

Parents and Carers Evaluation of the School: End of School Year 2020 / 2021

Thank you to all the parents and carers who took time to let us know their views.
The table below is a summary of responses and we have also listed all the written comments that were made.

		YES	MOSTLY	NO
1	My child enjoys being at Mersey Vale.	43	6	0
2	My child is making good progress because the teaching at Mersey Vale is good.	41	7	0
3	I feel that my child is safe and well cared for at Mersey Vale.	46	2	0
4	My child's behaviour at Mersey Vale is good.	43	5	0
5	I think the school is well led and managed.	42	6	0
6	The school takes account of my child's views.	39	8	0
7	I am happy with the way school consults with me, seeks my views and takes into account my suggestions and concerns.	39	6	2

In light of your child's experience at Mersey Vale so far what do we do best?

- Clear communication
- Positive reward systems
- Communication with parents (x5)
- Cater to specific needs of child
- Everything (x4)
- My kids are happy, they love the school
- Caring teaching
- Up to date information on Class Dojo
- Friendly, approachable staff
- Teaching & great learning
- Involve parents in teaching decisions
- Communication absolutely fantastic
- One to one support with the children
- Very friendly and approachable
- Well-structured curriculum
- Communication from teachers & teaching assistants is brilliant
- Very friendly atmosphere
- Keep children happy!
- Education he enjoys
- Listen to my suggestions in regards to how you can help my child
- Make adaptations to help my child
- Creating a friendly, fun environment for kids
- Parents participating/keep them on board
- You take parents' opinions into consideration
- The communication between staff and parents, teacher and student is really impressive
- Focus on studies are excellent
- Caring, helpful and safe environment for my child
- Constantly finding ways to help my child academically
- My child talks greatly about their teachers
- A varied curriculum that engages pupils
- Very good communication between teachers & parents
- Teach well
- The dinners are halal
- Making my child feel like part of a family
- Listen to parents
- My child always has a smile and loves her teachers
- My child has improved loads on her reading
- Lessons
- Things are explained very well
- Teachers are easy to talk to
- Outdoor time
- My child is happy to come to school
- Safe & healthy for child who needs extra care
- A good mix of core subjects, learn through play and outdoor activities

When thinking about your child's experience at Mersey Vale, is there anything that we could do better?

- Nothing (x3)
- More planned class trips – Covid permitting!
- Perhaps extra feedback for homework & homework books
- Any requirements to work towards for (Y1) Maths & English
- Homework for those without internet on paper form
- Summer Fair outside playground
- Improve to assist them to read
- More one to one teaching time
- Encouraged my child to play in groups
- Maybe more 1:1 reading at school
- After School Sports
- More Stem & extra curricular activities e.g. Science Fair
- Explore & learn from each others cultural diversity e.g. Culture Day
- Parent Pay App is not giving correct information. Simspay is a better App.
- Possible use another Communication App other than Dojo
- Better homework
- Homework correction
- Reading books record
- Since my child is very creative & imaginative by nature, we want more
- Encouragement & confidence building as my child is sensitive
- My child has had quite a few issues with comments about her not being a Muslim over the years. However, this was tackled well last year by the Head Teacher
- Give more homework
- A more varied lunchtime menu – we have had the same menu for some time
- Forest School sessions to involve more outdoor learning linked to curriculum topics being taught in class, not just allow the boys to play football.
- My child is in Group 2 for Forest School, if a 7 week term they have one session less than those children in Group 1. Therefore, the next half term should start with Group 2 having the first session.
- Help me to know what I need to focus on regarding my child's learning and if she needs extra help
- Clubs/activities
- My child says he is bullied a lot
- Writing is overlooked, the parents are not provided with actual progress and areas to improve. I as a parent feel I am not properly made aware of weaknesses and how to improve and help my child
- An email at the start of term to explain things like After School Club (when do we tell you what we need ahead of a new term)
- What they need for things like Forest School

We really do value your views, ideas and suggestions and will take account of them in our planning for next year. Please keep an eye on the 'What You Said and What We Did' notice board!

Our Autumn 1 newsletter has details of what we are going to do over the coming year to make Mersey Vale an even better school!