

The results of the survey are from the 39 responses received of our 126 families. (31%)

My child is happy at this school

● Strongly Agree	33
● Agree	3
● Strongly Disagree	2
● Disagree	0
● Don't know	1



My child feels safe at this school.

● Strongly agree	32
● Agree	3
● disagree	0
● Strongly disagree	2
● Don't know	2



The school is welcoming and a pleasant place to visit.

● Strongly Agree	36
● Agree	2
● Strongly Disagree	0
● Disagree	1
● Don't know	0



My child does well at this school.

● Strongly agree	30
● Agree	7
● disagree	0
● Strongly disagree	2
● Don't know	0



The school has high expectations for my child - this means that the school believes that my child can do well.

Strongly agree	32
Agree	3
disagree	0
Strongly disagree	2
Don't know	2



The school is effective at dealing with any behaviour issues that arise.

Strongly agree	29
Agree	6
disagree	0
Strongly disagree	2
Don't know	2



**As far as I'm aware, this school deals effectively with any bullying.
(Please leave blank or choose 'don't know', if you have no experience or knowledge of this)**

Strongly agree	10
Agree	1
disagree	1
Strongly disagree	0
Don't know	23



My child is well looked after at this school.

Strongly Agree	33
Agree	3
Strongly Disagree	2
Disagree	0
Don't know	1



Generally the school is good at keeping parents up to date (texts, letters, newsletters, social media).

Strongly Agree	33
Agree	4
Disagree	1
Strongly disagree	1
Don't know	0



The school makes me aware of what my child is learning.

Strongly Agree	30
Agree	5
Disagree	2
Strongly disagree	1
Don't know	1



The school lets me know how my child is getting on and how well they are progressing.

Strongly Agree	28
Agree	7
Strongly Disagree	0
Disagree	3
Don't know	1



I am happy with the progress my child is making.

Strongly Agree	29
Agree	6
Strongly Disagree	2
Disagree	1
Don't know	1



There are a good range of learning experiences available to my child at this school.

Strongly Agree	30
Agree	6
Strongly Disagree	1
Disagree	2
Don't know	0



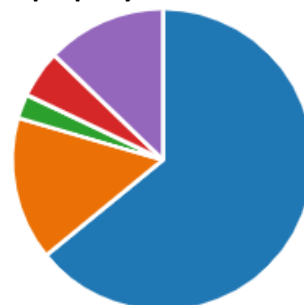
The school helps me to support my child's learning and development at home.

Strongly Agree	28
Agree	7
Strongly Disagree	1
Disagree	2
Don't know	1



When I raise concerns with the school they have been dealt with properly.

Strongly Agree	25
Agree	6
Strongly Disagree	1
Disagree	2
Don't know	5



The school provides lots of opportunities for parents to be involved in school.

Strongly Agree	28
Agree	8
Strongly Disagree	0
Disagree	2
Don't know	1



The school is led and managed effectively by the Headteacher and Senior Leadership Team.

Strongly Agree	31
Agree	6
Strongly Disagree	1
Disagree	1
Don't know	0



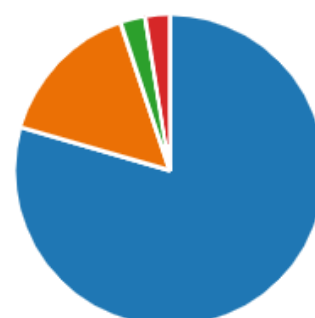
I would recommend this school to another parent.

Strongly Agree	33
Agree	4
Strongly Disagree	2
Disagree	0
Don't know	0



Overall, I am happy with my child's experience at school.

Strongly Agree	31
Agree	6
Strongly Disagree	1
Disagree	1
Don't know	0



We held phonics workshops this year to introduce parents to Monster Phonics. If you attended one of the sessions, please can you give us some feedback.

- Very good and I like how it helps all set of children's
- Very good
- Really informative and helpful
- It was amazing to see and learn about Monster Phonics.
- We really liked this workshop
- Useful to attend to gain an understanding as to what phonics is ! Well presented and clear to understand.
- I enjoyed it very well they make it easy for the children to understand.
- Really informative and felt that any/every query was well answered.
- Very informative and nice to be able to see how my daughter is being taught
- The workshop was very useful & informative
- The phonics workshop was really interesting, I enjoyed hearing about the concepts being used and now when our daughter mentions them we have an understanding of what she means.
- It was lovely to see the passion and love the staff had for this product and laminated the hand outs to use at home
- I think Monster phonics seems great and very relevant for Fairfields but I do think the whole reading program should of been learnt first before it was introduced to pupils. I also think it should of only been started at reception and moved through the school and the current reading curriculum phased out.
- Best phonics I loved it

We would like to host more workshops for parents in the future. What other topics would you find useful to have a workshop on as a parent? Please list you thoughts below.

