

Somerdale Educate Together Family Questionnaire Summary and Actions September 2021

89 Families Responded

Number of Responses*	Pre-School	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
	10	21	23	19	20	13	12

*The majority of the 89 responses were for more than one child.

Themes and Actions

Theme(s)	Action(s)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> My child brings home reading books regularly. <p><i>Question: 10</i></p>	<p>We are reviewing the reading strategy used in school and how this supports reading at home. In Term 2 we will provide families with guidance which will also include expectations regarding home reading and how often children bring books home.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Families understanding of how the school promotes positive behaviour for learning strategies. Understanding of the effectiveness of the behaviour management systems. <p><i>Questions: 14, 15, 16, 17</i></p>	<p>We are currently reviewing our behaviour for learning policy. We will provide families with a document in Term 2 which outlines the policies and procedures used to promote positive behaviour for learning within the school, including our approach to restorative justice.</p>
<p>Engagement with local community</p> <p><i>Question: 12</i></p>	<p>We are determined to re-establish the community links which were disrupted by the pandemic. We are also keen to forge new community links both locally, nationally, and internationally. In Term 1 we began this process with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> St Monica's Trust Keynsham Library Services Keynsham NHS Friends of Somerdale Taylor Wimpey- Bird Box Project Bristol Water –Water Butt Competition <p>We would welcome suggestions from you for Term 2 onwards.</p>
<p>I understand the rewards that my child can receive for effort, good work/behaviour.</p> <p><i>Question: 19</i></p>	<p>There is a section in the school behaviour for learning policy which outlines the rewards children receive. We also highlight the weekly rewards in the newsletters.</p>
<p>The school website and social media platforms provide me with a clear and up to date picture of what is happening in school.</p> <p><i>Question: 25</i></p>	<p>We aim to update our school website in Term 2 and 3 to provide further information for families.</p>
<p>As a parent I feel valued and informed about decisions regarding the school.</p> <p>The school encourages parents and carers to play an active part in school life.</p> <p><i>Question: 27</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A family working group will be created in Term 2 Friends of Somerdale Educate Together AGM & calendar of events (Term 2). Family volunteers (Term 2*) <p>*Dependant on School Risk Assessment & Outbreak Management Plan.</p>

Question 32: How could we make Somerdale Educate Together even better?	
Wrap Around Care (7 responses)	We are looking at the Wrap Around Care offer we provide and the resources/activities used during the sessions. Children and families will be involved in the consultation. We have already made a few small changes and received positive feedback from service users.
Home Learning (2 responses)	A home-learning policy will be published in Term 2
Communication (19 responses)	We are reviewing how we communicate with families. In Term 1 we have attempted to establish clear and regular lines of communication with families including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weekly Newsletter • Emails to families regarding learning/school events • Regular Covid-19 updates
EYFS Outdoor Area (2 responses)	Developing the EYFS outdoor area is part of the School Development Plan. Consultants are visiting the school in Term 2. An action plan will follow.
Pupil Voice (2 responses)	Pupil Voice is extremely important to us and we provide pupils with opportunities to contribute in the following ways: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rights Respecting Team • Listening Team • Class discussions <p>A pupil questionnaire will be conducted in Term 2.</p>
School Lunches (2 responses)	Carla met with representatives from each class this term to discuss the menu for Term 2. Each class had an input in the design of the new menu.

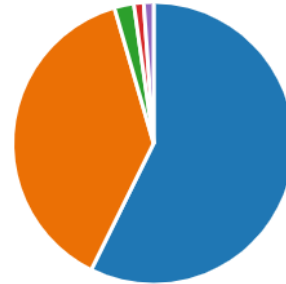


Results:

1. My child enjoys school.

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● Strongly Agree	51
● Agree	34
● Neither Agree or Disagree	2
● Disagree	1
● Strongly Disagree	1



2. The school has a happy and positive atmosphere.

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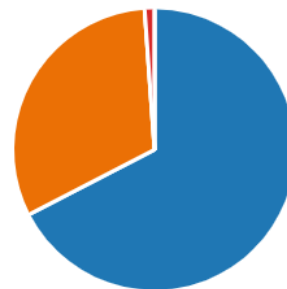
● Strongly Agree	61
● Agree	28
● Neither Agree or Disagree	0
● Disagree	0
● Strongly Disagree	0



