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Dear Parents/ Carers,

In November, you were invited to complete a questionnaire about your opinions of our school. Thank you to everyone who filled in one of the 165 completed forms – we are really encouraged by your very positive responses to the school's work and we'd like to share a summary of the questionnaires with you. We will also try to answer or explain what we intend to do about the aspects that you consider we could improve on. Here are your responses:

		Agree		Disagree		Don't know	
		Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
1	My child is happy at this school.	163	98.8%	1	0.6%	1	0.6%
2	My child feels safe at this school.	164	99.4%	1	0.6%	0	-
3	This school meets my child's particular needs.	162	98.2%	1	0.6%	2	1.2%
4	My child makes good progress from their starting point.	161	97.6%	2	1.2%	2	1.2%
5	I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress.	162	98.2%	2	1.2%	1	0.6%
6	This school helps my child to develop skills in communication, reading, writing and maths.	165	100%	0	-	0	-
7	My child is taught well at this school.	165	100%	0	-	0	-
8	My child receives appropriate homework for their age.	158	95.8%	5	3%	2	1.2%
9	This school ensures the pupils are well behaved.	162	98.2%	2	1.2%	1	0.6%
10	This school deals with any cases of bullying effectively.	139	84.2%	3	1.8%	23*	14%
11	This school is well led and managed.	163	98.8%	0	-	2	1.2%
12	This school responds well to any concern that I raise. I feel supported by the school and I am comfortable about approaching the school with a question or concern.	164	99.4%	0	-	1	0.6%
13	I am made to feel welcome when I come in to school.	165	100%	0	-	0	-

		Yes		No	
		Number	%	Number	%
14	I would recommend this school to another parent/ carer.	165	100	0	-

- **100%** of parents/ carers **would recommend** Banks Road Primary School.
- 64 out of 165 parents/ carers (38.8%) **strongly agree** with **all** 14 of the above questions.
- 129 out of 165 parents/ carers (78.2%) **strongly agree** or **agree** with **all** 14 of the above questions.
- *23 of our parents/ carers ticked 'Don't know' because their child has not encountered any form of bullying.

Parent/ Carer Feedback and Comments

Below are some things that some parents/ carers said we do particularly well at Banks Road Primary School. We have categorised them in to different areas and added a number next to the comments if they were made more than once.

Leadership and Management / Ethos/ Environment	
'Excellent leadership in place'. Friendly/ welcoming/ safe/ caring/ positive teachers and staff. (24) 'The school is very supportive of my child's needs' 'Changes to the school – looks brighter and more welcoming.'	
Behaviour and Safety	
Friendly and welcoming environment. (6) 'Over the last 12 months, we can see that the school has become a lot more organised'	
Curriculum	
'It's great there have been more school trips this year.'	
Communication and Relationships with Parents/ Carers	
Informative website. (2) 'Friendly, approachable staff. Any problems are addressed well.' (2) Good relationship between teacher/ support member of staff and child. (5)	
Other Comments	
'My child enjoys coming to school.' 'My child is safe and secure and is receiving a good education.' 'It's a very open and welcoming school that tries its hardest for pupils and parents.' 'They listen to the children and take their views and ideas into consideration.' 'The school has progressed over the past couple of months from where it was a couple of years ago.' 'I think that the school is progressing well under its new leadership.' 'Turn around in staff – the school has come on leaps and bounds.' 'If you have a problem, you can always talk to teachers.' (4) 'The Head, Deputy and teaching staff are very pleasant and understanding.' 'This school makes a difference for children.' 'We look forward to the future for our children at Banks Road.'	

Suggested further improvements	
More school trips	We are continuing to increase the amount of school trips and educational visits that all children across the school have access to. We are working hard to develop our Banks Road curriculum so that teaching and learning is exciting, fun and purposeful. Much of our teaching and learning now involves all children learning through first hand experiences, including school trips, educational visits and visiting guest speakers.
'Bring back KS2 afternoon playtime.'	Although making the decision to not have an afternoon playtime for years 3-6 was a difficult one, the decision was made to make sure that we maximize the most amount of time possible for high quality teaching and learning. The impact of not having an afternoon play for Key Stage 2 means that the teachers are able to teach and the children are able to learn seamlessly throughout the afternoon without disruption.
More after-school clubs	We are working hard to increase the amount and variety of after-school clubs that are available. Keep an eye out in the spring and summer terms for new, exciting after-school clubs!
Updates on weekly spellings/ homework	Our teachers are committed to ensuring that we share as much information as possible with you regarding your child's learning strengths and areas for improvement. Please therefore continue to talk to your child's teacher at the start or end of the school day to ask any questions you may have. If you are a working parent/ carer, or are unable to link with your child's teacher at the

	<p>start/ end of the school day, we will always endeavour to meet with you at a more mutually convenient time.</p> <p>Please have a look at our school website for further information and resources on how you can support your child at home.</p> <p>Also keep an eye out for an upcoming homework after school club.</p>
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Whole School Priorities 2017-18

Below are the five main areas for improvement that we are working hard to achieve by the end of the academic year:

- To further develop leadership and management to create a culture that enables staff and pupils to excel.
- To measure pupil attainment and progress effectively through a rigorous approach to assessment and use the data to ensure it improves pupil outcomes.
- To improve attendance and punctuality.
- To further develop provision and learning experiences for pupils in EYFS.
- To improve pupil outcomes and progress in Reading, Writing and Mathematics across all key stages.

We hope that you have found all of this information useful and interesting. As a school, we are very proud of all our children and their achievements. We will continue to communicate and share key information with you and we will do our best to keep on improving.

Thank you very much for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs L Gibson
Headteacher

Mr J Wilson
Deputy Headteacher