

# Waverley Junior Academy

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## Parent Questionnaire Results

Dear Parent / Carer,

You may recall before Christmas we sent a link to a questionnaire. We were very grateful to receive 143 responses. From those we were able to calculate percentages, compare these with schools nationally and act upon some of your comments to make our school a better place. These are detailed below:

Q1 – My child is happy at this school

	<b>Strongly agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>	<b>Not Applicable</b>
WJA	89%	11%	0%	0%	0%	0%
National	61%	30%	5%	3%	1%	0%

Q2 – My child feels safe at this school

	<b>Strongly agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>	<b>Not Applicable</b>
WJA	88%	11%	0%	0%	1%	0%
National	62%	29%	4%	3%	1%	0%

Q3 – The school makes sure pupils are well behaved

	<b>Strongly agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>	<b>Not Applicable</b>
WJA	65%	30%	1%	0%	4%	0%
National	48%	38%	8%	4%	2%	0%

Q4 – The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year

	<b>Strongly agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>	<b>Not Applicable</b>
WJA	54%	36%	7%	1%	2%	0%
National	47%	37%	11%	4%	2%	0%

Q5 – The school has high expectations for my child

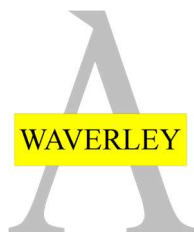
	<b>Strongly agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>	<b>Not Applicable</b>
WJA	59%	33%	2%	0%	6%	0%
National	48%	37%	7%	3%	6%	0%

Q6 – My child does well at this school

	<b>Strongly agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>	<b>Not Applicable</b>
WJA	66%	30%	0%	0%	4%	0%
National	53%	36%	6%	3%	2%	0%

Q7 – The school lets me know how my child is doing

	<b>Strongly agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>	<b>Not Applicable</b>
WJA	57%	33%	6%	0%	4%	0%
National	47%	39%	9%	3%	1%	0%



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Q8 – There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school [info@waverleyjunioracademy.org](mailto:info@waverleyjunioracademy.org)

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WJA	59%	32%	0%	1%	8%	0%
National	51%	40%	4%	2%	3%	0%

Q9 – My child can take part in clubs and activities at this school

	<b>Strongly agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>	<b>Not Applicable</b>
WJA	62%	28%	5%	0%	5%	0%
National	56%	35%	4%	2%	3%	0%

Q10 – The school supports my child's wider personal development

	<b>Strongly agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>	<b>Not Applicable</b>
WJA	60%	32%	1%	1%	6%	0%
National	46%	35%	9%	4%	7%	0%

Q11 – If my child has been bullied, school has dealt with it quickly and effectively (optional)

	<b>Strongly agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>	<b>Not Applicable</b>
WJA	26%	20%	0%	1%	0%	53%
National	9%	10%	6%	5%	8%	63%

Q12 – If you have a child with Special Needs (SEND), does school gives them the support they need to succeed (optional)

	<b>Strongly agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>	<b>Not Applicable</b>
WJA	33%	4%	0%	0%	0%	63%
National	45%	25%	13%	13%	4%	0%

Q13 – If I have raised concerns with the school, they have been dealt with properly (optional)

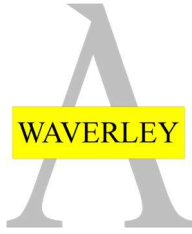
	<b>Strongly agree</b>	<b>Agree</b>	<b>Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly disagree</b>	<b>Don't Know</b>	<b>Not Applicable</b>
WJA	54%	23%	3%	1%	19%	0%
National	35%	21%	8%	6%	2%	28%

Q14 – I would recommend this school to another parent

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
WJA	99%	1%
National	87%	13%

We also received a large number of positive comments, some of which are shared below:

*'Staff have gone above and beyond this year to ensure the new school was set up and ready, for the children to start on time. Every effort has been put in place to keep the children as safe as possible. I receive excellent communication from the school and also my child's class teacher. She enjoys her learning at school and is always very well cared for. Many thanks to all the staff for the extra lovely activities they have arranged for the children, especially with Christmas being very different this year.'*



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*'My daughter loves going to school! She loves her teachers and is very happy within her class. She has lots of lovely friends and feels settled here. She has come on so much with her writing, reading & building her confidence up with thanks to the wonderful teachers!'*

