



Dear Families,

Thank you for responding to the Survey we issued in November this year. 46 completed surveys were returned. The results are enclosed. We appreciate and value all of your feedback. Thank you for your kind comments about the school.

**Based on the results of the Survey, we will:**

- Aim to maintain all of the many positives that have been commented upon in the Survey. It is clear that you value our friendly, welcoming and caring ethos, that you feel we keep children safe, and that you agree with the current school development priorities, such as OPAL play and Talk 4 Writing.
- Write to Nottinghamshire Council to share your concerns about the parking outside school once again. These concerns have emerged in previous Surveys too, and we have made contact in the past with the Council. However, it is clear that parking is still a concern.
- Re-look at our communication systems and contact Piota to pass on your concerns about the app.
- Increase the variety of enrichment activities which are on offer outside of the school day.
- Give more opportunities for parents to come into school to see their children's work, and to be involved in parent workshops so they can support their child further.

Many thanks,

Lindsey Jamson and the WFPS Team

**Results of the questionnaire**

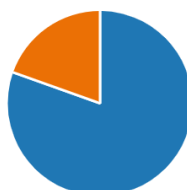
1. My child is happy at this school.

● Strongly agree	34
● Agree	12
● Disagree	0
● Strongly disagree	0
● Neutral	0



2. My child feels safe at this school.

● Strongly agree	37
● Agree	9
● Disagree	0
● Strongly disagree	0
● Neutral	0



3. My child is making good progress at Willow Farm Primary School

● Strongly agree	23
● Agree	21
● Disagree	0
● Strongly disagree	0
● Neutral	2



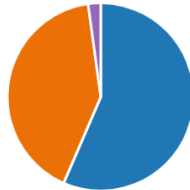
4. I find it easy to approach the school with questions or problems.

● Strongly agree	34
● Agree	8
● Disagree	2
● Strongly disagree	0
● Neutral	2



5. The school expects my child to work hard and achieve their best.

● Strongly agree	26
● Agree	19
● Disagree	0
● Strongly disagree	0
● Neutral	1



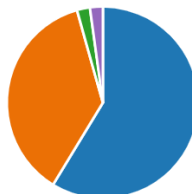
6. I am made to feel welcome when I visit Willow Farm Primary School.

● Strongly agree	35
● Agree	9
● Disagree	0
● Strongly disagree	0
● Neutral	2



7. Willow Farm Primary School keeps me well-informed (piota app, emails, website, newsletter, seesaw).

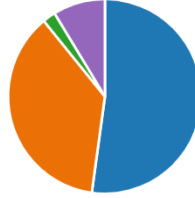
● Strongly agree	27
● Agree	17
● Disagree	1
● Strongly disagree	0
● Neutral	1





8. The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved.

Strongly agree	24
Agree	17
Disagree	1
Strongly disagree	0
Neutral	4



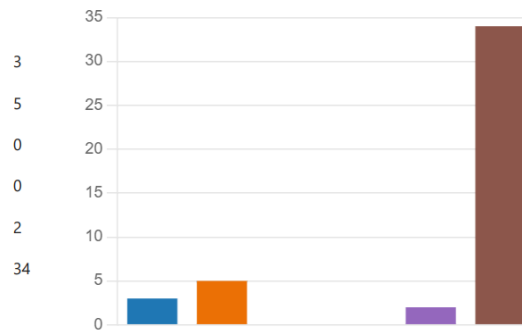
9. My child knows and understands the school values.

Strongly agree	30
Agree	14
Disagree	0
Strongly disagree	0
Neutral	2



10. My child has SEND, and the school gives them the support they need to succeed.

Strongly Agree	3
Agree	5
Disagree	0
Strongly disagree	0
Neutral	2
N/A	34





**In your opinion – what are the best things about Willow Farm Primary School?**

- It feels like we are all part of a community and my daughter looks forward to learning.
- The size ensures real care can be given. I love that all teachers know all the children. I love the options for extra activities and the investment in the space like the opal play is just amazing
- Fabulous support friendly staff
- The dedication, caring, approachable members of staff. My child and family feel valued, rather than just a "number". The great sense of community and hard work that goes into the care and education of our children.
- Friendly and inclusive. A lovely village feel to the school where everybody mixes well.
- Friendly caring supportive atmosphere. Everyone knows everyone - lovely community.
- The relatively small size of the school.
- I love how friendly everyone is
- Small school with family community
- Great teachers and reception staff are always so helpful.
- Small school so each child is known to all staff.
- Friendly, community feel, activities for the kids.
- Community and the teachers
- Sense of community. All the children are very kind and caring and I love that they seem to make friends across all years.
- Children seem happy
- The ethos of the school - valuing reading, outdoor environment, opportunities out of the classroom, visits etc, communication via see saw, opportunities for parents to come into school, wonderful staff who are always so passionate and the opal play is just amazing to be part of
- The staff are amazing, both teaching staff and in the office.
- The education, activities and events.
- All year groups seem to be mixed in some way or another during their day. \_\_\_\_ is always saying hello or being shouted by children from other year groups coming into and leaving school. I think this is lovely that they all get to mix and socialise with a variety of ages rather than being kept in their year groups or key stage
- Teachers are all friendly and approachable. I love how the head teacher greets everyone and knows all the childrens names
- One class per year
- Mrs Syalon's care and enthusiasm. 3 simple rules and values that are lived by the school. Strong leadership.
- The teachers, the community, friends of willow farm group and school values
- Parents are well listened to, the PRIDE values are an excellent way in which to ground the school, a child centred approach is taken, the quality ilof teaching has improved. I love that chikdtenate praised for empathy.



