



**Whitley Bay
High School
Newcastle
upon Tyne
England
Great-Britain**



Whitley Bay High school is situated in the North East of England on the coast, near to the large vibrant town of Newcastle upon Tyne. It is a large secondary school catering for 1613 students of which 556 are in the sixth form. The students follow a broad balanced curriculum and a high percentage of students go on to study at University.

The school promotes a collaborative approach to learning for students and staff and through a well organised and highly regarded training programme develops and trials new teaching techniques and adapts current educational research for use in the classroom. Following a recent Ofsted inspection the school was judged to be „outstanding“.





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The parent questionnaire was created in – house and analysed using excel spread sheets.

Pupil Questionnaire

General

Please answer the questions by selecting the most appropriate number.

In all questions:

1 = strongly agree

5 = strongly disagree

Thank you.

P.1 Sometimes our teachers teach a lesson together

1 2 3 4 5

P.2 Special achievements of a student are sometimes rewarded in front of all the other students (e.g. at an assembly).

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P.3 I like our school building and our school environment very much.

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P.4 Older students get involved with younger students, for example as classroom support

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P.5 The student council of our school is very active.

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P.6 Our school cooperates with companies and/or social institutions (e.g. old people homes, youth welfare office).

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P.7 Our school has an attractive and informative web page.

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P.8 We are often encouraged to make suggestions how to improve our school.

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P.9 We sometimes fill out questionnaires so that our teachers know our opinion about our school and the lessons.

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P.10 Please select one subject. My selected subject is:

IMPORTANT

Please answer the following questions only on the selected subject!

Think of the lessons of the last four weeks in this subject!

P.11 The teacher responds to ideas and suggestions of students.

- 1 2 3 4 5

P.12 The students treat each other with respect and in a friendly way.

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P.13 The teacher calls on each student in the class at least once during the lesson.

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P.19 We regularly use the computer during lessons and for homework.

- 1 2 3 4 5

P.20 The teacher regularly checks our homework

- 1 2 3 4

P.21 Please mark the statements that you agree with**What puts pressure on me or annoys me is**

- ... the time pressure in lessons
- ... problems and arguments with other students
- ... problems and arguments with teachers
- ... pressure from parents
- ... the amount of homework
- ... the difficulty of homework
- ... that classmates continuously disrupt lessons
- ... the fear of bad marks
- ... the level of difficulty of exams
- ... the competition amongst classmates
- ... the threat of violence from other students

P.22 Please mark the statements that you agree with!**What I think is good about our school is ...**

- ... the design and decoration of the school and the outdoor area
- ... the equipment of the school
- ... the support of the teachers
- ... how fair the students are treated by the teachers
- ... the reputation of the school
- ... the choice of optional subjects
- ... the approval of the students by the teachers
- ... that the teachers mark fairly
- ... the possibilities for extra-curriculum activities (e.g. school newspaper, theatre group etc.)

P.23 Please mark the statements that you agree with!**Generally I am ...**

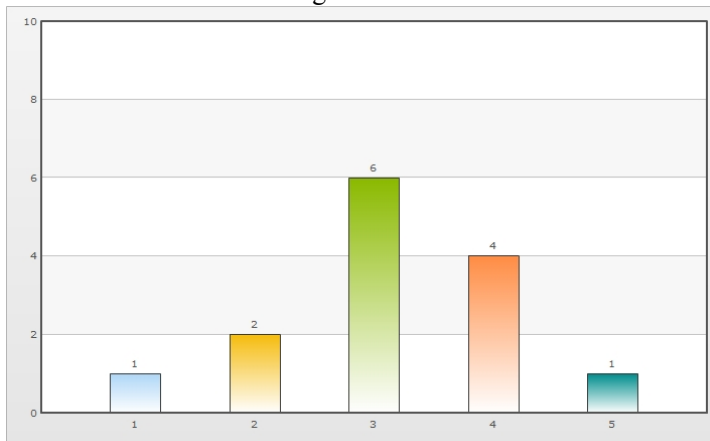
- ... happy with my class
- ... happy with my teachers

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.

Questionnaire Results

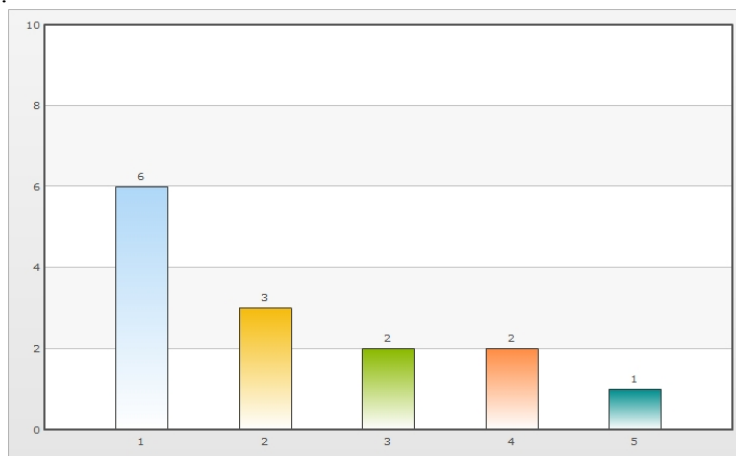
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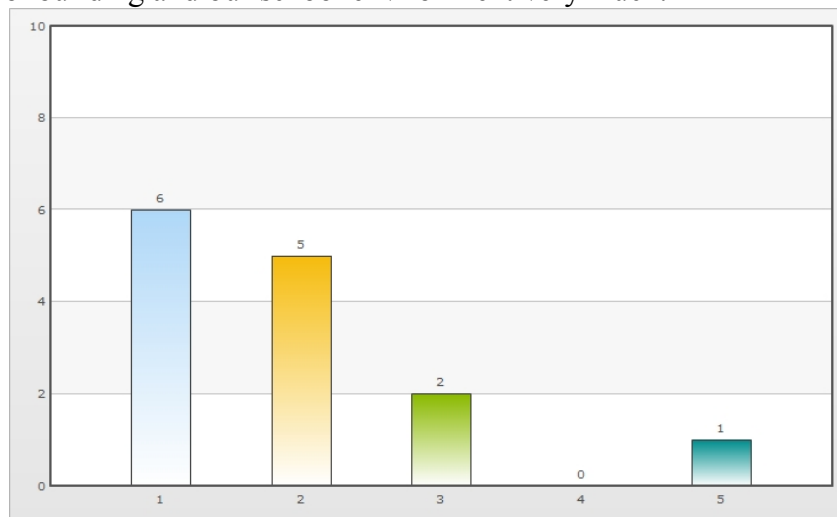
Collaboration is a key theme for our school so we will need to revisit this with the staff to ensure that collaboration in the classroom is visible and effective rather than just at the planning stage.

