

Longshaw Community Junior School – Parental Questionnaire 2019 – 82 responses

<u>Well Being</u>	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
My child is happy at school.	51%	47%	1%	0%	1%
My child feels safe at school.	63%	37%	0%	0%	0%
My child knows what to do if he/she feels worried.	60%	37%	2%	0%	1%
Children's achievements are praised and their mistakes handled compassionately.	48%	48%	3%	0%	1%
My child feels cared for in school.	55%	44%	1%	0%	0%
<u>Learning and progress</u>	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year.	46%	52%	2%	0%	0%
There is a good range of subjects available to my child at school.	55%	44%	1%	0%	0%
My child is taught well at school.	59%	40%	1%	0%	0%
My child does well at school.	49%	51%	0%	0%	0%
The school has high expectations of academic achievement.	56%	43%	0%	0%	1%
The school helps me to support my child's learning.	50%	48%	2%	0%	0%
I understand the homework grid my child brings home.	48%	48%	2%	0%	2%
My child receives the correct amount of homework	42%	46%	9%	1%	2%
My child receives the correct type of homework.	41%	57%	1%	0%	1%

<u>Personal Development</u>	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
My child can take part in clubs and activities at the school.	48%	46%	1%	0%	5%
The school supports my child's wider development.	43%	53%	0%	0%	4%
<u>Communication</u>	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
The school lets me know how my child is doing.	49%	49%	1%	0%	1%
The school informs me of upcoming events and changes.	63%	35%	1%	0%	1%
I feel welcome to go into school, and feel that my comments are valued.	56%	40%	0%	0%	4%
The text service for parents works well.	68%	32%	0%	0%	0%
The school's website is useful.	40%	51%	0%	0%	9%
Parents' evenings are a valuable way of finding out about my child's progress and attitudes in school.	64%	32%	0%	0%	4%
<u>Behaviour/Attitude</u>	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
In general, children behave well in school.	41%	54%	1%	0%	4%
When I have raised concerns with the school, they have been dealt with properly.	48%	40%	0%	0%	12%
My child knows what to do if they are troubled by another child.	55%	40%	0%	1%	4%
Concerns about bullying are dealt with effectively.	40%	41%	0%	1%	18%
My child is encouraged to work hard, behave well and do his/her best.	68%	31%	1%	0%	0%

<u>The school in the community</u>	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
The school is well led and managed.	63%	37%	0%	0%	0%
The school is respected within the community.	60%	38%	0%	0%	2%
I would recommend the school to other parents.	61%	38%	0%	0%	1%
<u>Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities</u>	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
Only answer this question if your child has SEND. My child has SEND, and the school gives them the support they need to succeed.	53%	33%	7%	0%	7%

Parents Comments

Positive:

Best school in the Northwest.

My child is doing really well. Without the help and support of the teachers and support teachers I wouldn't know what to do. I am glad that my child gets the one-one help he needs. He is coming on really well and I am really proud so thank you very much for all your hard work.

I felt there was a safeguarding issue at the beginning of the year which was quickly dealt with.

The school has always had a good name and I am proud to send my daughter now.

Very good school.

The Headteacher, Deputy Headteacher and most of the staff are welcoming. The fact that the Headteacher and Deputy Headteacher interacts with children in the grounds and you see them at the gate means a lot to us parents. I feel my child is safe and the staff are well aware of what's happening. We are well informed of what is happening. Good school.

Good school. I attended this school. Good back then, still a good school now! Miss Hamilton is my favourite teacher.

I am confident my child is doing well.

I am very happy with the school. I would like my child to have more homework. Thank you to all the staff that help my child.

Overall, we find Longshaw School a good school and my child is very happy going. He joins in with activities and clubs. The staff are friendly and polite and seem willing to help or happy to discuss anything if needed - I always feel welcome and listened to, never judged. I am pleased that I chose Longshaw for my child.

My child is attached and bonded to Longshaw Juniors. I would like to thank the staff and Deputy Headteacher and Mr Hawthornthwaite.

My child is doing fantastic with the support of her class teacher. I know that if I have any concerns I can call school and it will be sorted out in the correct way.

The school is brilliant with my child. Although he does have a few issues with certain children, I will bring up at Parents' evening.

