



Oaklands Parental Survey Summary

Context

During the January 2021 lockdown, Oaklands School was closed to the majority of pupils whilst providing care for children of keyworker families and children deemed as 'vulnerable'. Attendance is approximately 20% in school with up to 97% of children engaging regularly with our home learning provision.

At the end of Week 4, a parental survey was sent out to gather the views of our parent community with a particular focus on home learning provision, school communication and COVID safety measures.

Home Learning

The overall support from families regarding our home learning offer has been really positive. Here is a selection of some of the comments received:

- I am really pleased with my child's progress during this lockdown
- We are finding Google classroom really helpful and knowing the teacher is available on email is great
- We feel that what you're doing is excellent, this home learning is working so much better than then when it was left online, our son is finding it a lot better it keeps him focused and because he knows there are 3 zoom calls it keeps him on a good routine, gives him something to look forward to
- I personally am really happy with the home schooling and believe your staff are doing a fantastic job.
- I think what you are doing is amazing and what you are doing is great. I don't think there is anything more you could improve the home learning offer.

Question Analysis

Statement: Zoom meetings have supported my child well

Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
58	34	10	0

The response from families is overwhelmingly positive with 90% of families stating the current live teaching supports their child. In the 10 families who disagreed with the statement, all have said that this was due to family circumstances or child choice as opposed to an issue around quality of provision.

Actions taken: All families who are not regularly engaging in home learning receive weekly welfare calls to offer support in the form of electronic device loans, internet support, advice regarding behaviour and engagement in learning and more detailed family support. More families were identified for distribution of Chromebooks.

Statement: My child enjoys the online interaction with their teacher and class

Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
47	41	11	3

Again, a really positive response with 86% of our families stating the daily, live lessons were supporting their child's enjoyment. Where this was not the case, the majority were again due to individual children's or family's needs. Some parents responded that their child would benefit from smaller Zoom meetings.

Actions taken: Small group reading sessions now in place to allow children to mix in smaller groups to increase participation and offer other opportunities for children to talk with friends. Live activities such as Show and Tell set up in Key Stage 1 to offer further support for children's social engagement.

Statement: The interaction within the lessons and activities have helped support my child's mental health

Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
44	44	11	2

A positive agreement of 87% families demonstrates that support levels are being well received in our school community. With children's mental health being such an important issue, especially during this pandemic, regular live teaching sessions have supported our children. Parents report child choice and family situations as being the main factor in disagreement and 2 families stated that the Zooms were too full of other children for their child to feel confident.

Actions taken: Please see actions above

Statement: The remote teaching and home learning tasks are helping my child to learn

Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
55	43	3	0

Families have been really supportive of our home learning package with over 97% of responses being positive. Where this is not the case, again family situations seemed to be the determining factor. One family suggested work be loaded on to Google Classroom the night before the school day to help with preparation.

Actions taken: All work to be loaded on to online platforms the night before the school day.

When asked how the school could better support home learning, the results were again positive:

- It's so lovely to see the teachers working so hard to keep our children's education going as best they can. Look forward to seeing them every morning
- Thank you all for all your hard work and for everything you do for our children.
- I have thought that this time around has worked much better. My children are more engaged and inspired to complete all the activities in the timeframe laid out. I appreciate the break times to enable me to work and I don't feel guilty as I know the children have already done what they are required to do. A big Thankyou from us.
- My daughter enjoys the lessons seeing her teacher and the catch up at the end of the day is her favourite
- I have found it brilliant. Thank you. Just the right amount of work. I adjust some tasks for my child by making them more challenging or asking him to write more and judge this for each

task. The zoom meetings are great and keeps the children connected with each other and the teachers. Thank you for making this as painless as possible.

Home Learning Summary

- **Parents are overwhelmingly supportive of the home learning package. Where this is not the case, this is due to family factors and child choice as opposed to the provision.**
- **Continue support for families who are finding it challenging to engage**
- **Families see the benefit of regular Zoom teaching**
- **Small group zooms to be used to boost social interaction for children**

Communication

Statement: I get the information from school in a timely manner

Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
70	30	2	0

98% of families were in agreement of the statement with 2 families stating particular family circumstances as the determining factor as to their answer.

Actions taken: Individual matters addressed

Statement: I find the content of the school's communication is relevant and useful

Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
65	38	0	0

All parents felt this to be indicative of the communication at Oaklands.

Communication Summary

- **Communication is strong across the school**
- **No further action needed**

COVID Safety

Statement: I am confident that the school has put all reasonable and possible measures in place to minimise the risk of COVID-19

Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
67	34	1	0

Parents are really supportive of the COVID safety measures the school has in place. This confidence was echoed by the HSE. The only family who had opted for 'disagree' stated this was around the impossibility to be safe during the pandemic and was not school specific.

COVID Safety

- **The school are ensuring safety of all members of the community and confidence levels are high**

- **Continue to monitor and update the school risk assessment in line with changing government guidelines.**