

## Hob Moor Primary Parent View Questionnaire November 2015



	<b>Strongly agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	<b>Don't know</b>
My child is happy at school	41	25	2		
My child feels safe	40	27	1		1
My child is making good progress	38	30	1		
My child is well looked after	41	28			
My child is taught well	40	25	1		2
My child gets appropriate homework for their age	29	30	6		2
School makes sure that children are well behaved	29	36	3		1
School deals effectively with bullying	20	25	4		19
School is well led and managed	28	35	3		3
School responds well to any concerns I raise	28	32	4		5
I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress	33	30	4	1	

### **Would you recommend our school to another parent?**

- Yes x 64
- No x 3
- I as a mother love Hob Moor my children are happy and I can leave my child there at ease.
- My son says he is having some problems with another boy in class, he has reported this to the teacher and so far it appears to have stopped but can this be kept under observation please.
- The school is fantastic!!

## What is special about our school?

- Brilliant school for children with disabilities but apart from some amazing teachers there isn't much to be said about it.
- Children are taught well.
- It is very bright and colourful. Clean and tidy. Friendly staff. Hot bagels in the morning! I like the fact there is always a TA around in the morning with a note book to take any concerns we have and pass on to the teacher, or to answer any queries we have.
- All staff are friendly and approachable, never had any causes for concern.
- It caters for all needs. My daughter loves her new teacher.
- I like that we can go into my child's class on a Friday to see their books and have a chance to raise any concerns with the teacher.
- That you provide a normal environment for children with learning difficulties and disabilities and involve them in as much as you can with the abled children.
- I think the fact that both schools are on the same site and the children from the partner classes are involved in activities together. I have found staff at the school to be supportive and understanding with personal matters that have affected myself over the past year.
- Everyone is nice and friendly.
- Everyone knows your name and child's name and is helpful.
- Mixed/well designed.
- My son is excited about going to school on a morning and is improving so much already. That is what makes the school special!!
- New, clean, good environment. Listen to the needs of child and parent.
- Teachers are friendly, my son is happy there.
- Staff are very friendly and the school is very focused on children from different backgrounds and needs. 10/10.
- It is a very welcoming place with excellent staff.
- The reception teachers/assistants are highly thought of by my son. The facilities are also good. Nice modern environment.
- The support that parents receive is highly important – Pastoral support has demonstrated compassion, advice and always a listening ear, this can mean a lot. I also appreciate the usage of Makaton/sign language, this is a skill that I would like my daughter to learn. And it also goes without saying that mixing with Hob Moor Oaks is a powerful and beautiful experience.
- Everything from the children being happy and polite all the time to the teachers working hard to encourage and develop the children. Hob Moor is a great school with a lovely atmosphere.
- The dinner ladies helping me.
- Get lots of help
- It is welcoming and friendly and at the heart of the community which the children live in.
- All teachers are friendly and make learning fun. My children always leave school happy.
- The mix between the Oaks and Primary is great.
- The teachers, they have made our children happy to go to school and have provided them with the right level of challenge whilst still allowing them to have fun. All the teachers have been great with our children.
- The staff including leadership team are all approachable and know all the children, I know my child is cared for and receiving a great education.
- The inclusiveness of both schools is brilliant. Really nice feeling to the school. Every day my child is excited to attend school.
- Your school has very friendly atmosphere for children to settle down.
- Diversity.
- My son likes the iPads.

