

Survey:	West Kirby Primary School
	Parent/Carer Perception of School - July 2016
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In which Year is your child: Reception

Please add any comments you wish in the space provided. Please don't mention any staff by name.

My daughter has really enjoyed her first full year at school. She has progressed really quickly and had a great deal of support from teachers to enable her to do this. I have been very impressed with the staff in reception.

I feel that the school has a very welcoming and supportive ethos. As parents we are kept well informed about school news through the regular newsletter which I value and find very transparent and open. My children are making very good progress in school which I am informed about formally through parents evening and reports. Both of my children enjoy school, feeling safe and valued. Many thanks to all the hard working staff at West Kirby Primary School.

At times we have been unsure about the behaviour management system (traffic light chart) - it seems to work well for children who are generally well-behaved, but it is very easy for a more impulsive child to slip into the red, even if the majority of their day has been excellent. Positive praise - gold star, badge, stickers etc. Much more effective with younger children especially.

Could really do with a sports field and more learning based activities outside. School newsletter is helpful and really good. Would like to keep this in paper format rather than just email. There is a lack of feedback from staff generally which is important at this age (eating, library club, had to ask for catch up when he first started among other things).

Overall really good school caring and supportive. My child really enjoys school! Thank you to all the teachers and support.

The school has a lovely friendly and relaxed feel to it and the staff are always very welcoming and extremely approachable.

In which Year is your child: Year 1

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I am pleased with many aspects of the school apart some homework activities. Most homework tasks require students to access the internet to do research. This is beyond the capabilities of a 6 year old. Therefore this ends up being homework for me to do and I just tell him (or write for him to copy) what to write. This is a waste of time, but I feel I am letting him down when we don't do it because I don't want him to go into school empty handed, but he gains nothing from it.

I have been very impressed by the professionalism and warmth shown by all members of staff. The school is well managed, effective and fun for the children. Each teacher & TA are able to talk in detail about any area of my children's educational goals, current progress and the next steps. Our girls are happy, confident and learning very well at West Kirby Primary.

In which Year is your child: Year 2

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I am really pleased with W. K. Primary. My son is thriving there. Thank you.

The school is very good. We are pleased with the school. It would be good if the children could do more sports, especially outside. Maybe we could arrange to use the playing fields on Anglesey Road more often.

Can't fault our school, huge thanks to all our teachers and staff.

In which Year is your child: Year 3

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One of the reasons I chose this school for my child was because they didn't use the traffic light system to manage inappropriate behaviour so was very disappointed when it was introduced. I strongly disagree with the public punishment of children which is quite often based on the say so of another child who are not always truthful. I understand that bad behaviour should have consequences, however I believe that this system causes anxiety and humiliation which has a significant effect on confidence especially to those children who are not "naughty" but socially awkward or simply misunderstood.

Homework is sometimes too much; young children learn better through play.

Would have liked to have been asked how we felt about the change in uniform. I strongly disagree to the change as three generations of family have attended the school wearing the grey uniform. Maybe putting the uniform change to a vote would have been better. I also feel my child doesn't eat enough at lunch time.

We have been very pleased with the teaching in Class 3 this year. My boy has been sufficiently challenged and made excellent progress. The school provides a happy and safe environment for my child and I rarely hear of any incidents in the playground, they all seem to get along no matter what age or class they are in.

Would have liked to be consulted about uniform change.

In which Year is your child: Year 4

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Regarding Q12 my child suffered a period of mild verbal bullying. However, this was dealt with effectively by the school.

I would like more structure in general learning I. E. Times tables test every week to ensure a good grounding of the basics. I would also like my child to have an official reading book scheme where he can learn more advanced vocab within a structured setting. Two weeks every Christmas spent rehearsing concert in church. This is at the expense of maths and literacy and is unacceptable. One afternoon is more than enough to rehearse for any concert.

Why are children with packed lunches unable to have a chocolate biscuit and yet school dinners provide chocolate cakes?.

In which Year is your child: Year 5

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Particularly impressed with the strength of year 5 teacher Mr Procter. An excellent new appointment.

My 'disagree' ratings on Q9 and Q32 come from the school's decision to think it is acceptable to put my child in a mixed (year 5 and year 6) class with 2 teachers who job share. This has hindered progress, reduced confidence (and especially bearing in mind the extra requirements in the new curriculum) and has definitely had a negative effect in this key year leading up to 11 plus. If you must have a mixed class then don't have two mixed class taught by job share teaching. This puts unnecessary stress on pupils and teachers.

In which Year is your child: Year 6

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My opinion of the school has deteriorated over the last year. Also, my child has not yet received his report, meaning I have had no information regarding his progress since last parents' evening.

In which Year is your child: Not Answered

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Some extra encouragement to have e. G. Veg/salad with their lunch would be good. Will eat what's on their plate but will not necessarily ask for it. Would be good to have homework marked/feedback on homework. Sometimes struggle to get it done and then told that teacher didn't have time to look at it. Other times get praise and gold star sticker which motivates to do more the next week.