# Parent Questionnaire October 2016 - 132 responses altogether.

My child enjoys school

The school keeps my child safe

My school informs me of my child's progress

My child is making enough progress at school

The teaching at the school is good.

The school helps me support the learning of my child

The school helps my child to have a healthy lifestyle

The school makes sure my child is prepared for the future

The school meets my child's particular needs

The school deals effectively with unacceptable behaviour

The school takes count of my suggestions and concerns

The school is led and managed effectively

The school offers a wide range of after school activities

Overall, I am happy with my child's experience at this school

Strongly Agree/ Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
99%	1%	
100%		
98%	2%	
99%	1%	
99%	1%	
97%	3%	
98%	1%	1%
99%	1%	
97%	3%	
96%	4%	
99%	1%	
99%	1%	
92%	8%	
99%	1%	

# Responses include:

#### Good Features of the school:

Wonderful teachers who care for the pupils and give outstanding teaching.

Leadership team are very approachable with any issues or concerns.

Very organised, any problems are dealt with rapidly.

Engaging, varied curriculum makes learning fun and enjoyable; children are engaged with their learning,

keeping them interested so that they learn more.

Teachers are very supportive but still push/drive the children.

Warm, friendly, approachable staff who are always very welcoming and available to speak to.

Good role models among teachers;

Close-knit community feel; Caring atmosphere in school.

Focussed committed teachers who care about all of the children.

The behaviour of the children and their relationships with the staff.

Opportunities to learn about other cultures.

Effective tailoring to individual needs, encouraging individual talents and personal development.

Fantastic facilities, including excellent outdoor facilities; Variety of play areas outside.

Great range of sporting activities and a good range of after school activities.

My child loves coming to school every day

The children get to mix regularly to share and develop ideas.

Great support; any additional needs are addressed rapidly.

All of the school is excellent!

Strong communication; Text service is invaluable

Intervention schemes work well. Useful pack of information provided to help support child at home.

Lovely displays of children's work.

#### An improvement I would like to see:

A more focused approach to the maths homework set across school.

Last year, we introduced a whole-school approach to Maths homework, with the introduction of Mental maths books. The aim is for children to apply their learning in a range of questions on a weekly basis. This contrasts with the approach of reinforcing maths teaching during that week. If your child finds the work too challenging, please allow them to work for the appropriate amount of time and then write in the book that they found it too difficult. This will enable the class teachers to identify areas of difficulty and provide further support.

However, we readily accept this feedback and have already begun to investigate alternative strategies for setting maths homework. Any changes will be communicated clearly to you in advance.

In the meantime, if you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to talk to your child's class teacher.

#### Help for children with homework

In case you were unaware, we hold two homework 'clubs' every week during Tuesday and Thursday lunchtimes. These
are run by senior members of our teaching staff who are available to provided support for children with their
homework.

### Online payment for lunches etc

- We have been investigating the use of ParentPay and similar systems and we are keen to implement a system in school. We will notify you about this as soon as possible.

Some meetings and achievement assembly are held at the same time as infant school pick-up

- We hold our achievement assembly on Friday afternoons so that parents are free to attend assemblies at Emscote in the morning. If you would like to collect your child early from Emscote and bring them to our assembly, please feel free to contact either or both schools to do so. We work closely across the federation and try to accommodate parents whenever we can.

#### To have a crossing patrol reinstated on All Saints' Road.

- We share your concern about the lack of crossing patrol on All Saints' Road. The patrol is organised and employed by the Local Authority rather than by school itself. Sadly, they have carried out a survey and decided that there is insufficient need for a new crossing patrol. Please feel free to contact the LA to complain about this decision.

#### A wider range of after school clubs on offer

We are adding to the number of clubs on offer all the time, both during the day and after-school. We are always looking at new options and will let you know as soon as any arrangements are made.
Miss Lampard, our PE leader, has worked very hard to organise a wide range of sporting opportunities for all year groups. Many of our children participated in the wide range of clubs and competitions run last year - including rugby, tri-golf, archery, tennis, sportshall athletics, rowing, amongst others. Our Year 6 children have already got the cross-country season off to a great start and we look forward to football and netball competitions as well as a new range of competitions for other sports in 2016-17.

## More sporting clubs in younger years

- We understand that some parents are keen for their children to be involved in competitive sporting activities in Years 3 and 4. Unfortunately, inter-school leagues do not currently exist for those year groups. We continue to investigate opportunities for activities through and across the Local Authority.

Thank you to everyone who completed a questionnaire - we welcome your views at all times. We look forward to welcoming you all into school again very soon and please come and speak to us at any time!