- Wonderful enthusiastic happy staff which passes to the kids. Love the fact all the different years play together too and look out for each other.
- The Community feel
- The school empowers my children and provides them with the confidence to be themselves and enjoy learning. The standard of education, the teaching style of the teachers and the leadership of the school are all exceptional
- Friendly teachers , great outdoor space
- Outdoor space. The quad. Very friendly eyfs teachers
- energetic attitude to learning and always reviewing new concepts such as opal / garden
- Good teachers
- Everything! It's a great school with a lovely balance of education and extra curriculum activities and real community spirit
- Family environment, supporting staff members
- My child loves going to school
- The school feels like a family- I like how my child's feels loved by her teacher. I think the children get loads of great opportunities and experiences too. I enjoy seeing the photos of what my child has been doing too. It's great the teacher takes time to share this information with parents so we know what is going on in school.
- It is friendly, safe and shares my values
- The community and the love of learning that you in-still in the pupils

### **Is there anything particular you'd change about the school?**

- No - other than the parking which is just awful
- The constant requests for money!! Especially if you have more than one child at the school. This is extremely difficult for some families even more so with the current living crisis
- It would be nice to have more regular one to ones with the teacher, but understand time is limited. Also, encouragement and monitoring of food and water consumption. My child often comes home with a full water bottle and/ or full packed lunch, so I do worry about how much is being consumed in the day and it makes it hard to judge for mealtimes. My child is often extremely hungry as soon as school is over.
- Quarterly report instead of annual ones. Currently, we just have a general appreciation from the teachers during parents/teachers 10 min meeting without much details.
- App doesn't always work. More parent / teacher interaction
- Change the app as it doesn't always give me notifications. I would prefer a letter with events on because I sometimes miss things in the app
- Having less part time teaching staff, which in the opinion of many parents causes disruption to children, and potentially damages their learning.
- Clearer comms for special events eg if they do or don't need to wear uniform, PE kits etc
- Different secondary meal option. Child has the same meal 3 times a week.
- More opportunities to see the children's work other than parents evening.



- Bike shed would be nice.
- Constructive and positive feed back during parents evening would be beneficial rather than a list of everything my son doesn't do or struggles with
- More visual based learning
- How the school day starts, eg one set start time
- piota isn't great if that could be reviewed. parking remains very difficult (appreciate not school related) would like to see a wider lunch menu.
- Parents evening to be Easter or summer so their class teacher can give more feedback on progress as they change teacher every year.
- I would like more emphasis on the children doing well and exceeding their expectations. I see a lot of help and time given to children who aren't up to the standards set out but when you're child is exceeding or over exceeding they are expected to help their peers where necessary which I believe is wrong. All students should have the same amount of time with teachers or TA's
- I would like there to be a greater choice after school clubs available.
- In the perfect world it would have a nursery

**In what ways would you like to see the school develop over the next three years?**

- Perhaps more after school clubs that aren't just sport focused - how can we encourage more drama, singing, creativity
- Have a secondary school attached so the children didn't have to leave
- More communication on how the kids that are behind / ahead will be supported / pushed to reach potential.
- Foreign language clubs
- More extra curricular activities/outside companies brought in.
- A pre school setting would be ideal.
- Less movement/replacement of class teachers during a school year which causes stress and disruption to children.
- Stay small and local to the community
- More outdoor activities. More school trips
- More interactive learning
- Continue to develop the writing program embedded this year.
- I don't feel I know enough about the school to comment.
- Continue from what I have seen so far
- Continued focus on kids that need intervention but also extra curricular opportunities for mid range children who would benefit from extra support like maths clubs or science clubs that parent could pay for attendance.
- Same direction
- Outdoor play
- They already seem to have big plans to develop outdoor space so not sure anything else too major is needed



- Looking to see how Opal project develops.
- A sensory room
- continue with the outside / physical play side to inspire proper play and how this can be used to cement learning also
- I would like to see more exposure to other cultures, bringing students community into the classroom and take your classroom out to the community. The mass percentage of population are white students so it would be nice to focus on other religions more and promoting more inclusiveness.
- Just continue to do what you are doing.

**Have you any further comments about the school or anything you would like to add?**

- More notice for events, when money or items are requested
- It would be really beneficial to have some parental classes on how we can best mimic teaching at home for example in phonics, reading, writing. Allot of us parents are out of touch or need abit of teaching ourselves so we can best support our children's continued learning at home.
- We love Willow Farm, it's really great and I'm so glad my child is there.
- We would like more communication between parents-teachers about the children's progress throughout the year.
- I love how everyone has been so supportive with my daughter just starting school and sometimes getting very upset going in, but with everyones helps she is soon settling in. Thank you
- Feel the jewellery policy is strict. Stud earrings should be allowed if the responsibility lies with the parent.
- Overall the school appears to be doing much better under new management/head, which has been a positive for children and parents. The school has always struggled to hold onto very good teaching staff for whatever reason, which is a huge shame.
- Very happy with the school
- Thanks for all you do. We are so happy with the school and feel it has really improved since Mrs Jamson arrived in so many positive ways.
- No just thank you
- Love it always tell everyone how fab it is
- Dismissal in some classes to keep the children safe. Ensure a member of staff is out every Morning and evening to seal to if needed
- I'd like to extend my thanks to the school for the energy and commitment given to making the school the best it can be. For providing the children with a safe and encouraging environment to grow in and be the best they can be.
- Thank you to all the staff for making it a wonderful place for my children to begin their education. We couldn't have asked for a better school.
- Yes, feels like your always asking for money £1 children in need, £1 santa run, £4 movie night, spent over £40 on cards mugs tea towels, cost of residential trip in year 6 plus sailing am not looking forward to receiving that bill.



**Willow Farm  
Primary School**

December 2022

- Thank you to all the staff for the hard work put in! Feel really happy with Willow Farm.
- Sometimes the first aid wrist bands don't give much detail