3. The school site is sufficiently secure, and my child feels safe and well cared for.

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● Strongly Agree	60
● Agree	28
● Neither Agree or Disagree	0
● Disagree	1
● Strongly Disagree	0





4. The outdoor environment is well used to support the learning of my child.

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● Strongly Agree	27
● Agree	42
● Neither Agree or Disagree	11
● Disagree	9
● Strongly Disagree	0



Action:

5. Somerdale is teaching my child to be environmentally friendly.

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● Strongly Agree	49
● Agree	32
● Neither Agree or Disagree	6
● Disagree	2
● Strongly Disagree	0



6. Teaching at the school is good or better.

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● Strongly Agree	46
● Agree	37
● Neither Agree or Disagree	5
● Disagree	1
● Strongly Disagree	0



7. I am pleased with the progress my child is making at school.

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● Strongly Agree	40
● Agree	40
● Neither Agree or Disagree	5
● Disagree	4
● Strongly Disagree	0





8. I am kept informed about my child's learning at school.

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● Strongly Agree	15
● Agree	50
● Neither Agree or Disagree	17
● Disagree	6
● Strongly Disagree	1

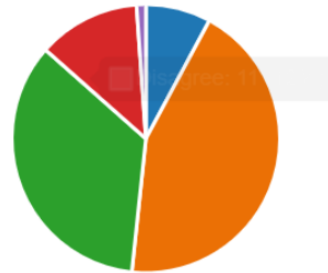


Actions:

9. I think the school keeps me well informed about my child's learning in English and Maths.

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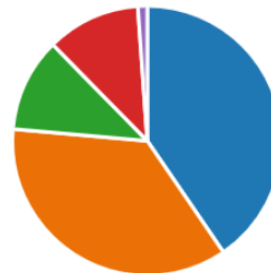
● Strongly Agree	7
● Agree	39
● Neither Agree or Disagree	31
● Disagree	11
● Strongly Disagree	1



10. My Child brings home reading books regularly.

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● Strongly Agree	36
● Agree	32
● Neither Agree or Disagree	10
● Disagree	10
● Strongly Disagree	1



11. Somerdale has high expectations for my child which helps them to reach their full potential.

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● Strongly Agree	25
● Agree	38
● Neither Agree or Disagree	22
● Disagree	3
● Strongly Disagree	1





12. I think the school gets involved with the local community.

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Strongly Agree	18
Agree	36
Neither Agree or Disagree	25
Disagree	10
Strongly Disagree	0



13. The school encourages children to care for each other and develop a sense of responsibility.

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Strongly Agree	54
Agree	30
Neither Agree or Disagree	5
Disagree	0
Strongly Disagree	0



14. I think the children's behaviour around the school is generally good.

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Strongly Agree	31
Agree	51
Neither Agree or Disagree	6
Disagree	1
Strongly Disagree	0



15. I think the children's behaviour in my child's class is generally good.

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Strongly Agree	23
Agree	41
Neither Agree or Disagree	18
Disagree	7
Strongly Disagree	0





16. I think that the school's systems for managing behaviour is effective.

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● Strongly Agree	9
● Agree	38
● Neither Agree or Disagree	34
● Disagree	6
● Strongly Disagree	0



17. I am confident that Somerdale deals with challenging behaviour effectively.

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● Strongly Agree	11
● Agree	33
● Neither Agree or Disagree	36
● Disagree	8
● Strongly Disagree	0



18. My child enjoys playtimes at school.

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● Strongly Agree	44
● Agree	40
● Neither Agree or Disagree	4
● Disagree	1
● Strongly Disagree	0



19. I know the rewards that my child can receive at school for effort, good work/behaviour.

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● Strongly Agree	35
● Agree	33
● Neither Agree or Disagree	6
● Disagree	13
● Strongly Disagree	2





20. My child feels that they could talk to a member of staff at school if they have a problem.

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● Strongly Agree	37
● Agree	38
● Neither Agree or Disagree	12
● Disagree	2
● Strongly Disagree	0



21. Somerdale treats my child fairly.

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● Strongly Agree	45
● Agree	35
● Neither Agree or Disagree	8
● Disagree	1
● Strongly Disagree	0



22. Somerdale helps to promote healthy lifestyles.

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● Strongly Agree	39
● Agree	39
● Neither Agree or Disagree	9
● Disagree	2
● Strongly Disagree	0



23. Enquires on the phone at reception or by email are dealt with effectively and courteously.

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● Strongly Agree	58
● Agree	27
● Neither Agree or Disagree	4
● Disagree	0
● Strongly Disagree	0





24. I feel welcomed when coming into the main reception area.

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● Strongly Agree	61
● Agree	20
● Neither Agree or Disagree	8
● Disagree	0
● Strongly Disagree	0



25. The school website and social media platforms provide me with a clear and up to date picture of what is happening in school.

