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Dear Parents,

2017 Parental Survey

Thanks to all parents and carers who took the time to complete the recent survey expressing your views about Chestnut Lane School. This year we had 76 responses (41%) meaning nearly half of you have shared your feelings about the School. Although we would wish for more responses we know this is a greater response than many schools receive.

We are delighted that everyone felt the school is well led and managed and that you would recommend it to others. In addition, the survey showed an overwhelmingly positive response to all the questions. The results can be seen on the following pages.

There were a few areas where parents' responses or comments would benefit from some feedback:

- **Mid-Year Report** - We noted and appreciate the feedback on the Mid-Year Reports. Interestingly the recent feedback we are receiving on the End of Year Reports is very positive. Staff will be reviewing the whole process and it's likely we will repeat this reporting style but will be discussing parent consultations versus workshops.
- **Bullying** - We are really pleased that the vast majority think that behaviour is good. However, please do talk to the class teachers or Mrs Plimsaul if you have any concerns.
- **School Trips** - Teaching staff are currently planning new topics and will be researching opportunities to take the children on more trips that complement the curriculum.
- **Keeping Parents Informed** - At Chestnut Lane the children are involved in lots of super activities and we are aware that parents don't always get the chance to join in. Therefore we plan to redesign our newsletter format to share with you more of what the children are doing in school.
- **Sport** - We will continue to purchase the services of Playball for all classes next year and Mrs Douglass continues to provide dance for everyone so the school delivers more than the required curriculum specification. Just a reminder that judo and yoga lunchtime clubs will carry on in addition to playball, judo, tennis and, new for 2017, football after school clubs for the older children. All club information can be found on the website. Early years children have access to the balancability bikes on the main playground most afternoons.

If you have any follow-up questions to the survey, we will be happy to oblige. Mrs Plimsaul has an open door policy so please do not hesitate to speak to her.

If anyone would like to speak to me or any of the other governors please make contact via the school office.

If any parent (or grandparent) is interested in supporting the work of the school there are several ways of doing this. We welcome regular volunteer helpers in the classroom but please sign up for a DBS first. Please speak to your class teacher initially.

The Governing Body is a group of volunteers who oversee the running of the school. Please drop a note into the office if you are interested in finding out more about the work of this important group of people as we are always on the lookout for new governors, whether they are a parent at the school or not.

Finally, as we approach the summer holidays, we wish you and your children the happiest of breaks. For those not returning in September, we wish the leavers every success in their new schools.

Kind regards.

Yours faithfully,



Steve West
Chair of the Governing Body

