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Parent Feedback Autumn Term 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

As you are aware, we continue to seek your feedback as to what you feel that we do well as a school, as well as any areas in which you feel that we could improve.

Thank you to all parents and carers for their comments in the recent autumn 2020 survey. Here is a brief summary of the responses that we received.

What does the school do well?

Do you have any other comments about the school?

- Care to the pupils, regular calls during lockdown to find out the progress of pupils
- Book swapping & take a book home this is fantastic
- Cares for the children's well being
- Children are happy
- Children have an enjoyable experience
- Communicates very well with parents
- Communication lets parents and carers know everything about the school via website
- Encourages / promotes good behaviour
- Encourages pupils to try new things
- Encouraging and praising achievements out of school
- Feels Covid secure
- Friendly, family like environment
- Gives children responsibilities (bump buddy) to aid development
- Great sense of community, belonging and continuity
- Has brought my child on leaps and bounds
- Having supportive teachers and administrators
- Helpful whenever I have asked office / teachers they have been knowledgeable and helpful
- Inclusive of all children in relation to activities, clubs and concerts
- Listens and takes into consideration my concerns
- Look after our children equally
- Manages behaviour both positive and negative and deals with it openly and in a way children engage with
- Offers a range of learning opportunities beyond school (pre-Covid)
- Recognises differences and adjust styles accordingly
- Safeguarding!
- Staff are approachable and friendly
- Teaching good values from a young age
- Well organised materials during lockdown, always trying to provide better learning materials
- Through the last 9 months other settings haven't come close to the support and assurance Lee Brigg has. They have made a horrible situation a little less horrible







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Outcomes of Summer Parent Survey 2020

Question	Strongly Agree/Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't know / Not needed this information
My child is happy at this school	100%			
My child feels safe at this school	100%			
The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved	98%			2% 1 response
My child has been bullied and the school dealt with the bullying quickly and effectively	6% 3 responses			94%
The school makes me aware of what my child will learn throughout the year	94%	3% 2 responses		3% 2 responses
When I have raised concerns with the school they have been dealt with properly	50%	2% 1 response		48%
Does your child have SEND - how strongly do you agree with statement 'my child has SEND and the school gives them the support they need to succeed'	2% 1 response			98%
The school has high expectations for my child	89%	2% 1 response	2% 1 response	7% 4 responses
My child does well at this school	98%			2% 1 response
The school lets me know how my child is doing	86%	3% 2 responses		11% 6 responses
There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school	93%			7% 4 responses
My child can take part in clubs and activities at this school	61%			39%
The school supports my child's wider personal development	85%			15% 8 responses







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As with everything that we do, we appreciate your comments which offer constructive feedback. When asked what you thought the school needed to continue to develop:

A summary of the main	School Comments / Actions
comments as suggestions	
for improvements How are you managing the reduced opportunities to	We continue to communicate with parents and carers via class weekly newsletters in nursery and reception. We also continue to provide whole school updates using our
visit school and have face to face meetings with teachers due to Covid-19 pandemic?	school newsletter, which is posted on Parenthub, as well as the school website. Our school website, Parenthub and Twitter are our main sources of communication presently in lieu of being able to invite parents and carers into our setting. As always, our senior leaders will continue to be available around the school grounds at either end of the school day.
	We feel it important to acknowledge that despite the above, our current offer is not to our usual standards, or to the standard which we would ordinarily pride ourselves on. Please be reassured that parents and carers are welcome to contact the school by telephone (01924 893829) to make an appointment to speak with teaching staff. We have also created class e-mail addresses which are detailed on the skills challenge letters. Parents and carers are welcome to send e-mails into school should they not be able to make telephone contact during school hours. Additionally, our
	administrators can be contacted at leebriggadmin@watertonacademytrust.org.
How have you mitigated the adverse affect the Covid-19 has had on the transition timetable for pupils?	We would wholeheartedly agree that the transition timetable we were able to offer pupils was anything but 'normal' this year and has been further compounded adversely owing to many children being out of education for up to 6 months. We created a 'transitions' section on our school website, which gave information specific to each cohort and included videos for the younger children to allow them to familiarise themselves with the setting remotely.
	Staff recorded themselves reading stories for the children in early years to allow the adults they will meet in school (and their voices) to become known. We provided photos of key staff to children via their annual school reports. A socially distant welcome meeting was held for reception pupils. We are extremely pleased that our pupils have settled into the rhythm of school well, considering current restrictions in place. Parents and carers are welcome to contact school should they feel their child may require additional support with transitioning.
When do you anticipate a return to 'normal' school hours.	We continue to follow Government guidance. We will revert to a 'normal' school day once guidance permits and we will update parents and carers accordingly. We are pleased to report that to date school has consistently remained open for each 'bubble' and therefore the current restrictions are working sufficiently for Lee Brigg at this moment in time. We would ask that in order to maintain the safety of all that you continue to adhere to the restrictions in place.







