

Family Response Questionnaire – February 17

Spixworth Infant School Leadership and Management Team

Thank you for completing our family response questionnaire.

Here is a brief overview of the responses you gave and some of the ideas shared.

Please note: If your idea has not been responded to directly here, it has still been heard and is still important to us as we make decisions about future improvements to our school.

Over 95% of families felt we are supporting children in developing a Growth Mindset – a belief that through effort, anything is achievable.

The Growth Mindset Working Party is open to all. We will continue to embed this ethos across all classes and the children will become the teachers in their class assemblies.

We will also be introducing Growth Mindset mascots and class homework diaries to support links between home and school.

Over 98% of families felt we are using our website to communicate more information to families.

Our website is full of information. Please take a look if you have not yet done so.

We do try to keep the site as up-to-date and accurate as possible. If you do spot an irregularity please let us know so we can fix it ASAP.

We are also now looking into the possibility of a mobile app for our website.

Over 98% of families felt we are providing enrichment activities for every topic to make learning more engaging and purposeful (e.g. Christmas stalls, planetarium, London visit).

A few parents had questions or concerns about the planned London visit. This is understandable.

Hopefully many have now been answered.

We will continue to plan a range of exciting experiences across each year.

Thanks to your ideas, we are now looking to include a family event as one of our enrichment activities.

Over 97% of families felt we are increasing learning opportunities outside of school (Purple Mash, Pobble, Mathseeds, Children's University).

If you have not accessed these with your child yet, or are having trouble doing so, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Children's University is not available for children under 5. For fairness we offer this to Y1 and 2 only.

Thanks to your ideas, we are looking at ways we can use our website to celebrate more achievements for all children.

We will also be looking at the possibility of introducing a Reading App in the future.

Your ideas on how we could **raise parental attendance at school events** have been very useful.

- We understand how difficult it can be to take time off work frequently. We will continue to set dates for the year in September and aim to spread these evenly across the year. If you can't make an event yourself, we are always happy for another family member to attend on your behalf.
- As siblings are unable to attend Reading/Writing/Maths cafes we are now looking at the possibility of altering one of the cafes to a 'family' café with an Art/creative focus from next year.

Your ideas for the **future development of our school** have also been very useful.

- Smaller, single-aged classes seem ideal. We, of course, manage our classes based on the number of children admitted to our school each September. We will continue to plan very carefully, and creatively where possible, to provide the best education for the children of Spixworth.
- We are now introducing 'The Week Ahead' messages to support your personal planning and diaries.
- The Friends are currently supporting the school in improving our outdoor, physical play spaces. We agree that we could improve our sporting facilities. Plans are afoot!