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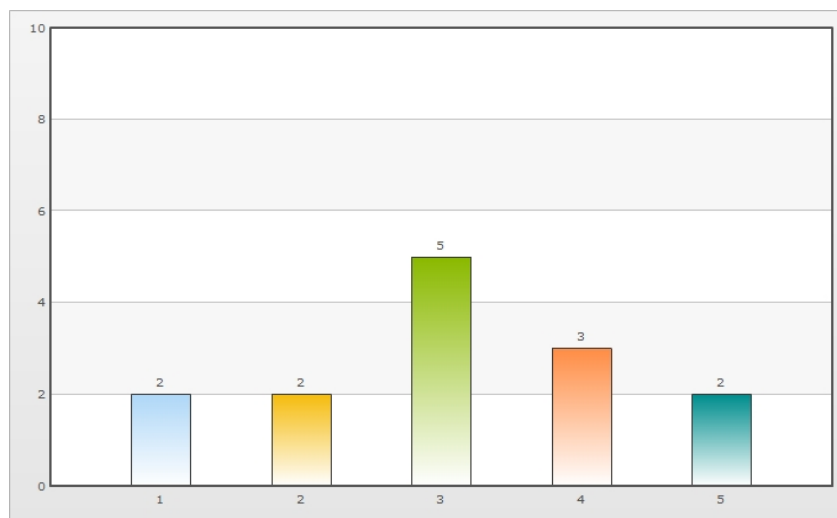
Pupils are recognised and rewarded and this is clearly understood by the students.

Q3 I like our school building and our school environment very much.



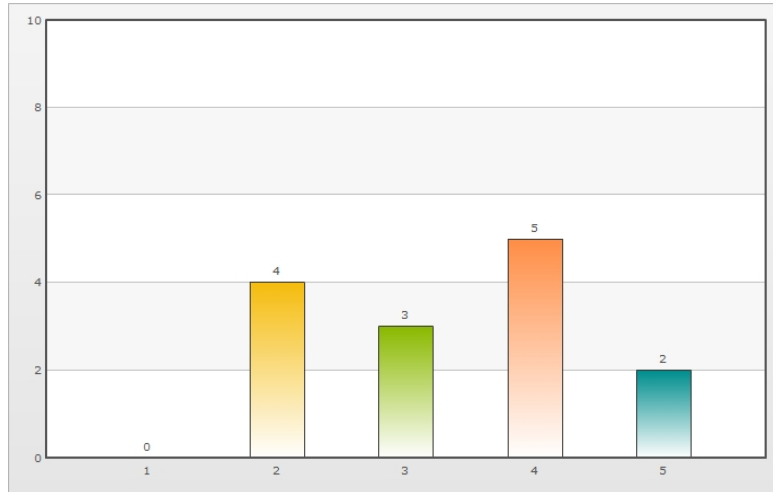
This result was a surprise as the buildings are pre 1970 and in need of updating. However we do try to keep the grounds maintained and employ a gardener and grounds man who has made a real effort to improve the environment. It is clearly appreciated by the pupils.

Q4 Older students get involved with younger students, for example as classroom support



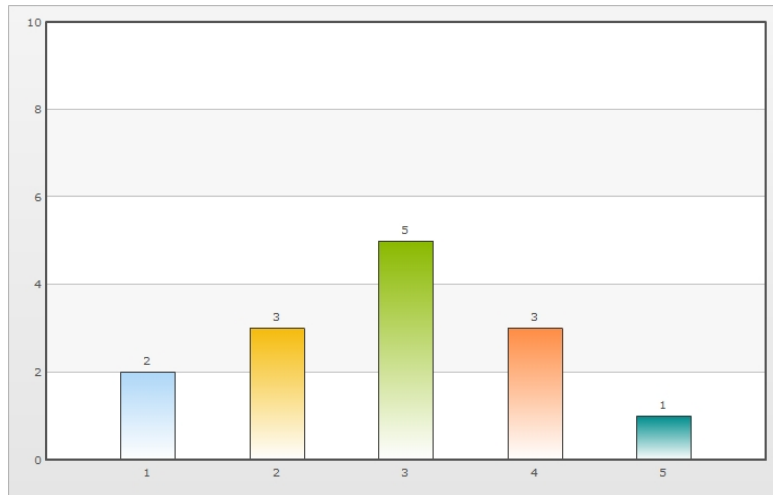
The school runs an additional programme for 6th form students of in class support and it would be expected that older students are very visible in the classrooms – we also have a 6th form of over 600 students therefore role modelling should be a high priority for our school .

