



Sunningdale School Parent Questionnaire

Results - 39 completed questionnaires

1. Sunningdale is a welcoming school

- Strongly agree **36 - 92%**
- Agree **3 - 8%**
- Somewhat agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree

Comments: Super friendly and super supportive, always happy.

Sunningdale is very welcoming school and the staff are all lovely and pleasant and always on hand when needed.

Ava loves going to Sunningdale and is coming on great, fabulous staff

School is always welcoming; all staff are very friendly and approachable.

The staff are all very friendly, helpful and very supportive. I am not afraid to ask anything or contact the school if necessary.

My daughter has settled well. The staff are all welcoming. (Teachers)

Very welcoming, really lovely staff.

Friendly, helpful, caring staff. Teachers always approachable and have time to talk and provide support.

Always friendly staff

Have always found all staff friendly and approachable.

Staff always happy to help.

All staff are very welcoming.

Everyone is very friendly, approachable and easy to walk to.

2. My child is happy at school

- Strongly agree **35 - 89%**
- Agree **4 - 11%**

- Somewhat agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree

Comments:

Callum really enjoys school while he's there but he is often anxious on a morning when I get him dressed however, I feel that this isn't because he doesn't enjoy school but rather he just always wants to be at home.

Love, love, loves this school.

My child is always happy to attend school its a little adventure to him and his brother and when they smile they are happy inside.

My son loves being at school.

Ava does love school, she has her melt downs but not through school. It helps Ava so much with routine and confidence.

School is my Childs' favourite place to be. He has so much fun and is always smiling.

He leaves in the taxi happy, he knows where he's going and is happy when he gets home.

She loves going to school so much. Sometimes she doesn't want to come home.

My daughter loves coming to this school.

My son loves going to school, he gets all excited and when he returns he cannot wait to tell me what he's been doing.

Abigail would be at school 7 days a week if she could. She loves school. She is happy and more regulated here.

Mia loves school but every day asks if there will be any fire alarms. She loves school.

Lucas hates when school is closed.

My child loves coming to school. She gets very excited.

Nadia enjoys going to school and doesn't want to come home as she has lots of fun.

3. I am kept well informed (via home-school diaries) about how my child is getting on.

- Strongly agree **33- 84%**
- Agree **4 -10%**
- Somewhat agree **1 - 3%**
- Neither agree nor disagree **1 - 3%**
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree

Comments:

I am updated regularly through ParentMail, phone calls, zoom meetings and phone calls.

Every day.

Evidence Me gives a good idea of what happens each day.

Always fully communicated from all school staff.

Abigail's Teacher updates her diary every day on Evidence Me and rings me if they need to discuss anything. I update the diary on weekends / holidays and I can ring them if I need to.

Excellent communication through home diaries, also we love seeing pictures and how happy he looks.

Definitely the home school diaries are brilliant. It is a pity I can't download them as a memory of school.

Diaries are really informative. We receive phone calls if there is any issues that need discussing.

Great always

I do miss the handwritten diaries.

We are well informed what the children are doing throughout the day by getting updates on the daily diaries.

Always kept updated.

I always get a very detailed dairy about Callum's day.

I am informed of his day activities but when replying or asking questions I find it takes a few days for anyone to reply if they reply at all.

The information doesn't come in regularly.

4. Staff explain how I can help my child at home.

- Strongly agree **25 - 64%**
- Agree **7 - 18%**
- Somewhat agree **3 - 8%**
- Neither agree nor disagree **2 - 5%**
- Somewhat disagree **1 - 3%**
- Strongly disagree

Comments:

Advice is given as well as support on services I can access.

Evidence Me has suggestions.

Abigail's Teacher has gave us advice about learning and behaviours and what we can do at home to help and support her.

Yes I am very grateful for this as I'm still on a long learning curve.

We are regularly advised of any strategies that we can implement.

Been absolutely amazing how much they know Ava and her needs so well.

Staff are always on hand and giving parents the right help and support how to manage things at home with the children.

Always helpful advice when needed.

They always offer help with regards to resources e.g. making pec's cards and offer support with how I can help at home.

Although we receive daily updates on George's activities, we don't meet in person to talk about his progress.

I don't get that feedback regularly

I've found that I've not been informed when my child does new things or signs which I could also do at home.

