



Aitkenbar Parent Survey- October 2016



As part of the school's evaluation process, we regularly ask parents for their opinions and we welcome suggestions for improvement. Since we have just moved into the new school, it is really important that we hear your views. Please take a moment to complete this survey. If you disagree with one of the statements it would be helpful if you could explain your reasons on the back of the sheet. All surveys are anonymous, unless you would like a response, in which case we need your name.

	Please tick the relevant box	Strongly agree	Agree	Don't know	Disagree	Strongly disagree
1	My child enjoys learning at school	70	24	2		
2	My child talks positively about school at home	61	26	6	1	
3	The lessons are varied and interesting	57	35	3		
4	My child is making progress	57	33	3		
5	I am kept informed of my child's performance	56	37	1	1	
6	The standard of teaching is high	66	24	4	1	
7	My child is well cared for at school	71	20	2		
8	My child is fairly treated at school	66	24	3		
9	Staff know my child as an individual	62	26	7		
10	I receive regular information about the school	59	32	1	2	
11	I am confident that if I raise a concern it will be dealt with	65	27	3		
12	Teachers deal effectively with discipline	60	26	5		1
13	The school is welcoming to visitors	72	22			
14	The school has a good reputation in the community	70	22	2		
15	The school is well led	73	20			
16	Overall I am happy with the school	70	23			

General comment / suggestions for improvement - Parents Comments

- Would be good to get pupils coursework home for a weekend to view every couple of months rather than wait to see it at parent's night or end of year.
- All seems good so far.
- No need for improvement.
- Scott is enjoying Primary 3 and loves being in Mr MacLetchie's class.
- Up until now I have always been made welcome, I think the staff are great and try to do their best to make the most of what the children's strengths and weaknesses are. Very happy!
- Keep up the excellent work!
- Parking, disabled spaces (more of).
- Vehicle access for parents to drop children off.
- Safety for kids outside on the main road and parking facility for parents.
- More fencing to stop people crossing at Barrwoodhill to get into pupil entrance.
- Deal with the children in both schools and stop telling kids that are getting bullied to stop telling tales.
- Parents meeting and reports could be done later in the year to let teachers have more time to assess children.
- No blind in the classroom. Sun shines directly in child's face. More information for parents about child's learning/ projects/ homework.
- Playground very wet/muddy when it rains & concerns r.e. climbing wall, no soft landing and wall is ruining my sons shoes/clothes because he's climbing up the wall.
- Mud in playground when wet.
- None at all. Keep doing what you're doing. 4 kids 3 schools, Aitkenbar is by far the best.
- Bins moved from centre of playground.
- I find all your staff friendly and helpful.
- I am happy with my son's progress.
- Any questions I have raised I have had great help.
- My girl seems to be thriving at school. Loves it and is always keen to keep up what she's been learning at home.
- My daughter has enjoyed her 1st year and start to P2 and looks forward to school.
- Overall brilliant school and staff. Son loves it and truly enjoys going to school.
- I would like more written information instead of consulting the website.
- No concerns with any aspect of teaching. Very happy.
- In heavy rain the water and mud cascades over the tarmac towards the slabbed area. More drainage required!
- None that I can see thus far.
- Please can it be put to the council to have more bollards and fencing outside school to stop so many parents parking on the pavement. It is dangerous and an accident waiting to happen. I know this is not a school problem, but it does need urgently addressing

