



PARENTAL SURVEY

RESULTS 2025



We received 202 returns from a possible 263 families (77% return)

NB. significant increase in response 😊

| | | Strongly agree | Agree | Disagree | Strongly disagree |
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| 1 | My child is happy at this school. | 78.5% (158) | 20% (41) | 1.5% (3) | |
| 2 | My child feels safe at this school. | 87% (176) | 12% (24) | 1% (2) | |
| 3 | The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved. | 76% (153) | 23% (47) | 1% (2) | |
| 4 | My child has not been bullied. OR My child has been bullied and the school dealt with the bullying quickly and effectively. | 73% (148) | 25% (51) | 1.5% (3) | |
| 5 | The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year. | 80.5% (163) | 19% (38) | 0.5% (1) | |
| 6 | I have not raised any concerns. OR When I have raised concerns with the school they have been dealt with properly. | 88% (178) | 10.5% (21) | 1.5% (3) | |
| 7 | Does your child have special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND)? | Yes 23% (47) | | No 77% (155) | |
| 8 | <i>If yes to Q7 – how strongly do you agree with this statement: 'My child has SEND, and the school gives them the support they need to succeed.'</i> | 85% (40) | 13% (6) | 2% (1) | |
| 9 | The school has high expectations for my child. | 68.5% (139) | 30% (60) | 1% (2) | 0.5% (1)* |
| 10 | My child does well at this school. | 77% (155) | 23% (47) | | |
| 11 | The school lets me know how my child is doing. | 72% (145) | 25.5% (52) | 2.5% (5) | |
| 12 | There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school. | 79% (160) | 20.5% (42) | 0.5% (1) | |
| 13 | My child can take part in clubs and activities at this school. | 73% (147) | 23% (47) | 3.5% (7) | 0.5% (1) |
| 14 | The school supports my child's wider personal development | 68% (138) | 30% (60) | 2% (4) | |
| 15 | I would recommend this school to another parent? (please circle) | 100% Yes | | 0% No | |

Additional comments:

- ✓ Before and since our child's diagnosis of autism they have been great with her and I know that if she required any additional support they would help. We love this school and our daughter thrives, as did her sister. No other school like it! Thank you.
- ✓ We have raised a few issues with my child's classteacher around bullying/issues our child was having with other children and both times this was dealt with swiftly and with positive outcomes. We requested bereavement/mental wellbeing support from Mrs Robe and again this was acted on quickly. The school have been supportive of absence days needed i.e when we requested a day off for our son to be part of his Grandad's ash scattering. Thank you all, St Botolph's is a brilliant school.
- ✓ St Botolph's is a wonderful school. All of the teachers and TA's that my children have had have been highly supportive and professional. From the moment my children enter school campus they are greeted with a smile.
- ✓ Both of my children have thrived at this school and we couldn't ask for anything more. A Big thank you to all of the staff for their hard work.
- ✓ St Botolph's is an overall fantastic school. Great topics to learn, amazing staff, wonderful support and guidance always given.
- ✓ Our daughter is always happy to go to school, she feels safe and knows who her trusted adults are. She is doing very well learning wise and her NFER results show this. It is always nice to receive the NFER results to check progress made.
- ✓ We feel our son has made great progress this year. He always goes into school happy, ready to start the day and looks forward to whatever the day brings. He has joined a variety of afterschool clubs this year that he has enjoyed.
- ✓ Both of our children love coming to St Botolph's. My child has come on so well since joining St Botolph's in February 2023 which is all down to how well he is supported at school. My child is happy and excited to go to school every day! Keep doing what you're doing!
- ✓ Amazing School!
- ✓ Our daughter loved St Botolph's. Her teacher has been fantastic and has really encouraged her and her confidence! Thank you!
- ✓ We are so proud of how much our son has come on and all that is with greatest thanks to the staff, if only he came to your wonderful school earlier. He has his spark back and the hunger to learn, we are so grateful for everything. Sending massive thanks and may your school continue to grow.
- ✓ Our son is so happy to go to school every day! It is such a relief and comfort to know he is happy and settled in a wonderful environment with kind and caring staff members. Our son has come on leaps and bounds and it's lovely to see the updates through the app of all the different activities he does every day. We can't thank the staff enough for the brilliant first year he's had.
- ✓ My child has come on loads this year, amazing school, teachers work so hard for our children so thank you all for teaching our child.
- ✓ Another wonderful year, our daughter has been brimming with facts for Egypt and the Stone Age (so much so I'd love to visit when Mr Egypt is in!). Thank you so much.
- ✓ My daughter is very happy in this school. Her confidence grew since she started. It's been wonderful to watch her grow and feel more secure and positive in herself. Thank you so much for the support!
- ✓ Our son has made so much progress this year, his vocabulary has come on lots - we can see the target on his comprehension in reading/speaking in abundance. Very happy with his progress, we love our school and you very much.
- ✓ We continue to be impressed with the quality of the school and sense of community. We wish everyone a well deserved rest over the summer.
- ✓ The school is really good and my daughter really enjoys coming to school.