5. I feel I am able to contact classroom staff to discuss my child's learning and progress.

- Strongly agree **33 - 84%**
- Agree **3 - 7%**

- Somewhat agree **1 - 3%**
- Neither agree nor disagree **1 - 3%**
- Somewhat disagree **1 - 3%**
- Strongly disagree

Comments:

Either through her online dairy or even phone calls.

Gill always gets back to me if I need to speak to her.

Yes if you phone up.

Yes I know I can ring or email and I have done in the past when I've needed to discuss progress or issues etc.

All staff are great.

Even when the staff are busy they always find time.

Always put directly through.

The staff are very approachable and friendly, always willing to help.

It's really good we are able to discuss the children's progress with class teachers so if there are any issues with the children they will help to try and resolve the issues.

I am always able to call school if I need to speak with anyone.

There should be direct and clear avenue to contact classroom

6. When requested, staff explain how I can help my child at home.

- Strongly agree **31 - 80%**
- Agree **5 - 13%**
- Somewhat agree **3 - 7%**
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree

Comments:

I have not requested.

If needed all the time.

Staff are great giving out advice on how to help my child at home so it makes things easier for the child to understand.

Same again. Great how they know Ava's needs and understand Ava from the start.

Staff are always able to offer advice and support regarding any issues at home.

Jan is great with any behaviour issues or extra support.

7. I feel I am able to contact senior staff in school when necessary.

- Strongly agree **29 - 74%**
- Agree **8 - 21%**
- Somewhat agree
- Neither agree nor disagree **2 - 5%**
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree

Comments:

School is a different environment. What works at school doesn't always work at home.

8. The school works hard to engage with other professionals (Speech and Language Therapy, Physiotherapy, Occupation Therapy etc...)

- Strongly agree **35 - 89%**
- Agree **3 - 8%**
- Somewhat agree
- Neither agree nor disagree **1 - 3%**
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree

9. The arrangements for my child on admission to Sunningdale were

Comments:

I don't know because I have not attempted it.

It is sometimes hard to contact senior staff due to their busy timetable.

For appointments etc.

Never had to.

Yes definitely.

We think it's really important to be able to contact staff in school when it's necessary and Sunningdale is spot on with this. Thank you.

Senior staff are great, always at meetings as well and know Ava so well.

I have been able to speak to headteacher if needed.

good.

- Strongly agree **30 - 77%**
- Agree **9 - 23%**
- Somewhat agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree

Comments:

Sunningdale were great but she had no grace period as it was lockdown.

Was child was provided with lots of support to start school. When moving to new school, we were not told he was ongoing until after the event.

Because of COVID we could not visit but Lucas was locked after immediately

Super friendly and helpful. Cody was in love at first sight.

The arrangements for the children on admission to Sunningdale were excellent.

Great.

Everything ran smoothly and was straight forward. Plenty of information provided.

Abigail has had many professionals visit and support her at school over the years.

Love now everyone is involved.

10. The school plans for my child's personalised needs via a Personalised Learning Plan.

- Strongly agree **33 - 85%**
- Agree **6 - 15%**
- Somewhat agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree

Comments:

Yes the EHCP's are very detailed and personal. Great and know Child's needs so health and progress is coming on great.

My child is getting the right help and support for his PLP

Lucas has his own plan.

My child has a very personalised plan that is really helpful for him.

The school work well with other professionals and provide in depth reviews.

They are very thorough and definitely aimed at Ellery's needs.

11. My child makes good progress.

- Strongly agree **35 - 90%**
- Agree 2 - 5%**
- Somewhat agree **2 - 5%**
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree

Comments:

Since starting the school my child has come on loads with all aspects.

She has grown so much in the short time she has been here.

My son is also making progress at home with speech.

Abigail has made great progress at school, especially with communication and sensory issues.

My son is making excellent progress.

Amazing progress.

Ava has come on great in such a short space. I can't praise all the staff and office, everyone for everything was a god send for Ava.

It is important for my child to make good progress to help him develop in all areas of life and education.

She is making very good progress thanks to all teachers.

Come on leaps and bounds.

Lucas is more confident and his reading has really come on.

My child has massively progressed with regards to his development at school

She does make good progress. I can see how much he is making.

12. My child feels safe at school.

- Strongly agree **34 - 87%**
- Agree **5 - 13%**

- Somewhat agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree

Comments:

She loves her teachers

My child definitely feels safe and happy at school

Lucas loves every moment

Total trust in the school

Even though he has anxiety

It is really important that my child feels safe at school so he can grow in confidence and he knows he is in a safe and happy environment and learn to trust others away from home.