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	Parents and carers are welcome to contact school should they feel that the current
	timetable causes conflict with a siblings setting.
When will hot school meals return?	We are pleased to announce that a hot school meal is now available for each child in main school.
	We would ask that parents and carers support in encouraging as many pupils to choose a hot school meal as possible.
	Please be assured that we have stringent cleaning regimes in place, which support our current whole school risk assessment.
	Parents and carers are welcome to contact school should they have any questions in regards to school meals.
Would you consider supplying additional number homework to pupils?	The main driver for the work that we ask to be completed at home is reading and spelling. This is due to the fact that evidence cites these areas as pivotal pre-requisites to support all other areas of learning.
How can parents and carers support children further at home?	We will however, be re-commencing our times table challenge in the spring term. Additionally, we would like to draw your attention to the overviews on our school website, which can be revisited at home, should parents and carers wish to continue to
nome?	support their child's learning.
	http://www.leebrigg.wakefield.sch.uk/parents/how-we-teach-calculations
	http://www.leebrigg.wakefield.sch.uk/parents/how-we-teach-phonics
	http://www.leebrigg.wakefield.sch.uk/parents/how-we-teach-reading
	We will shortly be sending out information in regards to supporting reading further at home (in lieu of our usual parents face to face reading meeting) and will consider the same approach for maths should restrictions continue at the current level.
	Parents and carers are welcome to contact school should they have any questions in regards to supporting learning at home.
Why does the school not offer online events and lessons?	This is an area which we continue to consider should there be requirement going forwards or should a second lockdown resulting in school closure occur. At present, there is not requirement for online lessons, as pupils have returned to full time learning
	at school. Safeguarding and e-safety are our first consideration– there have been many reports of online platforms being hacked and owing to the fact that 'online teaching' is a new concept to the Lee Brigg family, we will not make a decision which could jeopardise
	the safety of our pupils, staff and stakeholders. The national lockdown in March was executed with little notice to schools. We continued to support our pupils using Oak National Academy, BBC Bitesize and by a
	regular supply of paper based work for those who preferred. We have now started to use a Waterton Academy Trust approved platform to conduct
× 1	virtual assemblies in school, and have used this opportunity to discuss e-safety further with our pupils
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	Waterton Academy Trust are working with schools to further develop this platform over the coming terms.
Has the school considered a whole school challenge?	We are excited to announce that as part of our 'character and wellbeing charter' in school, which develops our children beyond academic content, we have launched the 'Lee Brigg Award' This award involves providing opportunities for our pupils during each academic year, to take part in challenges that promote 'care for our community' and 'care for our world.' The award centres on these aspects, as well as teaching independence skills specific to the age of the child.
Can my child take part in clubs and activities at this school?	Many parents were unsure as to whether clubs and activities are offered at Lee Brigg. We continue to offer activities within our bubbles; however, our after school club programme has not yet been able to recommence. Ordinarily, we would offer a range of after school clubs each half term and will look to reinstate these as soon as possible. Details of previous after school clubs can be found on our website: <u>http://www.leebrigg.wakefield.sch.uk/children/after-school- activities</u>

Where issues or specific queries have been highlighted (and where individual children identifiable), this information has been passed on to the appropriate class teachers or senior leaders for comment. If you have raised specific concern anonymously, or do not feel that your concerns or comments have been addressed and would like to discuss matters further, please contact Miss Kilkenny or Miss Gordon.

Thank you to all parents and carers for their comments in the parent survey, we were really pleased with all of the positive feedback that we received.

The next parent survey will be issued in the spring term, however if you have any comments or feedback in the meantime please do not hesitate to email <u>leebriggadmin@watertonacademytrust.org</u>.

Many thanks,

Gordon.

Sarah Gordon Executive Headteacher







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