Q5 The student council of our school is very active.

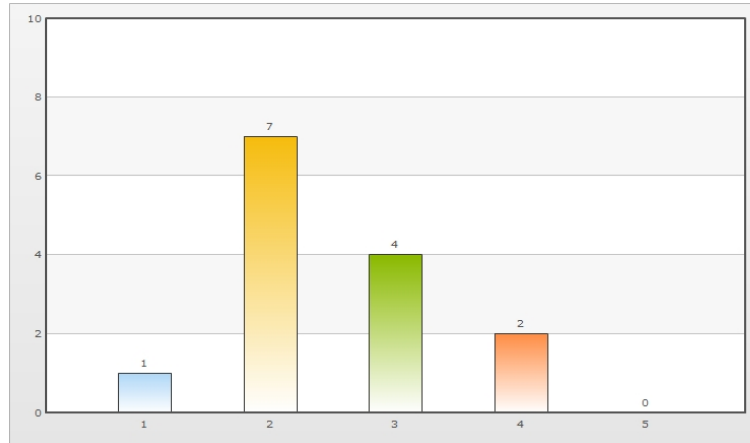


We operate a student forum and council meeting every half term which is attended by representatives from each year group. This is a disappointing result and one for immediate action.

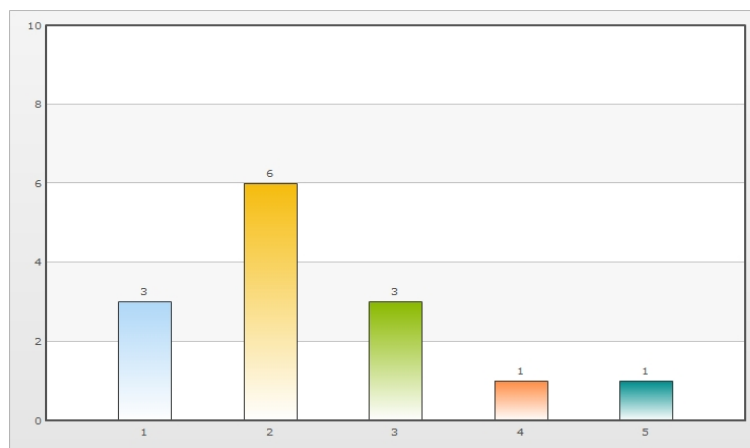
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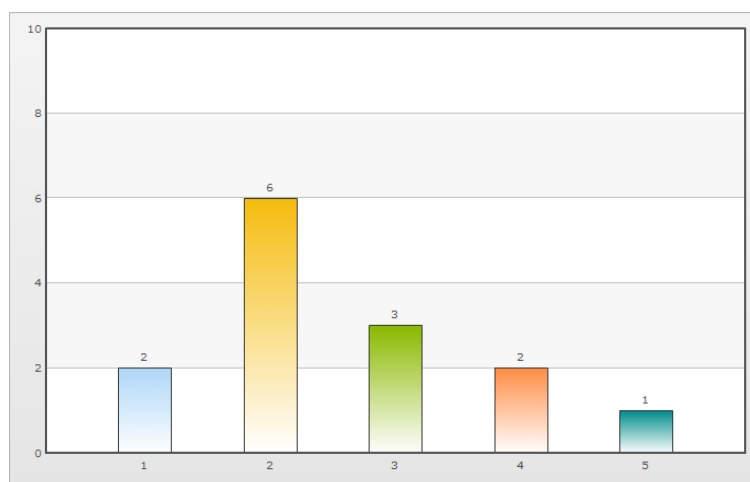