- The teachers and the fact they care so much. The lunchtime clubs and extra-curricular activities. The way Hob Moor uphold Christian values and principles.
- Both my children have come on since starting at Hob Moor. They have learnt a lot in a short space of time.
- Safety and polite.
- Great teachers, class rooms are laid out well. Perfect starting times, so that I can get both my girls to school on time.
- Nice teachers. How the kids interact with disabled children is nice.
- I love how all the teachers are friendly with all the children i.e. when I pick other children up their teacher will know my children by name and say hi.
- Teaching staff are well clued up and let you know of any issues on the door at the end of the day and never turn you away!
- The safety of the children and the level of learning for individual children.
- Since my children have been at Hob Moor they have come on in leaps and bounds. I'm really impressed with their progress.
- It makes all the children happy and work really well.
- Hob Moor Oaks is really special, I love to see my children growing together with children with special needs – Wonderful School! Me and my family love Hob Moor School.
- My daughter loves coming to school every day and all the teachers are friendly and patient with her (even though she's a bossy boots).
- The teachers keep you updated on your child's progress and achievements.
- Care is given to each individual child.
- I think there is a lot of quality in Hob Moor. The teaching standard and communication is very good.
- This is a lovely friendly school, I like the layout and think the children at Hob Moor Primary benefit from being taught closely alongside Hob Moor Oaks, makes children aware of other people's abilities and disabilities. Any concerns I have had are always dealt with promptly and my children enjoy their learning environments.
- My son was initially nervous about starting school, however he has settled in really well and loves his teacher and classes.
- Every child's needs are thought about, wouldn't have my daughter at any other school.
- Facilities available to the children, play areas inside and out are great, teachers are lovely and approachable.
- Very friendly and approachable staff.
- Teachers, teaching, security. We are really happy that our children are at this school x 2
- The school is one of the nicest schools I have ever visited – the staff are all wonderful, friendly and helpful. I love this school. My son is thriving since attending this school.
- Very professional with fantastic facilities for children of all needs.

### **What would you like to change or improve?**

- More school teams e.g. football. Committed teachers to commit to extra school activities. More school team spirit.
- Nothing x 5
- No.
- At previous schools if it was raining heavily then we were not required to wait in the playground as the children were allowed to head straight in. This prevented very wet and miserable children about to start a full day at school.
- More feedback on the child's progress. The school needs to take into consideration the working times of parents, when it comes to arranging parents evening times and presentation of awards etc. (not only what suits the teachers).
- Nothing really to improve.
- Headlice appears to be a real issue at the school –more so than other primary schools. After hours a week plucking them from my child's hair I seem to be playing a losing battle. Maybe need more letters, asking parents individually to check their child's hair or a nit nurse?
- More helpful receptionists.

- Homework that's not half missing and copied out of a text book or 1 sheet printed online with no explanation.
- All children having access to hot meals and a choice – children should not get left with poor quality food because they are last in line (that's not what we pay for).
- To be notified every time a child gets Star of the Week – many get missed because we have not been notified!
- This is difficult for me to answer as I am a member of staff as well as a parent. From what my son tells me, he finds the behaviour chart a little bit unfair he thinks it's hard to move up the chart when you just get on with your work. He has also mentioned he doesn't feel safe in the playground due to a couple of children. I would like to receive a termly report so that I can see how he is progressing/struggling.
- A little bit less homework.
- I do feel there is a divide with both sides off the school. I understand on the Oaks side, but I loved the school because it deals with both sides of life but I do feel like it's a separate school. Some teachers need to be adaptable for both sides, except that we all work to help and be a team and happy.
- More playground for children in years 1 & 2.
- Nothing.
- As a separated parent I would like more information and news surrounding my child and events that take place such as pantomimes, plays, parent's evenings and any concerns the school have with my child's attendance at the school.
- Perhaps the amount of homework. Should space it out a bit more.
- I am currently on maternity leave, however at the end of March I will be returning to work full-time. I'm very concerned that there are currently no after school club space which I only need on a Tuesday and Thursday. I have spoken to the reception staff and they said they would put my son on the waiting list and let me know if we can use the club. I haven't heard anything. This is the reason why I have only ticked 'agree' regarding how the school is managed/led. Friends have said they have never known a school where an after school club is not available. There is no way I can reduce my hours and currently have no other options for childcare. Therefore I am very worried about this situation and would appreciate the schools support to enable me to return to work as required.
- More 'family assemblies'.
- Children's discos on occasions.
- Food to share from different cultures
- Santas grotto?
- Singing/music sessions.
- The bike track/entrance to school is dangerous it's a blind bend into and out of school and cars go far too fast. Need 5mph limit and a hump or a crossing before some child is knocked over.
- The school could consider families with more than one child at the school when making changes, such as drop off and collection times. It would be good if more notice could be given to parents about events at school (parents evening, class assembly etc) to help parents arrange work leave to attend. We would like to see more extra-curricular sports activities for the children, or if they already exist, knowledge of them.
- More chances for parents to come in and be involved, especially as children get older.
- Maybe by giving a bit more homework to the children who would like to learn more or willing to improve their knowledge in a particular area.
- More up to date news via email.
- My son would like the playground equipment to improve as they don't have much to play on. As a parent I do not feel anything needs improvement.
- Take away cold dinner option for school dinners and bring the contract in house using local produce and being cooked on site (Acomb Primary).
- Give children time to eat their lunch before going to lunch clubs.

