

Newtownhamilton High School Parent Survey (October 2011)

The survey contained 24 questions and a free response section for any additional comments. 50 responses (38% of families) were submitted over a 7 day period in October 2011 with the following identified:

- **96% of parents surveyed either ‘Strongly Agreed’ or ‘Agreed’ that their child was happy in the school.**
- **A total of 98% of parents either ‘Strongly Agreed’ or ‘Agreed’ that:**
 - *their child was well cared for*
 - *staff support sick or unhappy children*
 - *they were well informed about school life*
 - *the school provides opportunities*
 - *the Principal works hard for the school*
- **A total of 96% of parents either ‘Strongly Agreed’ or ‘Agreed’ that:**
 - *their child was safe and secure*
 - *written work is regularly marked*

Free Response

The ‘Free Response’ section also highlighted many positive comments from parents and indicated a very high level of satisfaction for the day-to-day running of the school.

Some suggestions for areas of improvement were identified and while some of these have since been implemented (eg purchase of school minibus and better after school hockey facilities) others are being considered by the Senior Management Team.

The very limited number of concerns raised have been considered and, where appropriate, acted on immediately.

Conclusion

Almost all of the 50 responses were extremely positive about the quality of education being delivered at Newtownhamilton High School. The small number of suggestions for improvement and issues of concerns that were raised have been discussed by the Senior Management Team – some of the stated comments have been found to be untrue, some have already been addressed while others will be listed as development priorities on the 2012/13 School Development Plan.

Finally, despite the positive feedback, Newtownhamilton High School will not stand still but instead will continue to identify areas for improvement in order to further enhance the quality educational experience for the pupils.

Thanks

A big thank you to all the parents that took the time to complete the survey – your views and opinions are appreciated and valued. As always, Mr Mullan and Mr Megaw welcome feedback on all aspects of school life and can be contacted either by telephone or email. Alternatively, an appointment can be made for a personal meeting.