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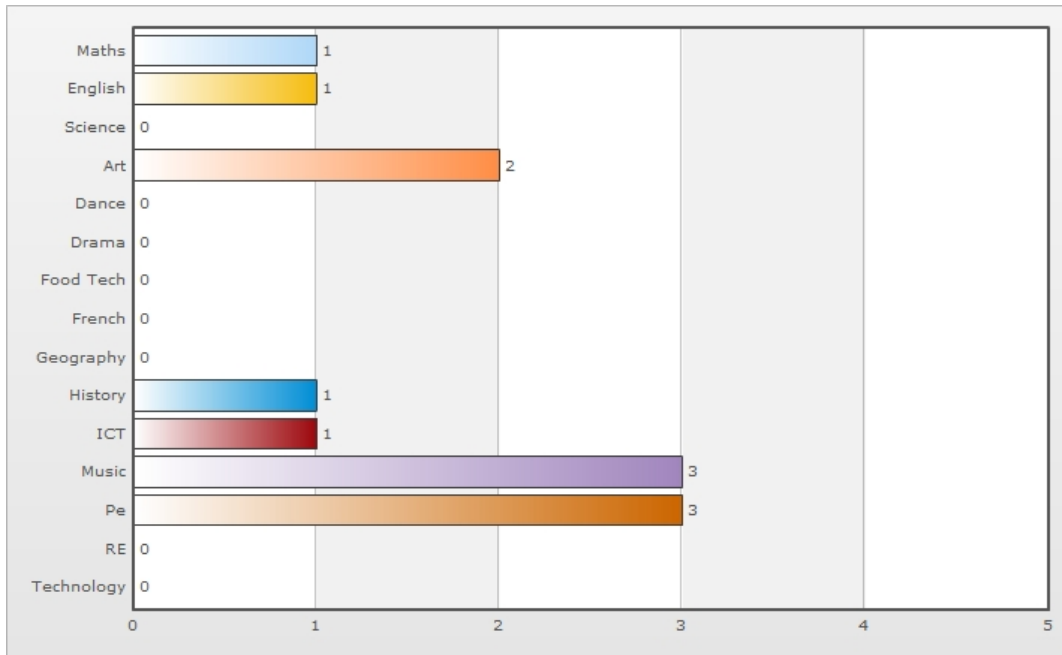
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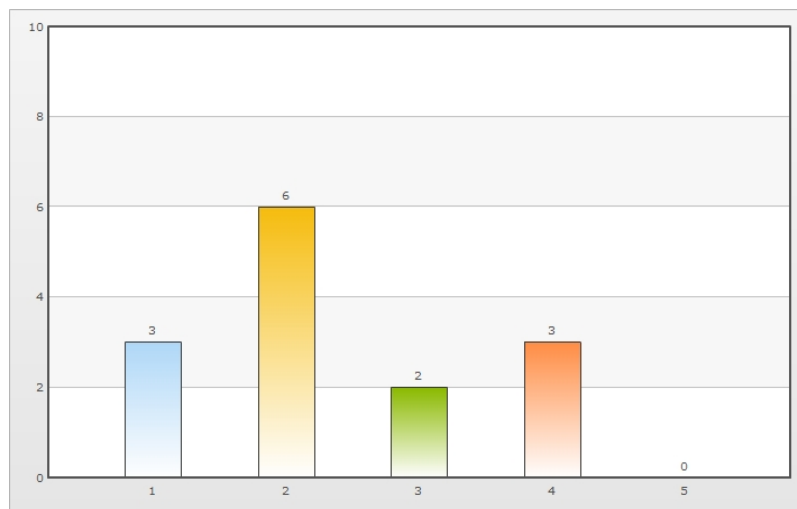
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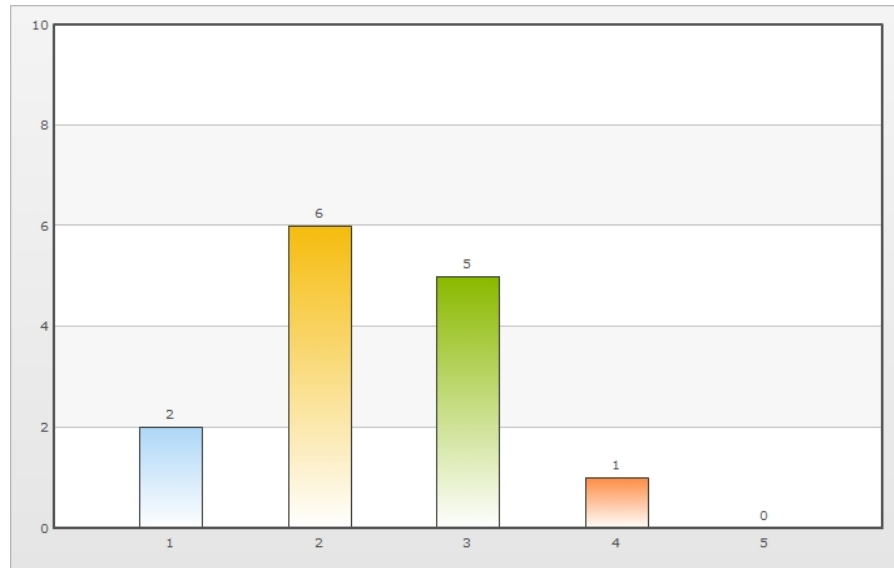
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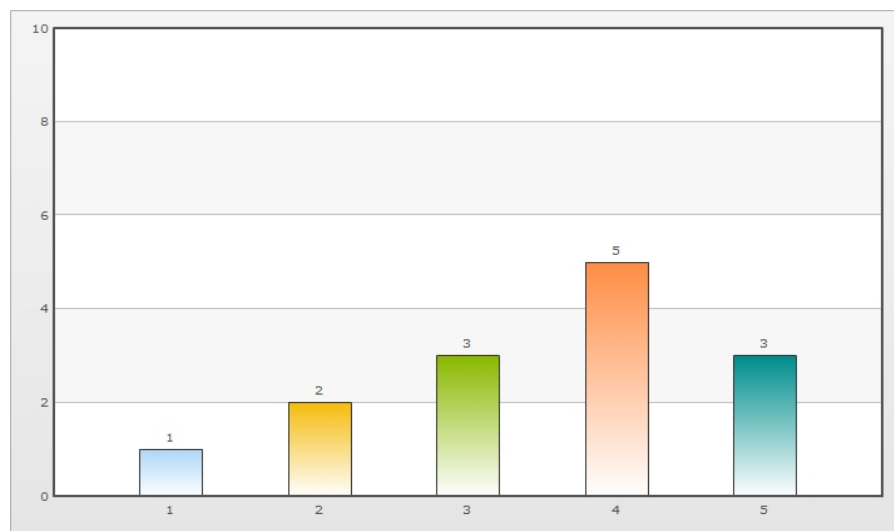
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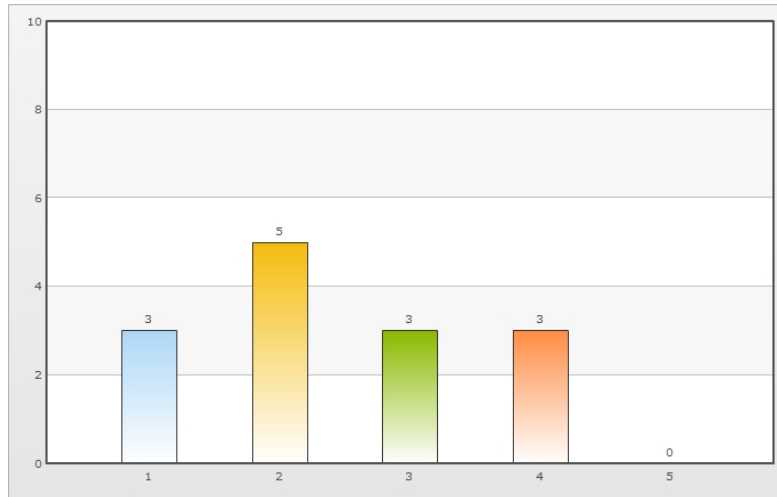