My son has settled well in Year 3. He's happy and loves coming to school every day. Thank you to all the staff for helping him grow in his learning.

My child has SEND and has come on leaps and bounds at Longshaw! He's had continued support from Year 3 all the way to Year 6 now. I am so proud of the achievements and progress he's made so thank-you!

The school is really the heart of the community and really strives to care and helps its pupils. I feel very lucky that my child has enjoyed her time at the Juniors and hopefully her brother will love his time at the Juniors as much as she has. Thank you.

Longshaw Juniors have a number of great facilities for children.

My child is happy and doing well at Longshaw. I or my child have never had any problems from children or teachers at Longshaw. A very good school for any child to attend.

My son has special educational needs at school. He is also medicated in school. He receives excellent support from all staff in school whilst ensuring he has his medicine on promptly on time, ensuring he can learn in the best possible way. I feel well communicated with from his teachers and supported. I feel he's coming on a lot with the correct support and encouragement. Thanks to all the staff.

My child loves sports at this school. He is more confident when doing this.

School has helped and encouraged both my children to be happy and to engage more in school. Thank you.

My child enjoys learning and loves going to school.

I cannot rate Longshaw enough. My child has thrives here and loves coming to school every day.
Cannot fault this school. My daughter has achieved so much more in a year from this school than she did in her previous school.

Thank you for everything you have done for my child.

Overall the school is FANTASTIC. All my older children have been to Longshaw and my youngest child will also follow when it's his time.

My child struggles but I put all my trust in the school to make sure she is ok. The one to one support helps her massively. Thank you Longshaw.

Areas for consideration-

I don't think children's hard work is always praised as I read every night with my child and homework is always done on time but my child does not get recognition for this.

I would like my child to receive more homework.

Where I have answered disagree - my child knows what to do but feels like they can't speak up. I don't think children who work hard and are well behaved all of the time are praised or rewarded enough. When I my child struggles through and tries really hard I don't feel there is enough support. I am not a fan of homework. I know they need some but feel they get too much at home as by the time I finish work, it is tea time and a little homework and then bedtime. I don't feel they get enough time to just relax.

There are not that many clubs on offer compared to other schools. I only get to know how my child is doing at Parents' evening and time slots feel rushed. The text service is too much sometimes.

Finishing school late! I have been stood waiting for my child and it has got to twenty five/thirty minutes past three on some occasions. Due to work commitments and other things to be doing it is very frustrating to be stood waiting. Then when my child is one minute late I get a text saying he arrived after 8.50am (by one minute sometimes) very annoying!

It would be helpful to get dates of things with more notice e.g. assemblies, sports events, performances etc. After school clubs are limited to children whose parents don't work as after school club as these finish at 4pm.

Sometimes I feel communication between school and parents is not 100% I wasn't sure if my child would go to after school club as I didn't get any confirmation.

Sometimes I feel things can be last minute in receiving info about trips/non-uniform days/etc. If I don't receive info or a letter and I have to find out from other parents.

As a parent I feel sometimes my child has too much homework (over holiday periods) and more creative tasks could be set. Also the range of topics and lessons at school follow the National Curriculum but personally more creative subjects need to be more frequent. The school does try to incorporate these into other lessons or school trips but I feel a full 'creative day' once a month could benefit my child in developing other mental skills.

There could be more after school clubs especially for Years 3 and 4, that don't cost a fortune. It seems more clubs and sports team are for Years 5 and 6.

The only issues we have is that is Park Lee road and the parking which I know is difficult to deal with, especially when it's parents who do not know how to park, have no consideration for others or children (parking on zigzags). It really is appalling on occasions. I myself am a driver and I've been disgusted. Parents drive up Park Lee road, stop in the middle of the road outside the gates to drop children off blocking the road both ways. They are not only putting their children at risk, but others and they should be ashamed.

Thank you for your effort with my child but I still need extra homework at home.

My only concern is my child has mixed feelings about trying their hardest in class as other misbehaving children impact the other children in the class i.e. a few children mess about with pencil cases in class so the whole class have pencil cases taken away and not allowed, which is unfair. I don't agree with the whole class being punished of other peoples' behaviour. It is hard to explain to a child when they try their best and they have done nothing wrong.