Ava is so happy and I feel safe and secure when she attends.

13. I think the school values equality as well as cultural and religious diversity

- Strongly agree **29 - 74%**
- Agree **9 - 23%**
- Somewhat agree **1 - 3%**
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree

14. The school supports the teaching and understanding of British

Comments:

Always looking at different cultures

The school are interested in Nadia's home life which includes values and religious beliefs.

My child has always been offered to engage in activities which reflect celebrations in a variety of cultures and religion.

This is really good the school supports this. Everybody is equal in every way.

Values

- Strongly agree **28 - 72%**
- Agree **8 - 21%**
- Somewhat agree
- Neither agree nor disagree **3- 7%**
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree

Comments:

Sorry I can't comment on this as I don't know.

It is really important to promote this.

15. I have attended parent events at the school (Sports Day, Parents Evening, Parents Evening Building, Tours, Stay and Play sessions)

- Yes **36 -92 %**
- No **3 -8%**

Comments:

I feel involved in school activities.

Via Zoom or phone call

We have attended parents evening.

Lovely, friendly and welcoming staff and school.

We have attended a sports, parents evening, your of new school and performances.

Always lots of fun

Parents Evening

I attend anything I can. If I'm available I always go.

Loved the stay and play Christmas one as we got to meet the teachers again and see her at school.

EHCP Review

16. I have attended parent support and training events at the school (Family Thrive, Curriculum Overview, Reading)

- Yes **18 - 46%**

No **21- 54%**

Comments:

Not yet.

Unable to due to working full time during term time.

Would love too but I am in full time education myself.

They are informative.

I am booked onto the Family Thrive and was at the curriculum overview.

Grandparents attended Makaton.

Have had excellent support from Jan.

Thrive was an excellent course. I feel very grateful to be offered to do such courses through the school.

I have never been told when these take place or invited.

I've booked and attended a few courses across the years via the SENHUB.

I'm booked on Family Thrive and Makaton.

17. I plan to attend future parent support and training events

Yes **34 - 87%**

No **4 - 10%**

(1 - 3% unsure)

Comments:

I check the SENHub every Friday.

Work 3 days so can't enrol on a lot of things.

Only because I now work in a school so no longer have the free time to attend.

Yes will do its always a help to us if there's more help out there and have a better understanding of autism

If possible.

Makaton Level 1 & 2

18. Have any of your other children attended the school's SIBS group for supporting siblings of those with learning difficulties?

- Yes
- No 32 - 82%**
- Not Applicable 7 - 18%

Comments:

Too young at the moment.

My other children are all grown up

My son is only 9 months old

If invited we would come

My baby girl is only 10 month old.

Emily was interested but was too young as was 6 at the time.

19. Do you intend for any of your children to attend future SIBS groups ran by the school?

- Yes 12 - 31%
 - No 12 - 31%
 - Not Applicable 14 - 35%
- 1 - 3% Unsure**

Comments:

Only because Alex's siblings are 13 & 16 and don't want to attend.

Will see school about these and which is available to Ava.

When they are old enough.

If invited we would come.

When she is a bit older.

Yes, once she is old enough.

If available.

20. Did you know that the school is recognised as (one of three) national best practice 'exemplar' schools for delivering Pre-formal,

Semi-formal and Informal curriculums for children with Severe,
Profound and Multiple
Learning Difficulties?

Yes **24 - 62%**

No **15 - 38%**

Comments:

Well done Sunningdale is an exceptional school.

Well deserved.

But I can tell by Ava's progress that the school is brilliant
and really important for our childrens needs.

Well done Sunningdale you are all fab.

Yes we know that the school is excellent at delivering
everything to help with disabilities so it doesn't come as a
surprise. It's the best at delivering all the right qualities,
the staff are always spot on delivering all the right help and
support with everything.

Heard about this in a previous newsletter video.

21. Did you know that the school is the only special school in the country that is a national Early Years Stronger Practice Hub?

Yes **16** - **41%**

No **23** - **59%**

Comments:

Sorry I don't know about this.

That is fab.

But it is brilliant for Ava's need and cant' praise staff and office, Ava's escort, everyone, Headteacher thank you.

Well done!

Always researching.

Well done all staff at Sunningdale for achieving this. Parents with children with disabilities couldn't be without you, you are amazing.

Name: _____ Date: _____