*'We have been really happy with our decision to send our son to Foundations@Waverley. We feel like he gets so much out of his days there and the team put so much effort in to providing varied and relevant activities. His key worker is always lovely and chats to us about his day.'*

*'We have noticed the difference in our son since starting at Waverley Academy. He really enjoys coming to school, is engaged and enthusiastic about things and often explains to us what he has been doing at school, giving us facts that he has learnt. His teacher has been absolutely fantastic and supportive and has really got to know him and what additional support he needs in certain areas and all of this in a considerably short period of time, whilst in a new school set up!'*

*'Wonderful learning. My son enjoys practical learning and the online systems subscribed for practice and homework. My son loves going school and has 100% attendance.'*

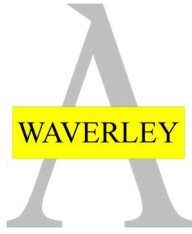
*'I am feeling extremely positive about my son's time so far at Waverley school. My children are very happy and as a parent I really appreciate the extra mile all staff have gone too to settle them into school. My son's confidence has increased tenfold and this shows with the improvement's he has made since starting at this school. I would also like to praise the school for the communication we receive, I find the reminders of events very helpful and the weekly newsletter is very informative and warming to read at the end of the school week. Thank you very much to all the staff. I think this school really takes into consideration every child's different needs. My son's teacher has grasped his needs so quickly. Amazing school.'*

*'Wonderful school with very hardworking teachers and staff, making every effort to provide best to students in every field.'*

*'Thank you for all your hard work so far. The Friday updates on Facebook with photos from the week are great to see and help us to get a bit of a feel for what's going on in nursery.'*

*'All the staff in my child's room have been so welcoming and lovely. My daughter really enjoys coming to nursery and has settled in really well. I see good progress in her each week. I'd like to thank all the staff for their hard work.'*

*'The school is outstanding and you should all be proud of what you have achieved in such a short space of time. After going through a school appeal and luckily getting our 2nd choice at your school I can honestly say I am so happy I didn't win my appeal as the school has excelled in all expectations. Opening a brand new school during a pandemic and achieving what you all have is phenomenal. I feel at ease dropping my son off at school which is a huge thing for me so thank you for the support and making my son happy.'*



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We also received some constructive comments. We have grouped them to summary statements below:

We would like to be able to pay / transfer money directly to school, rather than paying in cash

*I 100% agree, this was a large (and annoying) teething problem which we faced the first term. Hopefully this has now been rectified and all parents can pay for breakfast club, school lunches, sponsorship events, school visits (when they begin), etc using the payment app.*

*We are still facing the challenge for our FS0 and FS1 of paying through the portal and for that I apologise.*

We would like to know more about what our child will be learning each week

*When leading Waverley one major consideration is the work-life balance for staff. It is very important for me that staff balance the time they spend working and the time they have with their families. I believe this is important for your children too, as I want them taught by passionate, enthusiastic teachers and TAs who are fully refreshed and happy to be at work. At Waverley, I believe we get this balance right – shown by how happy and content the staff are and ultimately how they convey this love for learning onto your children.*

*However, I do think we could do a little more to inform parents of the following week's learning. I've taken this to staff and in their usual enthusiastic way we will be starting the following from this week:*

*At 3pm on Friday of every week, each class teacher will post a short video saying how that week's learning has gone and explaining the following week's learning, alongside some suggestions of activities which could be done at home. For FS0 and FS1, their video will be emailed to parents. For FS2 to Y6, their video will be on google classrooms. We will see how this goes initially and will work with you to review this towards the end of the Summer term.*

We would like more communication about English and Maths

*We have added a number of useful links and documents on our website. If you click*

*<http://www.waverleyjunioracademy.org/index.php/curriculum> We have sections called 'phonics', 'reading', 'writing' and 'maths'. We also have class pages on our website and we regularly update the events page.*

*We hope that the lessons delivered on Google Classrooms over lockdown have aided understanding of how we teach English and Maths and that each teacher's Friday video, will help this too.*

Foundation parents requested an App for communication and learning updates

*Heidi Oxley (the Nursery Manager) will be in touch with the FS parents in the Summer Term with updates on this.*

Once again, as we work together to make our school a better place, we thank you for your time in responding to the questionnaire. These questions will be repeated yearly and Ofsted (when we are inspected) will ask you the same questions.

Thanks,  
C. Keeton  
Principal