



## Results of the 2024 Parent Questionnaire

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Every year, we ask parents and carers to complete a questionnaire to help us understand what they think about our school and to provide an opportunity for comments and suggestions.

For the 2023/24 school year, we received 40 responses, a reduction from 68 last year. This year, we plan to send out the survey earlier in the summer term and ask that everyone take this opportunity to share their views with us.

### **From your feedback, you highly value many aspects of Chadlington School:**

100% Agree that the school's attitudes and values have a positive effect on my child

98% Agree that my child enjoys being involved in enrichment activities such as trips, projects and clubs (2% neither agree nor disagree)

98% Agree that my child enjoys a varied and interesting curriculum (2% neither agree nor disagree)

98% Agree that they are proud to send their child to Chadlington School (2% neither agree nor disagree)

95 % Agree that everyone is made to feel welcome at this school (5% neither agree nor disagree)

95% Agree that they are pleased with their child's progress (5% neither agree nor disagree)

We also asked you for comments and suggestions, which were very informative. Although the governing board has already discussed many of these topics, they will be revisited this term.

### **Aspects of school life that you particularly like are:**

- Teachers and teaching assistants are hardworking, kind and supportive
- Exciting range of trips and activities
- Friendly and welcoming school
- Pupils are happy and thriving
- Wide ranging curriculum

## **Areas you would like us to improve are:**

### **1. Parking in front of the school gates**

**Response:** We know the danger and inconvenience caused by people ignoring the 'ZigZag lines' and 'No Waiting' road markings when dropping off and collecting pupils. This is a continuing safety concern frequently discussed by staff and governors. Over the years, we have tried several initiatives, including notices and staff attempting to persuade people to move their vehicles. This term, we approached the Oxfordshire County Council highway department with a request for cones and any other advice, and unfortunately, they have said there is nothing they can do as the issue is one of enforcement. Therefore, ultimately, it is down to parents to act responsibly. Parking restrictions outside schools are there to keep you and your children safe, and parking inconsiderately can put people in danger.

### **2. More PE**

**Response:** The school delivers the full PE curriculum, as well as taking part in numerous tournaments throughout the school year, run by the Chipping Norton Schools' Partnership. Last year we took part in 10 partnership events, including ball skills, netball, cricket, football, hockey, multi-skills, street dance and more! A Chance to Shine cricket provided additional workshops for each class. The Friends of Chadlington School (FOCS) generously provided funding for additional KS2 tennis workshops, which have taken place on a weekly basis throughout this term and Excel Tennis will be returning in the summer to work with children in The Shire. KS2 pupils take part in a full swimming programme at Kingham Hill School, throughout the year. We are also providing our Spade to Spoon programme to teach children about healthy lifestyles. Unfortunately, there is no more room in the curriculum for further PE activities. We will try to let you know more about our PE and Sports activities through our newsletter and Instagram.

### **3. Improved administration of lunch invoices**

**Response:** We aim to address this by introducing Parent Pay, an online booking and payment system. The school is currently engaged in a website redesign project, and this should provide a link to the new system. We will let you know more about this when the website has been launched, which hopefully will be in the first half of the spring term.

### **4. Greater variety of after school clubs**

**Response:** We have listened to what you are telling us and will be changing activities on a half termly basis from January onwards. This term our clubs include computing, drama, art & craft, gymnastics, eco-club and general club.

### **5. More timely notification of trips and events**

**Response:** Booking processes can take considerable time as arrangements can be complex and staff are pupil-facing, but we hope you agree that our trips are worthwhile. They are

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certainly greatly valued by the children taking part. We hope that our frequent newsletters have provided more advance notice about trips and events. Most trips are heavily subsidised by the school and FOCS, as part of our commitment to experiential learning and enrichment.

#### **6. Healthier lunches**

**Response:** School parliament and the Eco-Committee are currently planning actions to take on encouraging healthy eating and reducing waste. We will let you know more about this in due course.

**Thank you for taking the time to provide your responses and comments. We really value your feedback, which will form the basis of a review by the Governing Board.**

*Mrs Hornibrook and the Governing Board*