- ✓ We are over the moon with the positive impact St Botolph's have made, not only for our daughter but us as a family. Seeing her happy to attend school and happy coming out of school is the best feeling! Leaps and bounds has happened this year for our daughter, we are so grateful to see her thriving as she is finally understood and listened to. We are so proud! Thank you to all!
- ✓ I've been incredibly happy with how our son has got on in year one. His teacher has been a fantastic teacher supporting his learning and personal interest. Bring on year 2!
- ✓ Please don't change what you are doing as a school! Staff are wonderfully dedicated and cheerful, superbly hands. Approachable Head Mistress and super building. All staff have been amazing! As a parent I am confident that our son is valued as an individual, with equal opportunities, where he is supported with his needs giving him access to be included in the daily school routine. I have sung my praises of the school far and wide! Thank you for being an amazing school and being so welcoming.
- ✓ We are so pleased with St Botolph's, my son always wants to go to school. All of the staff are friendly and approachable. Looking forward to my youngest son starting in September. It is a lovely school with happy children and staff.
- ✓ Our daughter is very happy at school and I am so proud of how far she's come since starting.
- ✓ Amazing school, our son has come on leaps and bounds. So proud of him and yourselves!
- ✓ We could not have chosen a better school! We are so pleased with how much you do with the children; the discos, trips, panto etc! Some of our friends whose children go to school elsewhere do not do half of what you do at St Botolph's! Our son loves the Sunday timetable that we get sent so he can see what his week will look like.
- ✓ The school has been incredibly supportive to both my son and myself. I am confident to leave my son in the hands of such caring teachers and support staff. He has learnt so much and is given so many opportunities to be involved in a varied range of learning activities. The school goes above and beyond for its children, they are very lucky, not only is their learning development supported but their personal wellbeing is too! Love this school.
- ✓ Our daughter has exceeded expectations in foundation, that is purely down to her teachers. She has come on academically and socially. We are incredibly grateful.
- ✓ As parents we feel that we definitely chose the right school for our son.
- ✓ Our daughter loves going to school and enjoyed her year at foundation. Amazing teachers and staff.
- ✓ My son's teacher has been giving our son extra support with his English, this has been very helpful and has made me a lot happier knowing this.
- ✓ The school is a welcoming place where my child feels safe to try new things and enjoys learning. My child has always been supported and encouraged to try his best even when he is nervous about a new activity. Every member of staff greets you with a smile and any concerns are dealt with promptly. Myself and my child always feel listened to. The ELSA sessions were brilliant and gave my son a big boost. The school gets outside, goes to different classrooms and has trips as much as possible which really helps my son's learning and confidence. Thank you! P.S the afterschool club is fantastic too!
- ✓ Truly feels so important to the staff that our daughter is safe and happy. I think for the first year of supporting and opening a Special Resource Base unit, you have all done extremely well and I know that I would not want my child to be anywhere else.
- ✓ Amazing inclusive school. Staff know the children well. The best school in the area, thank you for all you do.
- ✓ Lovely school, my son has enjoyed being at St Botolph's. The SENCO has been amazing in fighting for our son to get in the best secondary school that we want him to go to.
- ✓ St Botolph's is a wonderful school which I am proud my children attend. All children are greeted with friendliness and support from the moment they are dropped off each day.

