**S1 Parents Information Evening Questionnaire feedback - Thursday 1st November 2018**

* Number in Year Group 177
* Number of parents attending 141, 80%
* Number of parents completing questionnaire 61, 43%

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| **Survey Questions** | **Strongly Agree** | **Agree** | **Disagree** | **Strongly Disagree** | **Don’t know** | **National % Agree/**  **Strongly agree** | **Cathkin High** |
| My child is happy at school | 35  60% | 23  40% | 0  0 | 0 | 0 |  | 100% |
| My child knows where to go for help and advice whilst at school | 31  54% | 26  45% | 0  0 | 0 | 1  1% |  | 99% |
| The school responds to any concerns I raise regarding my child | 32  56% | 15  27% | 1  1% | 0 | 9  16% |  | 83% |
| I am happy with school | 38  66% | 19  33% | 0 | 0 | 1  1% | 83% | 99% |
| My child is progressing well in their learning | 34  60% | 22  39% | 0 | 0 | 1  1% | 86% | 99% |
| The school has high expectations of my child | 29  52% | 21  38% | 0 | 0 | 6  10% | 81% | 90% |
| My child receives the help they need to do well at school | 33  59% | 23  41% | 0 | 0 | 0 | 81% | 100% |
| I receive the information I need to judge whether my child is making good progress | 23  40% | 29  51% | 0 | 0 | 5  9% | 81% | 91% |
| I receive advice on how to support my child’s learning at home | 26  46% | 22  39% | 2  4% | 1  1% | 6  10% | 70% | 85% |
| The school takes my views into account when making changes | 22  39% | 20  36% | 2  4% | 1  1% | 11  20% | 59% | 75% |

Please feel free to comment below about any aspect of this evening. If you disagree/strongly disagree with any of the above, we would be most grateful if you could provide some details or suggestions for improvement.

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| **Comment**  **8 Responses, 13% of those who completed the survey**   1. So far, S1 has been great for my son. 2. Good so far. 3. Would be good if we had the opportunity to see all the subject teachers? 2 nights of parent consultations? 4. Very well organised. All helpers friendly. Time keeping excellent. 5. If parents night could be more than once per year once in each term would be perfect. 6. As my child’s English teacher has been off sick it would have been helpful for someone else from the dept. to provide a brief update on their progress. 7. Few improvements but all well and good. 8. Early days but impressed with teachers so far. | 3&5 Unfortunately, time is limited and teachers have 24 available appointments in any given Parent/Carer Evening. As some teachers can have several classes in a single year group, with as many as 180 learners overall, you will appreciate the practical problems involved.  The government agrees the time set aside for Parent/Carer Evenings nationally. As this forms part of teacher’s terms and conditions of employment, we can only have a fixed number of evenings each year. This equates to one per year per year group.   1. If you would like an update in your child’s progress, please contact your child’s Pupil Support Techer. |

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| **What one thing do we do well as a school?**  **22 Responses, 36% of those who completed the survey**   1. Offering lots of choice and clubs for the children. 2. Making them feel welcome and at ease. 3. Engagement session with parents. 4. Make everyone feel welcome! 5. There seems to be a good balance between academic attainment and pastoral care. 6. Very respectful atmosphere love that a strong emphasis is put on wearing uniform. 7. Encourage and know each individual pupil. 8. Good communication about school X 7 9. Well organised. 10. Very respectful atmosphere. 11. Keep parents informed of all going on. 12. Text contact is great to prompt parents with events. 13. Talking to parents. 14. Keep parents in formed of events, Praise Cards and keeping the website up to date makes it easy to plan around. 15. Find issues and deal with them quickly. 16. Support the child well. |  |
| **What one thing could we do better as a school?**  **12 Responses, 20% of those who completed the survey**     1. Differentiate lessons better for more able students. 2. Don’t know yet. 3. Nothing X 2 4. Do not know yet. 5. N/A very happy. 6. Really liked the ParentMail from previous year. It would be really great to have again. 7. Remove all branded clothing from uniform (expect jackets) eg, jumpers should be plain. 8. More tables at lunchtime. 9. Push more able students harder. 10. Provide support for learning at home. | 1&9 We try to meet the needs of every learner by providing differentiated work that matches the pace of their learning. The school’s SQA results show that our most able learners are performing exceptionally well and our university entrance is above the national average.   1. ParentMail will be reinstated this month. 2. We are aware of some of the issues that can arise because of wearing branded clothing. However, we are restricted in how far we can control parental decisions in the clothing that children wear to school. 3. We are currently reviewing the provision of seats for learners at lunchtime. As the school currently accommodates more learners than it was designed for, space is at a premium in all aspects of school life. 4. An outline of how to support your child’s learning at home is given in all subjects and can be found on our website in each faculty page. We will also be holding an S1&2 Study Skills Evening for Parents/Carers on Wednesday 28th November 2018. |