

# Meadowside Primary School

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Growing at Meadowside Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers.

Thank you for taking the time to complete our Parent Survey. We are always striving to do even better! Your feedback is vital in helping us to provide the best school possible for your children. Please see our responses

Where certain themes and points crop-up several times, we have grouped our responses together.

Comment from Parent/carer	Our response
<b>More Communication with class teachers.</b>	We will certainly review the way we communicate with parents. In the meantime, we have : <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Year group emails, which are still in operation, can be used for communication with class teachers, who will respond with 24 hours.</li><li>• You can use <a href="mailto:admin@meadowsideprimaryschool.org">admin@meadowsideprimaryschool.org</a> and members of the office staff will share any communication with the appropriate members of staff.</li><li>• Members of the SLT are out on the gates in the morning. They will happily pass on any information or try and solve any issues that you may have.</li></ul>
<b>More notice on events with parental involvement as those who work can't always get the time off at short notice</b>	We work very hard on getting communication right, and we feel it is a strength. Apologies if we have ever fallen short. We will continue to do our very best to get letters out promptly. Soon we will also have school Facebook, so that will help.

**Our values: - Respect Responsibility Reflection Resilience**

<b>Behaviour in school.</b>	<p>We have revised the Behaviour Policy, which is on the school website. The SLT work closely with the Junior Leadership Team (JLT) about equipment and rotas in the playgrounds. The following initiatives are in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Raffle tickets introduced to reward good behaviour. Pupils who remain 'in the zone' all week, get a raffle ticket added to the class pot, these are drawn termly and the winner receives a book voucher.</li> <li>• Where necessary, pupils may spend a lunch time in the 'Reflection Room' to think about their choices with a member of the SLT.</li> <li>• We have introduced Year 6 ambassadors which cultivate responsibility, confidence and independence.</li> </ul>
<b>MASC times</b>	<p>MASC sent out a parental questionnaire and the times have been set in accordance with the responses from the majority of the parents.</p>
<b>Staffing changes</b>	<p>As with all schools, staff move on to gain new experiences. At Meadowside, we encourage continued professional development for all staff; this may lead to teachers moving on to gain promotion or further develop their skills. Well-being for all is a priority at Meadowside.</p>
<b>Morning drop off</b>	<p>We still ask for pupils to come into school independently in the mornings due to current times and we appreciate that some parents find this very difficult. However, the pupils have shown their confidence, independence and resilience whilst doing so. Due to pupils coming in independently, the school working day starts promptly at 9.00am.</p>
<b>More school trips</b>	<p>As we move forward, we are excited about reintroducing school trips, as soon as we feel this is safe to do so.</p>
<b>More clubs and costings</b>	<p>Clubs that are offered by class teachers voluntarily are free, but outside clubs run at a cost, this includes those run by Mr Tranmer.</p> <p>Where numbers are limited in clubs, please contact the office and your child's name can be put on a waiting list.</p> <p>In response to a request from parents, we are looking at the possibility of running a musical theatre group.</p>

<b>Parent consultations</b>	<p>We look forward to welcoming parents back into school, as before. This includes inviting parents for consultations. However, many parents have stated that they prefer the telephone conversation so we are considering the following options:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Telephone/ Zoom meeting <b>or</b> a face to face meeting in school in the next autumn and spring terms.</li> <li>• An additional opportunity to come in to the school hall to look at pupil books for those parents who opt for a telephone call.</li> <li>• There will be Open evening in the summer term with an opportunity to look at pupil books.</li> </ul>
<b>More parental involvement</b>	<p>We are gradually introducing parents coming into school again. The following are being organised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Family Reading Time</li> <li>• Parental information evenings</li> <li>• Class assemblies</li> <li>• Open afternoons-see parent consultations</li> <li>• Volunteer helpers</li> </ul>
<b>More life skills including cooking and growing vegetables</b>	<p>Yes absolutely. Great ideas and we will look into it.</p>
<b>Links with Secondary School including the Latimer Theatre</b>	<p>Excellent idea. We hope that we can continue our relationships with the secondary schools. The theatre would be a great idea along with the introduction of musical theatre.</p>

Thank you to responding to our survey. If you have any queries or concerns or any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher, the SLT or come to my HT Coffee morning. We are all here to help.



Yours sincerely,  
Mrs Garnham