



Al Islah
Girls' High School

PARENT QUESTIONNAIRE RESULTS

SPRING TERM 2022

Thank you very much to parents and carers for completing the questionnaire and for your comments and responses about our school. We had 89 responses. We have compiled the results and are pleased to present them to you.

The results of this will be discussed and shared at the next governor's meeting and with staff so that we can make our school an even better place to be for pupils and parents. Parents' suggestions are gratefully received and will be considered as we set our school development priorities for the future.

	QUESTION	AGREE OR STRONGLY AGREE	DISAGREE OR STRONGLY DISAGREE	DO NOT KNOW
2	My child is happy at this school	95%	4%	1%
3	My child feels safe at this school	97%	3%	0
4	The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved	89%	9%	2%

	QUESTION	AGREE OR STRONGLY AGREE	DISAGREE OR STRONGLY DISAGREE	DO NOT KNOW	MY CHILD HAS NEVER BEEN BULLIED
5	My child has been bullied and the school dealt with the bullying quickly and effectively	38%	2%	12%	48%

	QUESTION	AGREE OR STRONGLY AGREE	DISAGREE OR STRONGLY DISAGREE	DO NOT KNOW
6	The school makes me aware of what my child will learn throughout the year	92%	6%	2%

	QUESTION	AGREE OR STRONGLY AGREE	DISAGREE OR STRONGLY DISAGREE	DO NOT KNOW	I HAVE NOT RAISED CONCERNS
7	When I have raised concerns with the school they have been dealt with properly	65%	8%	4%	23%

	QUESTION	AGREE OR STRONGLY AGREE	DISAGREE OR STRONGLY DISAGREE	DO NOT KNOW
8	The school has high expectations for my child	84%	4%	12%
9	My child does well at this school	91%	5%	4%
10	The school lets me know how my child is doing	88%	10%	2%
11	There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school	89%	2%	9%
12	The school supports my child's wider personal development.	85%	2%	13%

	QUESTION	YES	NO
13	I would recommend this school to another parent.	95%	5%

Our response:

Q2: My child is happy at school

Our response:

95% of parents reported that their child was happy at school. We would want 100% of pupils to be happy, so we will be conducting pupil interviews and talk sessions via the school council so that we can gain a deeper understanding from our learners about how to make improvements.

Q3 My child feels safe at school:

Our response:

97% of parents reported that their child feels safe at school. Safeguarding is such an important area and all children should feel safe at school. We will continue to seek children's views in discussions with them and respond to any concerns about feeling safe that they may have. If you have any concerns in this important area please come and speak to our DSL, Apa Hifza; safeguarding@alislah.org.uk

Q4 The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved:

Our response:

89% of parents agreed with 2% not knowing. We have worked even harder this year to further embed our values throughout the culture of the school. Every time children demonstrate these values they earn positive points! Each week in Assembly it will be announced which class has earned the most positive points.

Q5 My child has been bullied and the school dealt with the bullying quickly and effectively:

38% strongly agreed/agreed, with 48% stating their child had not been bullied and 4% did not know. If you do have any concerns regarding bullying, please come and speak to the school as discussed in our Anti-bullying policy. As a school we take any form of bullying seriously and take immediate steps to address it. This year we have also had assemblies in school by external speakers on the issue of bullying.

Q6 The school makes me aware of what my child will learn throughout the year:

Our response:

92% of parents agreed. Each year we update the curriculum plans on the school website for each year group. Please remember to read all the school emails and messages that are sent out and go onto the website to look at the curriculum areas and curriculum plans – all this information is here to enable parents to find out what the children are learning about throughout the year. www.alislah.org.uk

Q7 When I have raised concerns with the school they have been dealt with properly:

Our response:

65% agreed, 23% had no concerns and 4% did not know. 8% of parents disagreed. As a school we want to deal with any concerns in a prompt manner and in a way that satisfies all concerned. We recognise that not everyone will be happy in the decisions that are made regarding concerns involving their children. We follow protocols and procedures when dealing with concerns and do our very best to resolve concerns promptly.

Q8 The school has high expectations for my child:

Our response:

84% of parents stated that we had high expectations for their child with 12% stating they don't know. We have high expectations of all our children and want each and every child to do their best at all times. Our school motto is 'Respect, Educate, Achieve'. We will talk to parents if we are concerned that your child is not trying their best in class and teachers will employ a variety of strategies to support children if this is the case.

Q9 My child does well at this school:

Our response:

91% of parents said that their child does well at this school with 4% not knowing. Please speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance if you are concerned that your child is not doing well at Al Islah – we want all children to thrive and do well across the whole curriculum.

Q10 The school lets me know how my child is doing:

Our response:

Again this year, 88% of parents agreed with this with 2% not knowing and 10% disagreeing.

Here is a reminder to parents of what we do:

- Parent Consultations are held twice a year. This gives parents an extended opportunity to liaise with their child's subject teacher to discuss progress, attainment, targets for improvement and any other matters which may affect their child's experience at school.
- A full written report is sent home at the end of the school year.
- There is an opportunity at the beginning of the year 7 to meet your child's teachers to share yearly expectations and strategies to support your child at home.
- Parents can contact their child's teacher directly through the messaging platform on ClassDojo

Q11 There is a good range of subjects available to my child at this school:

Our response:

89% of parents agreed with this statement with 9% not knowing. Please look at our website and read the half termly topic planners which show the subjects and the topics that your child will be learning in each term. We follow the National Curriculum and ensure that the children have breadth and balance in terms of curriculum coverage.

Q12 The school supports my child's wider personal development:

Our response:

85% of parents agreed that we supported their child's wider personal development with 13% not knowing. We will work on developing this area so that parents understand how we support their child in this area.

Q13 I would recommend this school to another parent:

Our response:

95% of parents would recommend Al Islah to another family, which is good. A very small minority indicated that they would not recommend the school to a friend. The Governors hope that where there is such strong feeling people would feel confident to express their concerns directly to the school in order that they can be discussed and addressed if necessary.

Do you have any other responses if.....

Positives:

- Keep up the good job you all do!
- Very caring and nurturing the whole team from the staff to headteacher.
- Thank you to all the teachers and the school for their support in helping our children develop.
- I am very pleased with the progress of my child at this school.
- I love that that my daughter is in a Islamic environment and also getting the education she needs.
- My child is very happy at school and loves the teachers very much.
- The headteacher is always welcoming to all the parents and student. This kind and polite gesture on her part lets me know she cares about the students. Thank you to her for being a great role model to the children.
- My child loves her teacher who has been incredibly helpful when issues have arisen and dealt with them promptly and efficiently.
- Another difficult year where the school has delivered over and above. Keep going.

Even better ifs:

- We need more insight into what the children are learning and more communication from teachers about how the children are doing.
- The new school dinners could ensure be a little cheaper and a greater portion size.
- Home learning is more consistent/checked/clear to complete.
- Would like updates on child's progress to be more regular.
- There needs to be more lessons on diversity – black history month