

## Parental questionnaire: overall findings from the Senior School

### Response rates

In total there were 211 responses from Senior School parents. Broken down by which year groups respondents had children in, these were as follows:

Year group of children	Respondents
S1	34
S2	42
S3	21
S4	25
S5	34
L6	40
U6	41

(Note that the totals is greater than 211 because some parents have more than one child in the school.)

### Responses to each question

For each question, the percentage of respondents giving each answer to each question in each version of the survey were as follows. The mean score, based on assigning a number to the questions from 1 to 5, is also shown. The most common response is indicated in bold.

Question	Percentages					Mean
	1 - Strongly disagree	2 - Disagree	3 - Neither agree nor disagree	4 - Agree	5 - Strongly agree	
My son or daughter is making good progress	1	6	7	<b>53</b>	33	4.1
My son or daughter's Form Tutor knows them well	1	5	19	<b>42</b>	33	4.0
My son or daughter's Form Tutor cares about them	1	4	24	<b>41</b>	30	3.9
Birkdale offers a good range of subjects	1	3	9	<b>51</b>	35	4.2
Homework helps my son or daughter to learn	1	3	11	<b>48</b>	37	4.1
My son or daughter's academic progress is assessed adequately	2	6	12	<b>52</b>	28	4.0
My son or daughter is stretched academically	1	9	16	<b>44</b>	30	3.9

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	1 - Strongly disagree	2 - Disagree	3 - Neither agree nor disagree	4 - Agree	5 - Strongly agree	
My son or daughter has appropriate individual objectives set	2	13	30	<b>36</b>	18	3.6
The Parents' Meetings are useful	1	4	13	<b>50</b>	32	4.1
My son or daughter's reports are useful	2	4	3	<b>58</b>	33	4.2
My son or daughter is inspired by the teaching	3	7	19	<b>49</b>	21	3.8

Question	Percentages					Mean
	1 - Far too little	2 - on the low side	3 - About right	4 - on the high side	5 - Far too much	
The amount of homework my son or daughter is given is...	4	9	<b>73</b>	11	2	3.0

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	1 - Strongly disagree	2 - Disagree	3 - Neither agree nor disagree	4 - Agree	5 - Strongly agree	
The school communicates effectively about administrative matters	1	6	7	<b>52</b>	33	4.1
The school communicates effectively about academic matters	1	9	18	<b>49</b>	23	3.8
I am able to contact someone at school if I have any concerns	0	2	6	<b>50</b>	41	4.3
I can find information about the school easily from the web site	0	7	19	<b>51</b>	23	3.9
The school is responsive to telephone calls, emails and other communication	0	5	8	<b>48</b>	39	4.2
The school educates the whole person	4	6	10	<b>51</b>	29	3.9
The school gives my son or daughter good careers/University advice	1	7	<b>46</b>	28	17	3.5
The school gives my son or daughter good advice on choosing subjects	0	9	<b>43</b>	33	15	3.5
My son or daughter is happy at school	2	4	8	<b>51</b>	34	4.1
The extra-curricular activities offered help to create rounded individuals	3	7	14	<b>49</b>	27	3.9

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The school offers value for money	3	15	30	<b>39</b>	13	3.4
Birkdale being a Christian School helps promote pupil development	6	11	27	<b>36</b>	20	3.5
Birkdale being a Christian school matters to me personally	11	19	<b>32</b>	20	18	3.2
Pupils of all faiths (and none) are all welcomed and supported at Birkdale	3	3	13	<b>55</b>	26	4.0
As a parent, I feel I am part of the school	4	16	24	<b>45</b>	12	3.4
Pupils at Birkdale are generally well-behaved	1	3	16	<b>58</b>	21	3.9
Instances of bad behaviour are dealt with appropriately	3	11	23	<b>48</b>	15	3.6
Instances of bullying are sorted out effectively	2	9	34	<b>43</b>	13	3.6
There is a broad range of suitable extra-curricular activities available	2	8	13	<b>55</b>	22	3.9