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Dear Parent/Carer

A big thank you to all of you who completed a parent/carer questionnaire in February. There were 51 questionnaires completed which was a 35% response.

Following the questionnaire results we are currently planning next steps in response to any concerns or issues that were raised. The children also had an opportunity to complete their own questionnaires.

The children state they are happy and feel safe in school. A real strength the children identified was that they get help with their work and prefer to be taught at school rather than at home.

The parental findings have given a good insight into the areas you and the children feel are strengths and which areas need improving. We have listened to and analysed the feedback:

- 98% of parents feel welcome coming into or approaching school
- 96% feel that reading books are at the appropriate level to support children's reading at home
- 94% feel that their child/ren are happy and enjoy school

The main areas we identified to be developed were linked to homework and knowledge around the curriculum and what is taught in school. We appreciate that the pandemic has had an impact on the way we share information with you and you have had limited opportunities to come into school.

The following initiatives have been implemented:

Homework Books

Quite a lot of responses stated that you were not always sure about the best way to support your child with homework and you are not always clear about what they have to do. We have discussed this as a staff and feel that going back to books for homework will help parents/carers to see clearly what the children have to do and staff can also give guidance about how to work with or how to support your child. We will continue to supplement home learning with Showbie but the majority of homework will be on paper in their homework books.

Curriculum

We appreciate that parents have not been into school to see what the children have been working on for a long period of time. We are planning to have face to face parents evening this term so you can talk to the class teacher in person and see your child's books. This will give you a better overview of what and how the children learn which is set out in the curriculum newsletters and knowledge organisers in EYFS.

We always welcome any feedback and are constantly striving to make improvements at Burnside Academy. Please do not hesitate to contact school with any concerns or with suggestions for how we can improve further. We value your suggestions and comments.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs L Kelly