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Dear Families,

Parent/Carer Engagement Questionnaire Feedback

Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete our recent Parent/Carer Engagement Questionnaire. We received 56 responses, representing a wide range of views and experiences across our school community and are extremely grateful for the thoughtful and constructive feedback that was shared. At Mayespark Primary School we value our partnership with families and are committed to creating opportunities for parents/carers to engage with school life in ways that are meaningful, accessible and enjoyable.

We were pleased to learn that 92.9% of respondents reported that they always or usually feel welcomed and comfortable when attending school events. This is something we are very proud of and reflects the positive relationships that exist between home and school.

You said...

The survey helped us better understand some of the barriers that can prevent attendance at school events. The most significant challenges identified were:

- Work commitments (53.6%)
- Timing of events (33.9%)
- Childcare arrangements (17.9%)

We recognise that many families lead busy lives and that attending events is not always possible, regardless of interest or willingness to participate.

When asked about the types of events parents/carers would most like to attend, the most popular responses were:

- Family fun activities
- Community and cultural events
- Parenting workshops
- Open afternoons and shared learning sessions
- Coffee mornings and informal opportunities to connect with other families;

Parents/carers also told us that they would be more likely to attend events if:

- Events were child-friendly;
- More notice was provided;
- Childcare support was available where possible.

Many respondents also suggested that information about events should be concise and clearly explain the purpose of the event, what it will involve and how long it is expected to last.

We will...

What will we do next as a result of your feedback?

- Continue to provide a range of family-friendly events throughout the year.
- Aim to provide as much advance notice as possible when planning events.
- Continue to offer opportunities for children to share their learning with parents/carers.
- Explore ways of increasing flexibility, including considering online engagement where appropriate, varying the timings of events
- Consider how childcare arrangements can be factored into future planning.
- Include food with events

We were also delighted that a number of parents/carers expressed an interest in helping to shape future events. We will be in touch with those volunteers in due course.

Thank you once again for your feedback and for your continued support of our school. By working together, we can continue to strengthen our school community and provide the very best opportunities for our children.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs E Jones

Deputy Headteacher

