

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2024

**Parent survey responses**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your recent responses to our annual parent/carer survey – the results are always so interesting and helpful in our drive to continually improve. This year we have been very pleased to see a significant increase in positive survey results compared to last year. Delightfully, 100% of respondents agreed or strongly agreed with the statement that my child is happy at this school, a further 100% of parents who completed the survey felt the school makes sure pupils are well behaved and 100% felt that any concerns they may have raised are dealt with properly. A recent pupil survey response also reflected these improvements with 100% of the pupils surveyed selecting that they agreed or strongly agreed that behaviour in lessons is good and 100% of pupils selected that 'bullying is not a problem at West Vale Academy'.

We have worked incredibly hard this year on the personal development of our children, some of the ways we have done this has been through our careers week, forest schools, money workshops and mental health workshops from our MHST team. We are thrilled to see that 100% of parents feel the school supports their child's wider professional development.

We also pride ourselves on our club offer. We aim to provide as many non-paid for clubs as possible to ensure all children have the ability to attend a club. We were very happy to see from our survey this year, 100% of parents felt their child can take part in clubs and activities in school. We also map out a variety of different clubs in order to nurture the talents and areas of interest for all our pupils. Last year, feedback from parents was that they wanted more sporting clubs, we responded to your comments by providing various clubs such as karate, football tag rugby, gymnastics, and many more.

Your responses will give us aspects to consider moving forward for school improvement. There was a variation of responses around the range of subjects we provide and your knowledge on what your child will learn throughout the year. We do produce a learning letter for each class at the start of each term detailing what we will cover in each subject and staff sent out class timetables to support parents understanding of the subjects however, we will review these documents and consider alternative ways that we can communicate this information with you to ensure you are aware of the fantastic curriculum offer we have at West Vale. Furthermore, at times, a few respondents replied that they 'neither agree nor disagree' about some statements. If you would like more information about anything at West Vale Academy, please do not hesitate to contact us or make an appointment via the school office, visit our website or speak to staff at pick up– we are always happy to help.

As ever, we really do appreciate and acknowledge the honour of being a leader at West Vale Academy – we are incredibly proud of our children and their hard work and determination. We are committed to driving the school from strength to strength and could not do this without your support.

Thank you all.

Miss Horsfall, Mrs Akroyd and Miss Vincent

Senior Leadership team