- ✓ As always, staff have gone above and beyond to ensure my children have a positive school experience. To see them go from strength to strength in their personal and educational journeys makes me incredibly proud! I will forever be grateful to all staff members who support and guide my children during their time at St Botolph's. Thank you for another wonderful year!
- ✓ Very happy with the school. Thank you for everything you do for my child.
- ✓ We have been thoroughly informed and supported by the school through this academic year, our child has settled in extremely well and is flourishing in your carefully curated environment. Long may it continue - we already look forward to next year.
- ✓ We are extremely happy with the progress our daughter has made. She has had exceptional support from her teacher and talks highly of her TA's. She has good relationships with these grown ups. They have supported her academically and emotionally. Thank you to them for her amazing start to school.
- ✓ My daughter has had a very positive and successful first year at school.
- ✓ We love St Botolph's! Feels like a positive and safe and supportive place for our kids to thrive!
- ✓ Could not have asked for a better start for our daughter at school
- ✓ This is the most AMAZING school I know (and I work in schools!). The teaching staff (and other staff) are so lovely to my children and really care about them. My children love going to school, my son has autism and he has soared with the help of SENCO and his lovely one to one, is like his best friend. She is superb as are so many others. We could not have asked for a better school. Thanks for giving my kids the best start to school life.
- ✓ Amazing school, I cannot praise and recommend St Botolph's enough.
- ✓ My little girl loves school and is always happy to go. She comes out of school with lots to tell me everyday. The teachers are very supportive with her learning and are great at giving advise on how to help at home to develop her learning. She has lots of friends and this is a great comfort.
- ✓ We are at the end of Primary school for our family now and couldn't be happier with the chances and environment St Botolph's has given our boys. They are confident and happy young men and the love and care you have put into them over the last 10 years is a big part of that.
- ✓ Our daughter has struggled in certain areas this year, especially in maths and her general focus. I spoke with the SENCO who actively listened, reassured me and offered advice on pathways to help support us further. The SENCO has been incredible throughout the diagnosis process and I feel confident our daughter will be supported where needed.
- ✓ The school is outstanding- I am so glad my son attends. His development is wonderful to watch, and I appreciate the updates on his learning. I recommend this school to everyone - there's a genuine care from all the staff, which you can see from their interactions with the children.

Additional suggestions:

Q11

More info about where my child is at in comparison to where he should be at and any learning challenges/achievements a bit more throughout the year

Q13

- Places filling up within minutes (could priority be given to those who haven't been before? Could they be released not during the working day as they're usually gone before I get to see Weduc?)
- 3 x Tree frogs – so not really possible due to taxi collections and appropriateness of activities on offer
- Lack of offer for younger FS/Y1 children
- Less on offer this year? Eg gardening club
- Chess club after school
- Many held on Thursdays – could days for 'free' clubs be varied?
- More affordable club options where possible

Other comments but not complaints:

- FS induction for 2024 starters required 4.5 days off work – already reduced this for induction 2025 cohort
- Phone for BASC
- Q9 Expectations aren't too high that they are unachievable – not a negative
- Area on the playground for calmer games – eg card games/bard games
- Opportunities for all deserving children to have reward time in addition to Golden time and not just SEND children (more frequent class treats?)
- TTR isn't enough homework at Y4, boring and repetitive, not sure as parents how to help if they aren't getting it
- More sporting opps/team sports out of school to boost healthy competition - sorted already for 25/26
- More lessons outside the classroom for those children who struggle with sitting