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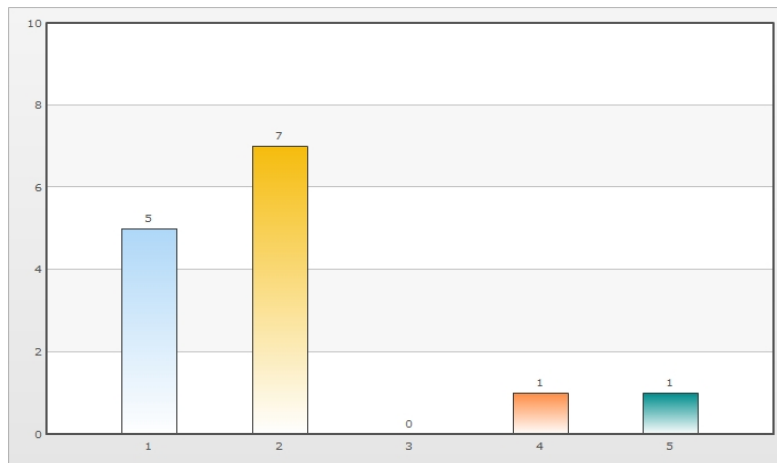


We are encouraged to put student talk and responses at the heart of our lesson planning – this is an area to revisit in staff training and to ensure that all children are being questioned throughout the lesson .

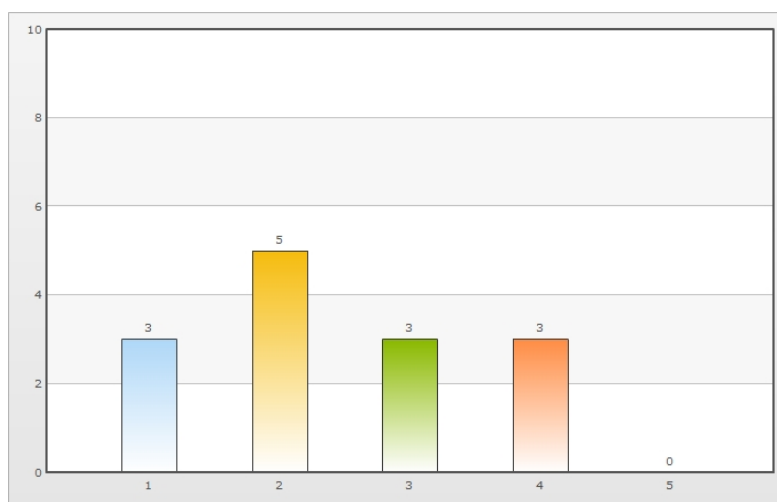
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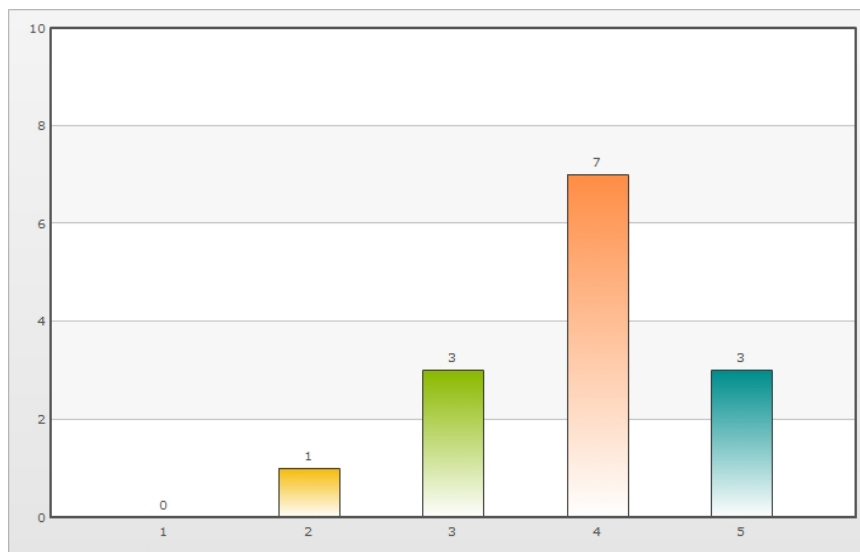
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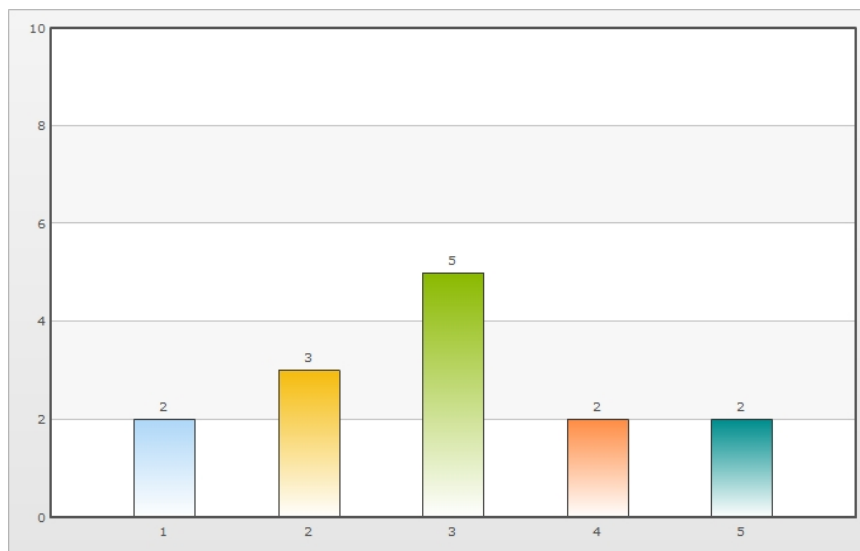


