

Barnwell School Parental Questionnaire 2018-2019

The partnership between our parents and the school is vital to the success of the school. We would value your thoughts and opinions on the following questions to help us with our continuing process of self-evaluation.

Attendance – All = 80%

Completed questionnaires = 103

Year group: 7

	Question	Strongly Agree/ Agree	Disagree Strongly Disagree
1	My child has settled in well since starting at Barnwell	99%	1%
2	I have been impressed with the Transition process from primary school to Barnwell School.	100%	0%
3	I receive valuable information from about my child's progress	94%	6%
4	My child receives appropriate homework for their age	93%	7%
5	My child regularly logs on Show My Homework (SMHW) to ensure they complete all their homework	96%	4%
6	As parents, we regularly log on to SMHW to monitor my child's quality, quantity and completion of homework	96%	4%
7	SMHW is an effective tool to monitor the quantity and quality of homework	98%	2%
8	Barnwell School responds well to any concerns I raise	97%	3%
9	Barnwell School makes good use of social media to communicate to parents. (eg, SchoolComms, Facebook, Twitter)	97%	3%
10	The Barnwell School website is informative, easy to navigate and contains all the information that I require.	94%	6%
11	I regularly receive emails through SchoolComms	98%	2%
12	I know about the SchoolComms App ' School Gateway'	100%	0%
13	I have signed up to the Schools Gateway SchoolComms App	97%	3%

What aspects of the school have you been most impressed with?

- The additional transition before and during his first term have been brilliant and really helped my son settle in quickly.
- How everyone has supported my son and us at Barnwell. Thank you for making him feel happy and comfortable when coming to school.
- The teachers are brilliant.
- How welcoming and friendly all the staff and students have been. Positive points and the way we can monitor it easily on the app.
- Barnwell seems fun and caring and has helped my daughter adapt quickly to being in an English school. Thank you.
- My son has settled well, was a bit concerned about the high level of homework that he was getting.

- Transition was very good, encouragement is good and a friendly atmosphere for learning.
- My son's transition from primary school was a bit of an issue, but the staff have given him support and now he is secure with secondary life.
- Transition into senior school.
- We really love that the fact that her good behaviour and attitude to learning is not overlooked and the children get rewarded (theatre trip)
- Communication, Response times from teachers regarding concerns, Teachers are approachable, Liam would like to be considered for an ambassador role.
- My child had developed a lot since starting Barnwell and this makes me very happy.
- Transition has been really good, My son has settled in well and enjoys school.
- Teachers feedback.
- Teachers are great!
- The Schoolcomms and engagement has so far surpassed my expectations.
- Communication, support and advice.
- Communication via the school app that I am using on a daily basis.
- The way everyone looks out for the children, it appears the school really have my son's best interests at heart.
- Enthusiasm, encouragement and the transition
- The education
- Listening to our concerns and responding to them.
- Teachers are nice and easy to communicate with in case of any problems I have.
- Form tutor is very good, with quick responses to any concerns I've had.
- I am impressed with SMHW app however her homework's are not always grade.
- All Aspects are brilliant. Very pleased with communication, Thanks.
- Keeping my daughter focused.
- Everything!
- We are impressed with all areas of Barnwell.
- The support from teachers that my son has received
- Communication whenever I have had a problem between the school and me.
- With all the difficulties we are going through and have been the last 8 months. I am very grateful and thankful for all the help we have received. I also feel that my son has fantastic support. We are all very pleased with the extra help and understanding with homework. Thanks.
- My daughter had a problem with bullying after a small period of time it was dealt with quickly and followed up well. Thank you.
- Dealt with bullying promptly.
- Settling in, communication and open-door policy.
- I am very impressed with the transition process for my son and how his needs are being noticed and met.
- Fantastic transition program, Very supportive teachers and brilliant progress being made already.
- Politeness and Friendliness of ALL staff
- My child is coping well.

If you have disagreed with any of the statements in the questionnaire could you please elaborate in order to help us further improve our practice.

- I am not on any social media. Contacts other than the one from the PGL trip. But the regular email updates have been great as letters never seem to get home.
- Homework is a real concern for us. The sheer volume of homework set coupled with the unrealistic timescales on show my homework means that Liam spends vast amounts of his home / family time on homework. This is time that my son should spend with his family and relaxing. Please could this be looked at. We as parents are not saying that he shouldn't receive homework. It is just the volume and timescales that we feel. At this age that are unrealistic.
- As my child is in learning support I think regular updates should be given to parents. Since she started in September parents evening is the only update that we have had.

- Some teachers do not put the mark on SMHW. The school website is difficult to use, it doesn't contain details of dates like school performances or parents evening.
- We find the website a little hard to navigate and unclear where to find things.
- The website isn't updated at all. The Facebook page could give more info.
- Quality of homework cannot be measured well. As no feedback given on how to improve.
- I was not aware I could log in to check homework, however I do help if needed and check whilst its being done.
- I feel that there is too much homework. As parents we don't check my daughter's SMHW as we feel this is her responsibility to manage and we have no concerns.