 17%
11	School keeps me up to date with what children are doing in school	35%	55% 90%	1%	8%	0%
12	I would recommend this school to other parents	YES 82%				

Next steps

1. Share survey outcomes with stakeholders (parents/ carers, governors, staff etc.).

2. Analyse pupil survey to gauge their views on what we do well and what we can improve.

3. Staff meeting to celebrate what we do well and plan how to action areas we can improve. We will keep you updated.

Our annual satisfaction survey is a great way to gauge your views of the school, however please don't feel that you have to wait until next year to tell us what you think, we're always eager to hear to your feedback.

Best wishes

Team BPJS.