



Dear Parents,

We have had another busy few weeks-with lots of brilliant learning going on across the school. It has been fantastic to see some high quality art work, excellent PE and some thought-provoking history work across all year groups. Our older children also have benefitted from working with some outside agencies to consider equality and diversity which demonstrated what considerate children we have in our school.

At the end of April, we had an assessment linked to our work with all stakeholders linked to emotional wellbeing and mental health. I'm really pleased to tell you that we met the criteria set out within the programme and were accredited with the Wellbeing Award for Schools. The criteria for accreditation were developed in partnership with the National Children's Bureau and are designed to ensure that accredited schools are a place of emotional wellbeing and support by improving mental health provision for all pupils and staff.

Our recent **parent survey** was well supported with 194 responses. The results of the survey can be found by following the link below.

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The responses provided offer us the opportunity to consider how we are doing in the eyes of our families and celebrate positive feedback but also consider areas that we could further improve on.

- ✓ 99.5% of respondents stated that their child is happy at Whiston Willis.
- ✓ 99.5% of respondents stated that their child is safe at Whiston Willis.
- ✓ 99.5% of respondents believe that the school encourages good behaviour.
- ✓ The vast majority of respondents state their child has not been bullied. Of those who indicated that they believed their child had been bullied, 92% stated that it had been dealt with effectively.
- ✓ 96.6% of respondents believe concerns are dealt with effectively.
- ✓ 97.7% of respondents believe that school has high expectations of their child.
- ✓ 96% of respondents believe their child's special educational needs are met by school.
- ✓ 98.9% of respondents believe that their child does well at Whiston Willis.
- ✓ 93% of respondents believe that they are suitably informed of how their child is doing at school.
- ✓ 97.3% of respondents believe that there is a good range of subjects on offer at Whiston Willis.
- ✓ 97% of respondents indicated that the school supports their child's wider development.
- ✓ 99% of respondents would recommend Whiston Willis to another parent.

(percentages do not include respondents who offered 'don't know' as a response)

We are really pleased with the overwhelmingly positive view of our school provided by our parents. Receiving regular feedback allows us to evaluate and reflect on our day to day work and consider how we can improve further. Based on the findings, we are planning on ensuring that we offer:

- Clear and concise information on our curriculum offer and how we support wider development of our pupils.
- Ensure parents know exactly how their children are doing and our expectations of them.

Today signals another step along the government roadmap in the easing of restrictions. Please see the additional letter sent from Knowsley Council. We do still ask that parents continue to wear face coverings on school premises and we will continue to maintain our measures outlined in our risk assessment to reduce the risk of transmission in school.

Thank you for your continued support,

Ian Cooper

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