



**St Lawrence's Primary School  
2018  
Parents  
MMG Survey Feedback**

**October 2018**

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Dear Parent,

Earlier this year, I commissioned an independent, confidential 'experience' survey of all St Lawrence's Primary School parents and students (Years 5 & 6) and staff as part of our commitment to continually monitor and improve the quality of education we provide to our students.

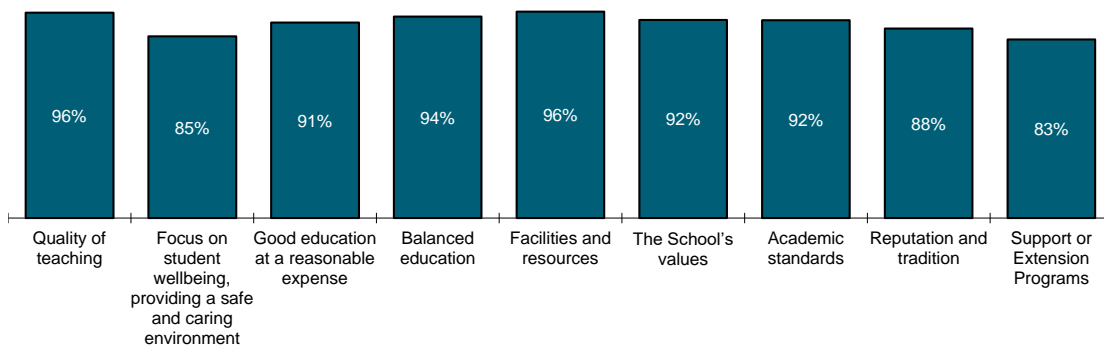
We greatly value the views of parents, students and staff. This information is most important for the School for our operational and strategic planning as well as tracking changes in our performance.

For the 2018 review, a total of 182 parents and 125 students and 57 staff completed the survey. We are most grateful to parents for their time and effort in assisting us with this important initiative.

The surveys were extensive and covered in excess of 300 aspects in relation to education at the School.

The following charts detail the percentage of parents who noted their expectations had been met or exceeded across key areas, ranked in order of the importance they placed on these same areas when choosing a school. For example, 96% of parents noted their expectations had been met or exceeded for 'Quality of teaching' – the most important area noted.

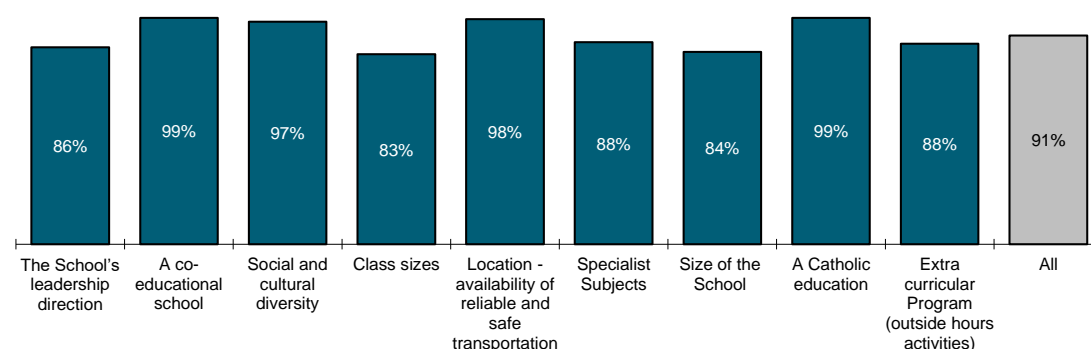
2018 St Lawrence's Primary School Parents - Expectations Met/Exceeded - First 9 (n=182)



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Percent Expectations Met/Exceeded

2018 St Lawrence's Primary School Parents - Expectations Met/Exceeded - Next 9 (n=182)



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Percent Expectations Met/Exceeded

Overall, we are very pleased with the results. However, there are areas identified where further attention will be given to such areas as teaching and learning, aspects of religious education, aspects of student wellbeing and extra-curricular.

Parents also provided valuable 'open responses' on a number of areas. These responses added greatly to the value of the review. In response to the question about what they valued most about the School, parents noted many aspects of life at the School, including:

2018 St Lawrence's Primary School Parents - What do you value most about your association with the School? Top 10 Nominations		
	n	%
Quality of teaching	24	30%
Sense of community	14	17%
Child enjoys going to school	13	16%
Well-rounded education	13	16%
Parent involvement	9	11%
Effective communication	7	9%
Friendly environment	7	9%
Student wellbeing	7	9%
Values instilled in students	7	9%
Catholic faith	6	7%

We wish to thank the 2018 parents sincerely for their feedback and for the extent of information and quality of views expressed.

Attached is a small sample of some of the 'open ended' comments from parents in relation to what they valued about their experience with the School.

We wish you and your family the very best for the future and hope St Lawrence's Primary School will remain to be a special place for you and your child and we wish you all the best for the years ahead.

Sincerely,

Mrs Therese Asplin  
Principal

## **Extracts of Parent quotes in relation to what they value about St Lawrence's Primary School**

*My association with the school is being able to do parent help with my children and seeing what they are learning at school.*

*The after school care program run on site at St Lawrence's is a significant factor for some parents in choosing this school. My experience with them is that they reinforce strongly the ethos of the school, and are a big part of why my daughter is so happy at school - she knows she has these other positive role models on site after school who care for her. Maintaining the relationship with this external care provider who uses the school's facilities should be a priority for the school.*

*On a whole I feel very happy with our school. My children are always happy to go to school and have every year loved every teacher they have had.*

*The strong sense of community among the parents who work together to make the school a better place for their children.*

*The morals it encourages amongst children.*

*Respect and value the school.*

*The environment provided for my child to learn and grow.*

*There are genuine hard working teachers who give so much of themselves to the school and it is clearly their vocation to teach and be dedicated to their students. The administration is friendly and approachable. The school has always had a wonderful spirit about it and I hope it retains this. Seeing the different generations of families coming through. There is a lot of love for the school. It is lovely to see children attending with their cousins and extended families.*

*Community spirit / Likeminded parents and teachers that value all aspects of education / I have been extremely happy with all of my children's teachers and teacher aides / Proud to send my children to St Lawrence's*