

# At Parents' Eve in October 2024 we asked you about your views of the school.

We appreciate your feedback, and present here a summary of the views.

Thank you for your help in making Colney Heath School a special place !

	Survey Oct 22	Commentary Oct 22	Oct 23	Commentary Oct 23	Oct 24	Commentary Oct 24
Number of responses	63		31 ( 30 complete) – 1 person = 3 %		42 1 person = 2 %	
My child is happy at this school	Strongly agree/agree	97 % - majority of parents think that ...	Strongly agree/agree	100%	Strongly agree/agree	97%
My child feels safe at this school	Strongly agree/agree	100% - all parents surveyed felt that....	Strongly agree/agree	100%	Strongly agree/agree	97%
The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved	Strongly agree/agree	95% - majority of parents think that ...	Strongly agree/agree Disagree	97 % - ‘You do try’ 3%	Strongly agree/agree	95%
My child has been bullied and the school dealt with it quickly and effectively	74% chose don’t know/not applicable/left blank 23% who said yes then felt strongly agree or agree	Bullying is rare and when reported it is dealt with ?	71% chose don’t know/my child has not been bullied  30 % who said yes; of these 66 % agreed it had been dealt with 3% strongly disagree 6% disagree	3 people raised bullying concern and felt this was not dealt with satisfactorily. Follow-up procedures have not identified this; question regarding raising concerns gives contradictory result	70% chose my child has not been bullied or don’t know.  23% said yes, and strongly agreed/agree it had been dealt with. 4 % either disagreed or strongly disagreed.	Of the two people who disagreed with the effectiveness of the way bullying was handled, they both said that problems had been dealt with effectively.
The school makes me aware of what my child will learn and has a good range of subjects	Strongly agree/agree – 95% Strongly agree/agree – 95%	95% - majority of parents feel well informed about the curriculum.	100% strongly agree/agree	Strongly agree – split into termly knowledge	Strongly agree/agree	96%
My child does well at this school and they have high expectations	Strongly agree/ agree – 95%	Majority of parents feel the school has high expectation and their child does well	87% strongly agree/agree 3 % strongly disagree 6% don’t know		77% strongly agree or agree	6 people felt that although their child was doing well, the

					13% disagreed or strongly disagreed	school does not have high expectations
My child has SEND and the school gives them the support they need	Child has SEND – 13%		Child has SEND 13 %	50 % of these agree that the child receives support they need	Child has SEND 7 %	All 7% agreed that child receives the support they need

# Summary

# October 2024 : Any other comments:

- My child X is happy at the school and seems to play with everyone. The teachers have really worked on poor behaviour in the last year
- "Colney Heath School is close to where we live, but not just that , but also friends of mine recommended this school for my son and I can see that is all true what they said. We are very happy that our son has the opportunity to join this school. "
- The school is great, My girls both love going to school here and all the help that the school gives my girls is great.
- Parents evening with my child's teacher was incredible - she knows my child inside out and has supported them extremely well. She is enthusiastic and inspiring. I wish she had taught me!
- The school teachers are friendly and always communicate to parents regarding their child
- My son has developed brilliantly since joining Colney Heath. His reading and writing has come on so well in the last couple of years and I am super proud of him and the school. My son has strong friendship groups and I have never had any concerns about behaviours, bullying or other issues. The head is always looking to communicate effectively with parents and I am more than satisfied with the environment my son is taught in. Colney Heath is an excellent school with fantastic staff. "
- My daughter loves her school and her teacher. Colney Heath has had a positive effect on both her learning and her personal development. The staff are hard working and should be congratulated for their efforts. The head is a strong leader and has high expectations for my child. I would recommend the school to anybody, without hesitation. "
- Both of my children enjoy coming to school and feel engaged with what they are taught. I am happy with the assemblies that the school puts on and the after school clubs available.

# Items we are following up...

- Six parents expressed concern about whether the school had high expectations for their child.  
Senior leaders monitor the curriculum and teaching and learning through planning, lesson observations and book looks to ensure that standards are at least within the national expectations for the year group. We check children's books to see how individual adaptations have been made for children's needs and attainment. We have termly pupil progress meetings to ensure that each child makes progress.  
In November we had a learning review with Spiral MAT. The School Improvement Partner felt that she saw high expectations in all classes.  
If you have questions and would like to discuss your child's learning please contact the Head and I will be happy to look at this with you for your child to ensure we are setting high expectations for all our children, and helping them to achieve this.
- Ensuring that the website is updated and that notice is given for cancellations.  
The website has an annual check to ensure it has correct statutory information on it. Data and policies are also updated annually.  
The children's class pages should have newsletters on them that are updated approximately half termly – or termly depending on if they cover a whole term's learning.  
The calendar should have term dates on it for the year, and other dates e.g. assemblies and performances are updated termly.

We aim to communicate cancellations as quickly as we can by email or text. Inevitably, some of these may be at the last minute.

- Availability of after school clubs means that not all children can attend ones that interest them.  
In the last 2 years we have introduced new clubs for art, cookery, cheerleading, multi-sports, rock band and hockey. We have offered further clubs for dance but this had insufficient numbers to run. A new Chess Club is due to start soon. We aim to make clubs as accessible as possible, both financially and by trying to spread them across the week. Unfortunately, there may be clashes due to availability of the providers, room space or limitations on the age range of children that the club can cater for.
- Clarifying how we deal with concerns about bullying.  
Our survey shows that most parents feel where this happens it is dealt with, but we may need to clarify our policy. Our children have questions about how other children behave and how this is dealt with. We need to ensure that they understand terms like bullying but also how behaviour is managed by adults, based on needs and equity. If you would like to discuss this, and how you feel this works, please contact the Head. I would value hearing your thoughts and concerns.
- Opportunities to find out about how well your child is doing.  
In addition to Parents' Evenings in the Autumn and Spring Term, parents are invited to class after their child's termly class assembly. This is an excellent opportunity to catch up on your child's learning. The annual report in the summer term gives feedback against age related expectations.  
Parents are very welcome to contact the class teacher to have an update in addition to these events.

- Maintenance and cleanliness of the school.

We are trying to update some areas of the school e.g. our new toilets, better access via the path round the school and shortly, better lighting at night. Germs can spread quickly so we aim to keep facilities sanitary particularly where we know we have several children with the same ailment.

- Opportunities for recognition of personal achievements in assemblies.

Class assembly on a Friday will now have an opportunity for children to be presented with Times Tables Rock Stars achievements. We try to pass on sporting results when the children have competed in events for the school.