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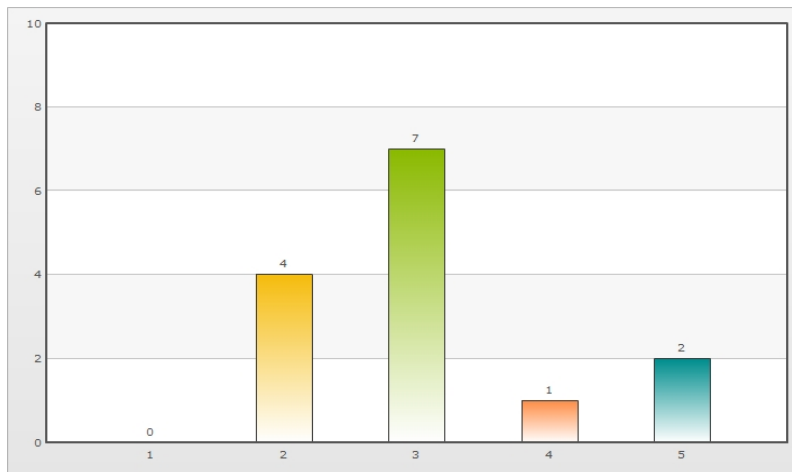


Differentiation is a key focus in successful teaching and learning. Therefore for lessons not to cater for individual needs is concerning. An item for staff training possibly?