- Anything that is useful
- Communication through a switch to help me son even more at home.
- Maths, sensory needs,
- Communication
- BSL basics for parents. PSHE for disabled children for parents in need of help and understanding of basic care needs for SEN children. Access to other council or government services for parents of SEN children and how to apply for such help, ie benefits, blue badge, DLA and other help for parents. Maybe have interpreters available for those who do not know English.
- I am open to learn anything
- Would be good if you can make more similar workshops as you did with Monster Phonics
- More phonics workshops with the aim for parents to do some at home.
- I thought the school is amazing and provide everything needed.
- Maths/behaviour/communication/managing different needs within the family
- Communicating effectively and promptly health concerns with parents
- Managing behaviour. Meltdowns, impulsive behaviour, puberty
- Signing
- Life skills, intense interaction
- Supporting numeracy at home, we follow the newsletter but for my husband it might be good to see Dave to face support on how it is done.
- Sensory play/learning, mental self care
- Behaviour techniques
- Yes please host more
- Sensory learning

What suggestions do you have that would help us improve Fairfields further?

- If swimming could start
- None
- I miss the end of year fete :(
- "More information on the learning pathways/where our child sits learning wise. More information on post fairfields options/routes based on child's needs etc.
- After school groups/holiday club/care. This would be so amazing for families.
- All pupils to have access to all facilities, not just the ones with physical needs (swimming pool etc) this is a big one as I understand priorities however all children should be able to access what the school has to offer.
- Training for other schools as it's upsetting to see how brilliant fairfields is and how many other schools are so negative in their approach to SEND.
- Extend to 18 please!!! "
- To follow through and support parents with options and ideas regarding their own child's education.
- Push for more government funding, allow access to more outdoor areas and clubs, maybe after school provision, wrap around care. (Breakfast club?) Get council to eliminate concrete rac or asbestos concerns. Get more sensory room integration and equipment use more frequently. Allow more parents to stay and play, (coffee/parents events) allowing for more go fund me online projects to gain more capital to fix fencing (higher fences in outdoor spaces to prevent escapism) improve ceilings and hygiene room spaces. Please level the Willow garden paths to allow better access for those in chairs have a smooth ride. There is a need to have swimming and a sensory room to be accessible. It's been too long.
- None for now
- "Feedback about their daily routines, like how much they ate, how many bowel movements etc could be better. This information is sometimes given but could be better when it's something we particularly need to monitor at home and school.
- Continue to do more and improve in your processes.
- "Engage parents in every activities, we love it.
- Invite parents at least once every month."
- Better care for kids, allowing verifiable private professionals to attend to kids especially where you are not able to offer such therapies adequately
- "More transparency re swimming pool.
- Some teachers are more helpful than others, so an equal standard of support."
- Car parking for parents
- Day trips and experiences outside of school for the children. As the pool does not look like other children, unless for therapy can use it, then external provisions should be explored so the children do not miss out. This is a staple in a primary school for all children to get the chance to go swimming. It is appreciate the pool is mainly for therapy, but this should not stop the school organizing swimming trips to other locations. Like other send schools in the area that do this. It is appreciated that taking our children anywhere can be a logistically hard, however they should experience extra curriculum outside for the class room if it cannot be provided in school.
- Due to daughter getting transport and my work commitments it is not easy to come in and see parents/staff easily. We hear many names at home and met a few at the disco, is there any plans for any more of these types of gatherings. I appreciate that it involves extra commitment from staff but I personally found it helpful to put names to faces.
- After school club
- Nothing
- Better understanding of how the EHCP process works and what is available to children. Also what is available to support individual needs.
- Keep involving more parents in school.

In what way would you like to see the school develop over the next 3 years?