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● Strongly Agree	18
● Agree	46
● Neither Agree or Disagree	17
● Disagree	7
● Strongly Disagree	1

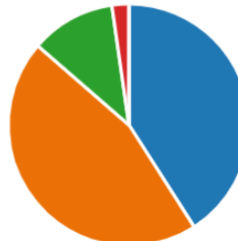


26. I believe my concerns would be dealt with by the school in a prompt and satisfactory manor.

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● Strongly Agree	36
● Agree	40
● Neither Agree or Disagree	10
● Disagree	2
● Strongly Disagree	0



27. As a parent I feel valued and informed about decisions regarding the school.

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● Strongly Agree	22
● Agree	47
● Neither Agree or Disagree	13
● Disagree	7
● Strongly Disagree	0





28. The school encourages parents and carers to play an active part in school life.

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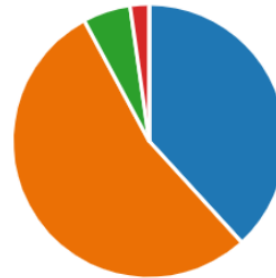
Strongly Agree	30
Agree	40
Neither Agree or Disagree	13
Disagree	5
Strongly Disagree	0



29. The school keeps me fully informed about the events that are happening in school.

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Strongly Agree	34
Agree	48
Neither Agree or Disagree	5
Disagree	2
Strongly Disagree	0



30. The school provides good quality wrap around care.

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Strongly Agree	23
Agree	28
Neither Agree or Disagree	32
Disagree	4
Strongly Disagree	2





Question 31: What do you like about Somerdale Educate Together Primary School? 68 Responses – Sample below:	
Lovely ethos & friendly staff My children are making good progress My children have friends at school and are happy here learning to be global citizens and making responsible choices. Healthy focus on learning, but not to detriment of pastoral and extra-curricular activities.	It is inclusive and promotes individuality.
There is always such a happy friendly atmosphere at the school. Both of my children are always more than happy to go to school and that's the most important thing for me.	Children enjoy playing and studying there. The value of school is demonstrated and respected by students and parents.
Promote respect for each other. Whole child approach. Friendly atmosphere. Feeling of caring for each other. Fun environment. Engaged teachers	The school ethos, the environment, and teaching staff and admin staff.
We really like the learning ethos and how enthusiastic the teachers are in regards to their approach.	The children are the focus of everything, it is a place where everyone is celebrated regardless of their differences. It is holistic and really feels like a caring environment.
It's a very welcoming school.	They are passionate for what they are doing.
Every interaction I've had with any member of staff has always been positive. Even if it has been a small issue (regarding child's settling/development etc) I feel listened to, and it has always been acted on promptly with great feedback and positive outcomes for my child	Nice families and children. Availability of music lessons. After school enrichment clubs. School building and grounds.
How inclusive it is. It is such a friendly school, with Chris and Sam to welcome the kids each day, it really sets the tone for a fun and friendly place to learn. There is a real sense of community and support from the school which is also felt among the parents- I wasn't expecting school drops/collections/ whatsApp groups to be so friendly and inclusive. The classrooms are so well thought through with natural materials, beautiful displays that are not distracting or overbearing. Such a calm environment to engage the children. The setting is beautiful too- fabulous building with wonderful views. Such a great learning environment with a real connection to nature. We honestly couldn't think of a better place for our daughter to grow up and learn.	I think Somerdale is a very nice school and I feel our kids are safe there. I also feel the teachers and the staff are lovely. I very much like the values and ethos of the school. I love the fact that they get meditation and that they can express themselves by the way they dress and the informal way of interacting with the staff. I also love the after-school clubs. I am very happy with Somerdale.