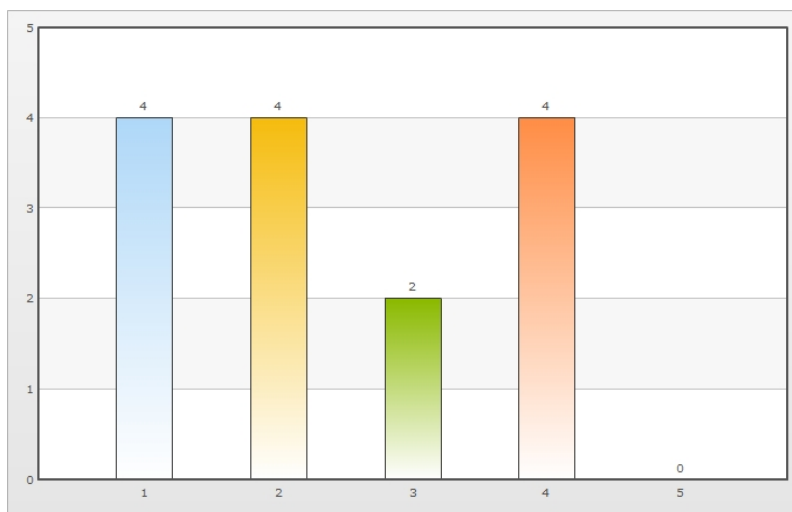
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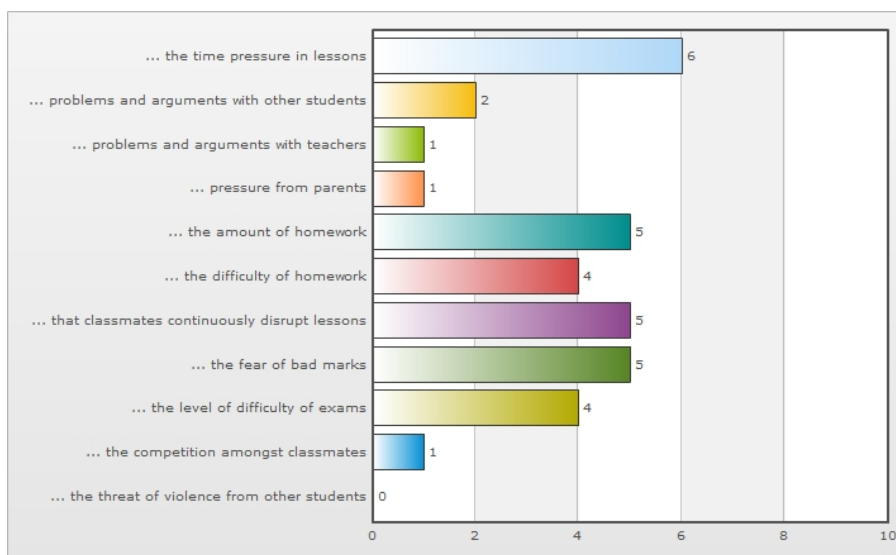
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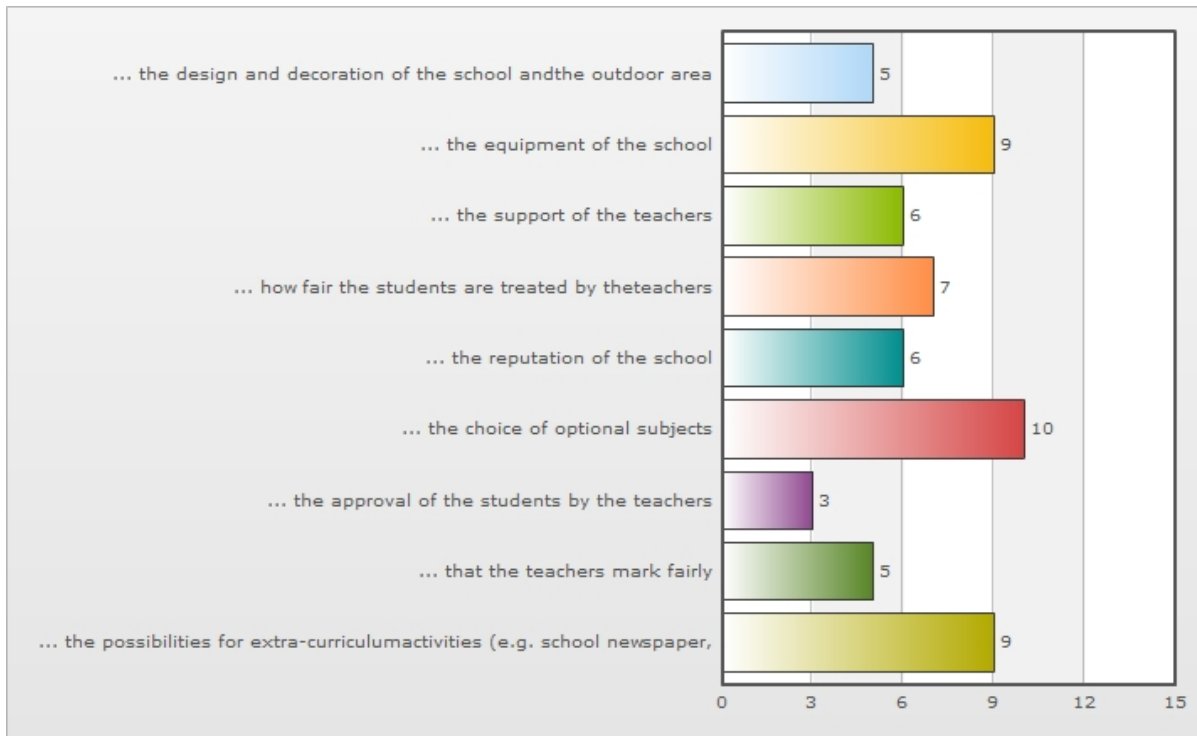
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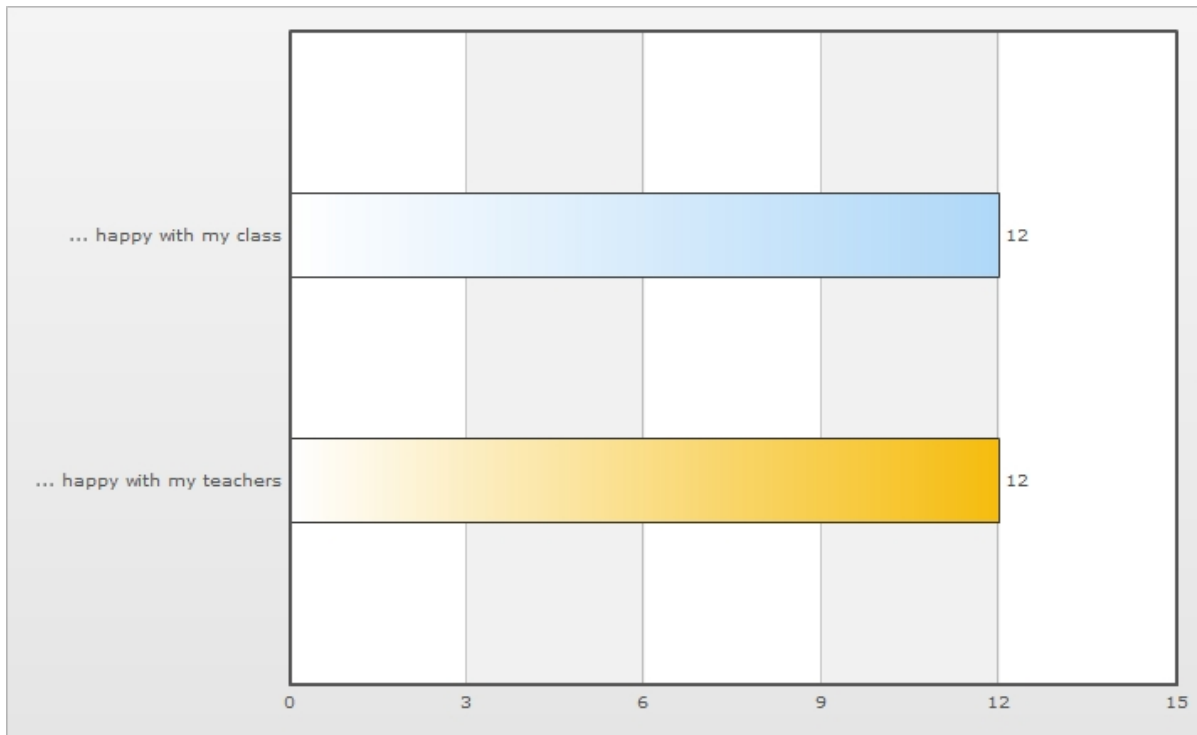
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Parents' Questionnaire