- Just the swimming really
- Hopefully for my son to enjoy the sensory room and the hydro pool
- Nothing
- "After school clubs/holiday clubs/care.
- All pupils to have access to facilities not just those with highest needs (swimming pool etc)
- More parent workshops and more training for other schools as the gap between SEND provision across the county is huge.
- Extend to 18!!!!!"
- "Have a fully functional pool.
- Have more outside therapies such as music, visiting therapy dogs coming into school.
- Staff following up and staying on top of support for parents "
- RAC removed, swimming pool open, sensory room created, higher fencing for safety, more Astro turf (softer than concrete) increase student parent relations at school via meetings and events ie bbq, disco, more PTA sessions etc.
- Continue a good relationship with parents
- Staff shortages improved. Having the staffing levels at full capacity means people can work to the best of their ability.
- More stuff.
- Improve staff proficiency, commit to looking after the kids jointly with professionals and parents
- "Extend into secondary
- After school clubs and holiday clubs/activities"
- "Regular fund raising/PTA events so the children can see the benefits of the money raised
- More school discos for the children as they all absolutely loved it
- More extra curriculum activities
- There are no clubs/fun things to do other than class room environments. Possibly consider external agencies coming in to do workshops such as music, dance, games, therapy animals etc
- Not the school but the traffic outside. This is the only issue that I've experienced
- To fix the swimming pool area and start regular swimming sessions again
- "More staff
- Lots of activities Involving parents
- More trips and the swimming pool up and running!

Have you any further comments about the school...anything else that you'd like to add?

- Brilliant school
- Amazing school and thank you for helping my son thrive 😊
- We will be very sad to leave this year. The last 7 years have given our son the best outcome we could have ever wished for. Thank you all
- So happy to have found such an open and honest school who see the education of the children they have as a team effort and that we are all equally important in their journey. I love the fact that I feel my child is valued and celebrated at school.
- Again lovely warm staff, but not so good at delivering/following up on things
- Everyone at Fairfields is doing a fantastic job. The children are the priority and are happy- which speaks volumes!
- The school in general are amazing and I feel very lucky that my child is surrounded by love, care and passion every day.
- Thank you for all the support and care you have delivered to me and my child
- Just that it's amazing and everyone should be very proud of the work, effort and love they have
- Best school Ever!

In your opinion, what is the best thing about Fairfields School?

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How happy the children are. How welcoming the school is to parents

Learning opportunities

Everything. We absolutely love it!!

All the staff are very respectful, Wonderful teachers and Teaching Assistant, Amazing Headteacher, Very discipline students, respectful, safe Environments, equal opportunities for all the students regardless of Colour, Religion and Disability. Above all best school my Daughter Ever attended.

That it is an environment my daughter is eager to attend on a daily basis full of excitement and joy. She is progressing well and we witness this in her development at home.

The teachers, the headteacher. They give my son amazing care and really get to know the child as well as the parents.

Fairfield is the best Special school, I wish they have got Secondary school too. They gave me confidence as a parent and I felt my daughter was looked after and cared for very well. My daughter is almost finishing and I hope to meet teachers like Fairfield in her new Secondary School. Fairfield Staff are very respectful, kindest, and most importantly caring, regardless of the differences they will accept your child for who they are and believe in them. Words cannot describe Fairfield school. Best school ever and we will miss all the staff and school.


They have more time for kids on a one to one learning basis and less crowded.

Great communication and feedback from staff about my daughter and how she is learning, and how she is doing

Friendly, welcoming & approachable staff. As a parent it's very inclusive and offers plenty of opportunities to be involved with your child's progress and learning. Best thing is the children have fun and are happy to be there.

Everything! The staff, the hard work everyone puts in and vibe and encouragement we get from school it helps parents with all the positive things and it encourages us as well.

The Staff:

- The staff and how welcoming and happy they are.
- The love and passion every member of staff has for the children
- The staff and the care they support for your child.
- The staff! They genuinely care for the children and us as parents.
- The staff 
- The staff are very caring & approachable
- Great and friendly staff
- The caring and supportive nature of everyone who works there
- The friendly caring staff and the environment
- Staff and schools layout
- Staff are lovely and caring
- The bond my son has with his teacher and the helpers.
- Fairfields is the most amazing school the staff are lovely and my child is always happy
- The opportunity for my child to thrive. Every single member of staff is dedicated to the children and it shows

Making my child feel safe and happy

Very accommodating and good in what they do

The family atmosphere and the caring and open relationships between the staff and families. The fact that staff are genuinely excited to see the children in the mornings and what they'll achieve that day.

Community spirit, all inclusiveness, friendly and talented staff members caring for all. The range of amenities available especially outdoor learning areas, forest school, soft play, PE. Horse riding is a bonus, ability to speak to teachers and support staff at all times is a bonus.

The best thing about Fairfields is seeing how happy my child is everyday coming and going to school, he looks forward to seeing his friends and teachers and looks forward to his day ahead