Please let us know what you think of the new campus - Parents Comments

- It's bright, airy, well designed and generally just brilliant. It's amazing the impact a building can have on a person hence why our child talks about it and positively!
- The open layout & use of light makes a great environment for the children to learn & progress. It has a safe and secure feel to it.
- Well laid out, modern. Lovely teaching staff.
- I am very pleased with the new classrooms and area around the class as this is welcoming and looks a good environment for the kids to learn in. I think the outdoor space is also really good with lots of space for activities for the children.
- No doubt there will be teething problems, but overall it works fantastic for children to be educated.
- Open plan set up is very good.
- Fantastic new school.
- Bright and welcoming. Parking could be better (more children using zebra crossing).
- Very nice kids, seem to be settling well. New teacher kids like too.
- The new campus is very much child friendly and welcoming. The idea of inter-connecting classes with no doors is very well planned. Can only add to the welcome open atmosphere of the school.
- Well laid out, opened and spacious learning space.
- I think it's a great set up.
- The new campus is beautiful. Both my boys love it.
- Very nice - first time I've been in the school - impressed.
- Seems nice but I haven't really seen much. This is my 1st time seeing the school. My child seems to like it.
- The school is very bright and welcoming. Both children talk about all the new wonderful things the new school has to offer.
- Very nice, I think the wall climb is a safety issue as there is no soft landing.
- We are happy with the new campus and think that the new facilities will benefit all the children in their development
- The campus is great. It is modern, new, clean, and welcoming. All the staff are great and easy to communicate with.
- Good size but I think the two separate schools could cause problems as we had problems with St Peter's kids bullying other kids and vice versa.
- Good facilities & high tech. balcony & outside areas.
- The new school is brilliant.
- Very bright and welcoming for the children and adults. Lots more space and great they have outdoor classroom.
- I am happy with the new campus.
- Excellent.
- The new campus is fantastic. Bright and cheerful.
- Really nice spacious new school.
- Great school.
- Excellent new building. The only part I think needs to be improved is at the playground entrance. The mud from the hill washes down and the parents and children get very muddy (when it rains). The wall needs to be extended to the inside gates.
- Lovely. (Except the stairs at the back leading to the pitch which I think look dangerous).
- It is bright, welcoming and a lovely learning space.
- Modern, nice layout.
- I think the school is amazing & makes me want to go. So glad it was the nice new school for her starting.
- Playground is going to be a hazard in the winter. Classrooms are brilliant.
- School has a good layout, a lot of space within the school grounds. Facilities within school seem to be at a high standard.
- Lovely!!!
- I think this school is fantastic ☺
- Lovely & bright. Well presented.
- The new school is fantastic. What a fabulous place to have in the community and it is great for all of its pupils
- It looks lovely and classes are a great size still unsure about not having doors on classroom but not seen too much of a problem so far.
- Very smart, very secure. 100% satisfied with the safety aspect of the school. Looks beautiful.
- The new school is fantastic, the classrooms are well laid out and the big playground is great for my daughter to meet friends in other classes. The only issue she raised is that it's warm in the class, but we've just changed what she wears and she hasn't mentioned it.
- The new school is a lovely bright environment for the kids to learn in.
- Friendly environment for adults & kids. Good facilities.
- I think that the new campus is great and will be a great place for my son to learn.
- Great! Bright and welcoming.
- I think the campus has been well thought out and at accessible levels for the children.
- Very nice. Kids love it - especially the climbing wall.
- Do not like the stairs up to the pitches. Do not like the climbing wall.
- Very nice campus, facilities look well equipped.
- I think it is well built and very bright & open. Wish I had a school like this when I was at school.
- I think the new campus is amazing. The only issue I strongly disagree with the wall climbing - damaged shoes after 1 month.
- Looks good, few teething problems but to be expected.

- Lovely and welcoming with great facilities
- Lovely & bright. Spacious. Appealing to the children. Excellent!
- I think the school is great.
- The new campus is a fabulous place for the children to learn, play & explore.
- I think that the campus is friendly to the child and is also attractive to the child through use of bright colours which will help children learn comfortably.
- The new campus is very large & is clearly up to date with the latest technologies.
- The transition to the new campus has gone well.
- Brilliant, bright and welcoming and kids love it.
- Lovely.
- The new campus is great. It's very modern and bright. Kids have settled in well and really enjoying the new facilities.
- The new campus is lovely - well lit (bright). Lovely for the kids to learn in. teachers lovely. Pleased with learning.
- Having had little exposure to it, apart from the outside it's difficult to say but our daughter loves it; she comes home from school every day with a smile on her face and is eager to get to Aitkenbar every morning. She's learning a lot & we both feel she is being challenged.
- Very impressive and long overdue. The new environment and layout is very modern and hopefully the children will take pride in the building.
- I am very impressed with the new school and the facilities that are available for the children
- The new school is beautiful; we love the open plan learning spaces. We are very lucky to have such amazing learning spaces.
- The new campus is a very bright and positive learning environment. The classrooms are clearly well equipped and there is a range of resources to be responsive to different learning styles. The outdoor areas are also a great addition.
- Not sure at first, but have come to change my mind as my daughter is very pleased with the new school and the new layout.
- Excellent! Very welcoming and great facilities.
- Really like the new campus but would like to know what areas apart from playground where both Aitkenbar & St Peter's are encouraged to mix and integrate. Would be good to witness some of the new technology that pupils are using in the new school.
- Looks great from the outside & inside. Very impressed with all the technology to aid the children's learning.
- The new layout and textures are positively good. It makes you feel welcome the school being open planned.
- The campus is great for the children, it will benefit from the new layout.
- Seems well laid out, not sure how quiet it would be with open plan though.
- I think it's really good signed and everyone is really helpful. It's spacious. I'm really happy with the school