Agree Strongly Agree Not sure Disagree Disagree Strongly

My Child feels safe at school

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My Child is happy at school

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I am kept well informed by school about my child's welfare

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I am kept well informed by school about my child's progress

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My child enjoys learning at school

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My child receives good care in school

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The school is a welcoming place for parents

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School addresses my concerns promptly

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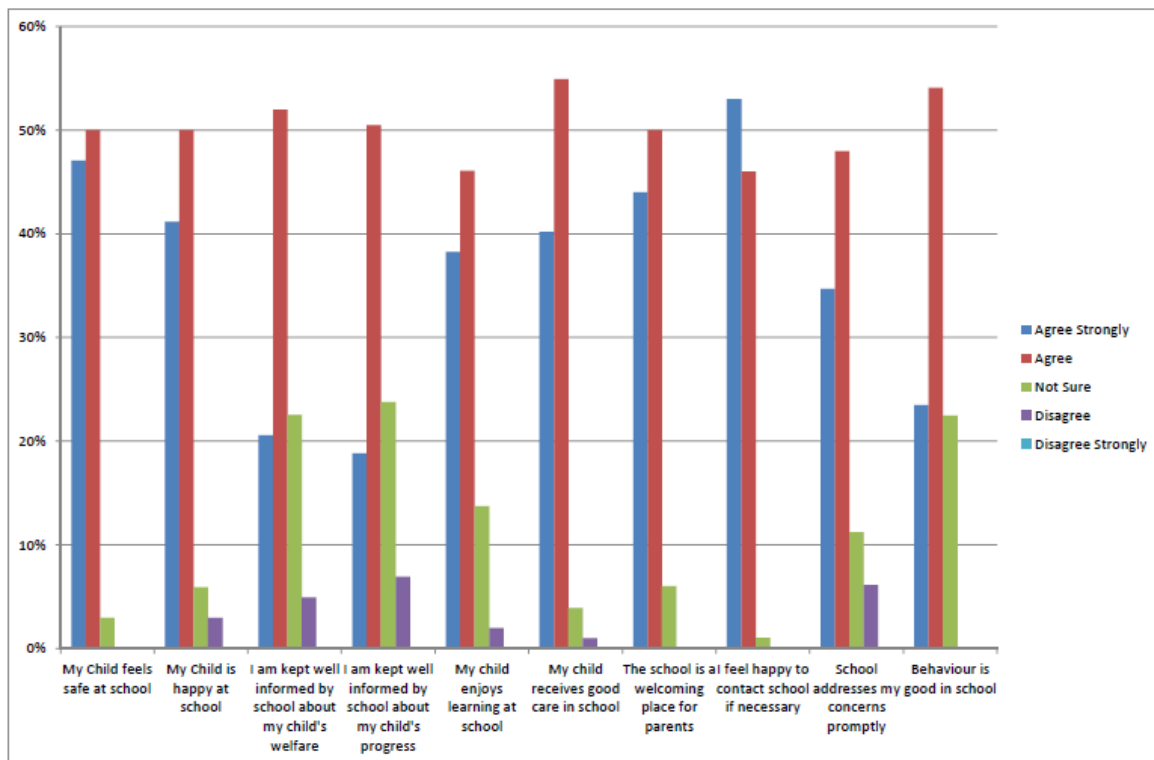
Behaviour is good in school

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Name of parent / student (optional)

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Year 10 Parents Questionnaire 2012



	Agree Strongly	Agree	Not Sure	Disagree	Disagree Strongly	Agree Strongly	Agree	Not Sure	Disagree	Disagree Strongly
My Child feels safe at school	47%	50%	3%	0%	0%	48	51	3	0	0
My Child is happy at school	41%	50%	6%	3%	0%	42	51	6	3	0
I am kept well informed by school about my child's welfare	21%	52%	23%	5%	0%	21	53	23	5	0
I am kept well informed by school about my child's progress	19%	50%	24%	7%	0%	19	51	24	7	0
My child enjoys learning at school	38%	46%	14%	2%	0%	39	47	14	2	0
My child receives good care in school	40%	55%	4%	1%	0%	41	56	4	1	0
The school is a welcoming place for parents	44%	50%	6%	0%	0%	44	50	6	0	0
I feel happy to contact school if necessary	53%	46%	1%	0%	0%	53	46	1	0	0
School addresses my concerns promptly	35%	48%	11%	6%	0%	34	47	11	6	0
Behaviour is good in school	23%	54%	22%	0%	0%	23	53	22	0	0

Observations from the parents' questionnaire:

The results show an over whelming satisfaction with the care and education that parents feel their children receive.

There are 2 areas that need further discussion – information that the school produces and the mechanisms in place to keep parents informed is an area in which improvements can be made. And secondly any concerns that are raised need to be more promptly dealt with. Systems need to be put in place to ensure a holding email / telephone call is made to ensure a swift response.