



Questionnaire Results

Selected Responses

(October 2023)

Introduction

- 70 staff, 305 parents and 857 pupils responded to the Goldington Survey organised by Forschoolseducation in October/November 2023.
- The following document highlights some of the key information.
- The findings will be widely shared in the autumn term and will be used by school leaders to adapt practice with the aim of once again improving Goldington Academy.



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PUPIL'S OVERALL

2023	2021
857	766

- Scores generally went down from 2021! I was a bit disappointed with that, particularly when we consider our Ofsted and GCSE results. Selected results below:

Quality of Education	Overall Strength %	Overall Strength %
I enjoy being at school.	62	74

- The most obvious thing for me to observe was with regard to teacher feedback. These figures did seem to have gone down.

Teachers regularly tell me how well I am doing.	42	58
Teachers regularly tell me what I need to do to improve.	54	67

- I felt generally the pastoral outcomes held up quite well e.g.

Behaviour and Attitudes	Overall Strength %	Overall Strength %
I feel safe in lessons.	83	87
I feel safe at breaktimes and around the school.	84	89

Personal Development	Overall Strength %	Overall Strength %
I am taught to respect people from different backgrounds and treat everyone equally.	93	96
The school teaches me to know the difference between right and wrong.	86	87
There are opportunities for me to make a positive contribution to the community outside school.	80	79

- Very similar with extra curricular

There are a variety of activities outside of lessons for pupils to be involved in.	90	92
I take part in activities outside lessons.	65	65

- Generally, the Life Skills questions looked very similar

The school provides me with information, advice and support about relationships and sexual health.	65%	67%
The school informs me of the dangers from smoking or misusing substances such as alcohol or drugs.	82%	81%

OVERALL SUMMARY

Pupil Attitudinal Survey:

School: Goldington Academy

Date of Report: 02/11/2023

Cohort: All KS34 Pupils

Number of respondents: 857

Number of Questions out of 43 which received a positive response: (more than 85% of respondents agreed)

5

Average positive response rate for all questions was:

69%

Number of Questions out of 43 which received a negative response: (more than 30% of respondents disagreed)

0

Average negative response rate for all questions was:

10%

Key issues for the school to address:

(any question that has a negative response of over 25%)

- * Teachers regularly tell me how well I am doing.
- * In lessons I can learn well because other pupils behave sensibly.

Pupil Survey Dashboard Chart



FOR SCHOOLS - PUPIL VOICE

Pupil Attitudinal Survey - Summary Report

School: **Goldington Academy**

Date of Report: **02/11/2023**

Cohort: **All KS34 Pupils**

Number of respondents: **857**

Percentage of Respondents Performance Criteria

Percentage of Respondents

	SA	A	NAND	D	SD	NR	Overall Strength	Overall Weakness
Quality of Education								
I enjoy being at school.	9	53	23	11	3	0	62	15
I am expected to do my best in all lessons.	37	54	8	1	0	0	90	1
Teachers and other adults help me to do my best in all lessons.	19	53	23	4	0	0	72	4
Teachers have good knowledge in the subjects they teach.	33	49	15	2	0	1	82	2
Teachers set challenging work in all lessons.	15	54	21	9	1	0	69	9
Teachers encourage me to participate in lessons and listen to what I have to say.	21	51	21	6	0	1	72	6
I enjoy learning at this school	16	50	22	10	2	0	66	12
I am clear about what I am learning about and why.	18	55	20	6	1	0	73	7
I can see how my learning has a sequence designed to build skills and knowledge.	14	47	32	6	0	0	61	7
I am encouraged to apply my skills and knowledge in new situations.	16	54	21	8	0	1	70	8
I get the chance to go over previous topics and recap learning.	21	52	19	8	0	0	73	8
Teachers regularly tell me how well I am doing.	8	34	30	25	2	0	42	28
Teachers regularly tell me what I need to do to improve	9	45	26	18	2	0	54	19
I am making good progress	19	42	33	5	1	0	61	6
Behaviour and Attitudes								
There are clear expectations and rules about behaviour.	56	38	4	1	0	0	94	1
The behaviour routines are fairly applied by all staff.	17	46	17	16	4	0	63	20
I am not bullied or harassed at school.	53	26	9	7	5	0	79	12
If bullying, harassment and racism occurs, the school is good at dealing with it.	21	34	32	10	4	0	54	14
In lessons I can learn well because other pupils behave sensibly.	4	33	33	25	4	1	37	29
I feel safe in lessons.	36	47	12	4	1	0	83	5