- The crossing to the school needs to be safer, either with a zebra crossing or mirror so you can see vehicles easier. Also the bushes need cutting to be able to see into the car park when crossing.
- Nothing about the school.
- Parking is a nightmare.
- A mirror is needed on the entrance to the gates as you cannot see traffic coming into school, and cars travel too fast down the road and into school, I was nearly hit the other day as the driver was not paying attention and was going too fast, thankfully everything was OK.
- That they should do more on bullying.
- Homework – my son is 5 and I don't really agree with homework so young, also sometimes he doesn't seem to understand it.
- I would like to see a more approachable way of dealing with bullying. Instead of the usual answer of we will keep an eye on it.
- I speak for my child's situation: I think school, CAMHS team need to talk more together! And keep parents up dated with what's going on i.e. if there is a change in any way, staff change, it would be nice to know who we as a parent to contact. Refer back to meeting today (SEN) 9.00am and let me (Mam & Dad) know when our son is having feed/shoes re-fitted. Beforehand, not after, then I can say you're having your feet/shoes redone to him. Not just get him and he doesn't know beforehand. Just let us know!
- The crossing needs to be safer, either by a zebra crossing or mirrors so you can see vehicles easier.
- More clubs after school to help my child improve her progress, maths and English lessons, to help get better level more sports clubs after school.
- Teachers passing on info to each other, I have asked to be informed what snack my daughter has as she is having tummy problems and the second day none of the teachers knew, third day I was told though. (half not knowing about telling me).
- Breakfast Club starts a bit late.
- I do think that there should be a lolly pop lady or zebra crossing at the main gate as I feel children's safety on their way in and out of school is as risk even with an adult present. Cars/taxis have no concern of waiting and slowing down when entering or leaving the school. I have had conversations with the Leadership Team about this as my feelings are on high alert when I feel a child's safety is in jeopardy when it could be prevented. I am looking into doing a petition if this is going to help!
- I think parent teacher evenings should be later in the day or more options available for those of us who can't always take time off work – I recently had to miss such a meeting, because of this and so feel I have missed a valuable opportunity to hear how my son is progressing – its not always easy to hear from my other half who doesn't always remember everything. The first day in reception should be organised better with parents being directed on where to take their children for the first time, my son had his trial day in a class room so thought this was to be his new class but on the first day, myself my son and others in the same position were left wandering around with no clue where to go – leading to more apprehension on what is already a stressful yet exciting day. When we asked a member of staff where Mr Unwin's class was she had no idea who he was just a bit more thought needed for parents who are not familiar with the school I believe more organisation is needed.
- I would like more information on what my child does on a day to day basis.
- You don't give us enough time for things like costumes for plays/non uniform days.
- OK for us x 2
- I would like a lollipop lady to help at the crossing.
- The car park! It's very small.
- Nothing – keep doing the brilliant job that you all do.