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## Dilkes Academy

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you once again to everyone who participated in our recent parent consultations and responded to our questionnaire. Your involvement is invaluable, and it is truly rewarding to collaborate with you in maintaining the high standards we strive for with our pupils.

We deeply appreciate your continued support and look forward to working together to ensure the best possible outcomes for your child(ren). Your feedback is highly valued, and the staff are genuinely grateful for your thoughtful and encouraging words.

The table below outlines the percentage of parents/carers who agreed or disagreed with each statement:

	Agreed
My child is happy at Dilkes Academy	98%
My child feels safe at school	98%
Dilkes Academy makes sure its pupils are well behaved.	99%
The school makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year	98%
The school has high expectations for my child	100%
My child does well at this school	100%
The school helps me to support my child's learning at home.	96%
The school meets my child's particular needs, including their special needs	96%
There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school.	99%
My Child can take part in clubs and activities at this school	93%
The school supports my child's wider personal development.	95%
The school takes account of my suggestions or any concerns I may have.	94%
The school is led and managed effectively.	96%
Overall, I am happy with my child's experience at this school.	99%

**Here are a few comments from parents/carers highlighting the excellent features of Dilkes Academy:**

*Always positive feedback from my child and great academic results. Professional, friendly and great environment.*

*Good learning experiences. The school gives my child a good education experience.*

*The greatest strengths of the school are professional staff and amazing teachers. The school is effective at communicating.*

*The greatest strengths are communication, carrying parents along the journey and the meal menu is now collaborative.*



*The daily reading and analysis and communication with parents are strengths of the school.*

*There is a real determination to get the children to succeed. Both my children are thriving and love school, I'm proud of them.*

*Kind staff who clearly care about the children's well-being and know them well.*

*My daughter's teacher is approachable and always has time to listen to my concerns and help in any way she can.*

*The greatest strength of the school is its ability to strike a balance between the academic part of schooling and at the same time, promoting other activities like cross-country sports, trips, after school clubs and involvement in all things cultures.*

*I just wanted to say we have been lucky again this year to have an amazing teacher Miss Rodgers - who is a confident and happy teacher/leader and a fantastic role model to my daughter - she has built an amazing rapport with my daughter which has really helped her be self-motivated to interact and learn independently which is amazing.*

*Very good communication with parents. Always putting the children's education at the forefront first to help them achieve their potential*

*My child's adult is amazing- I cannot praise her enough with everything she does - as well as reception teachers!*

*Teacher and TA always helpful and supportive when have a concern with my child. I feel the school has a calm and relaxed environment for students to learn effectively.*

*The greatest strength is they focus on learning and get their children ready for the following year. This ensure that children who have the ability to move forward does move on and children who are struggling can be looked after to ensure they are able to finish the year in line with progress.*

*Everything is well organised and we are delighted to be part of this good institution.*

*The school is a well organised institution and the staff working here are making it really special. Everyone needs to be acknowledged. They put great effort in their work. Teachers are the greatest strength, they work hard!*

*The communications so far has been consistent, very much appreciate email reminders and updates on top of the regular published newsletter.*

*Thank you very much for all your help and support.*

**As well as the positive comments we also value constructive feedback and take on board the suggested areas for improvement. Where we feel it is appropriate as a school we will act on these accordingly.**

Yours Sincerely,



Mr R. Latham  
Headteacher