Key: SA=Strongly Agree, A=Agree, NAND = Neither Agree nor Disagree, D=Disagree, SD=Strongly Disagree, NR=No Response or unclear response

Notes: **Dark Blue:** Overall Strength = Greater than 85%, **Light Blue:** Overall Strength = 70% - 85%, **Red:** Overall Weakness = Greater than 50%, **Green:** Overall Weakness = 40% - 50%

All KS34 Pupils: Years: 7 to 11
Percentage of Respondents - Continued

Performance Criteria

Percentage of Respondents

	SA	A	NAND	D	SD	NR	Strength	Weakness
The behaviour of pupils is good around the school.	3	36	36	21	4	1	39	24

PARENTS' OVERALL

2023	2021
305	383

- Generally, the parents' views held up from a strong base in 2021 and if anything were stronger. Good!

Home-School Relationships	Overall Strength %	Overall Strength %
Q1. Staff explain how I can help my child/children at home.	66	57
Q2. I feel comfortable about approaching the school with questions, a problem or complaint.	89	84
Q3. My child has special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) and the school gives my child the support they need.	36	71
Q4. The school responds well to any concerns I raise.	96	94
Q5. The school makes me aware of what my child/children will learn during the year.	86	74
Q6. I am kept well informed about my child's progress.	76	59
The Learning Experience		
Q7. My child/children is/are making good progress at this school.	81	76
Q8. My child/children is/are taught well at this school.	86	77
Q9. The school has high expectations for my child/children.	82	77
Q10. Staff encourage my child/children to become mature and independent.	83	75
Q11. There is a good range of subjects/activities available to my child/children at this school.	90	87
Q12. My child/children receive(s) appropriate homework for their age.	81	75
Q13. The school teaches my child/children how to manage their feelings appropriately.	57	60
Q14. The school teaches my child/children to persevere when they find their work hard.	66	61
Q15. The school supports my child's wider personal development.	72	66
Q16. The school helps my child/children be prepared for a change of class or school.	60	58
Making a Contribution		
Q17. The school gives my child/children opportunities to make positive contributions to their class/group or school.	81	77
Q18. The school gives my child/children opportunities to make positive contributions to the community outside school.	49	46
Q19. The school asks my child/children for their views about important things in school.	61	56
Q20. The school takes account of the views of my child/children.	64	54

Relationships of Staff and Other Pupils.	Overall Strength %	Overall Strength %
Q21. Staff treat my child/children fairly.	81	74
Q22. The school ensures the pupils are well behaved.	83	78
Q23. The school helps my child/children to develop positive relationships with teachers and other pupils.	81	75
Q24. My child/children is/are praised when he/she works hard or behaves well.	90	82
Q25. The school teaches my child/children to respect people from different backgrounds, races, religions etc.	91	85
Q26. The school deals effectively with bullying and harassment.	61	60
Q27. The school is good at stopping racism or dealing with it when it happens.	47	49
Well-Being		
Q28. My child/children is/are not bullied or harassed at school.	76	71
Q29. My child/children is/are not racially abused at school.	85	79
Q30. The arrangements for my child/children to settle in when they started at the school were good.	90	87
Q31. My child/children feel(s) safe at this school.	93	93
Q32. My child/children is/are well looked after at this school.	89	88
Q33. The school encourages and helps my child/children to take regular exercise.	83	82
Q34. My child/children can take part in clubs and activities at this school.	90	90
Q35. The school encourages and helps my child/children to eat and drink healthily.	55	61
Q36. The school actively promotes equality of opportunity for all.	82	75
The Summary School Experience		
Q37. My child/children is/are happy at this school.	91	88
Q38. The school is well led and well managed.	92	84
Q39. I would recommend this school to another parent.	91	85

Need to look at question 3 in a bit more detail ...

OVERALL SUMMARY

Parent/Carer Attitudinal Survey

School: **Goldington Academy**

Date of Report: **02/11/2023**

Cohort: **All Parents**

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15

Average positive response rate for all questions was:

77%

Number of Questions out of 39 which received a negative response: (more than 30% of respondents disagreed)

0

Average negative response rate for all questions was:

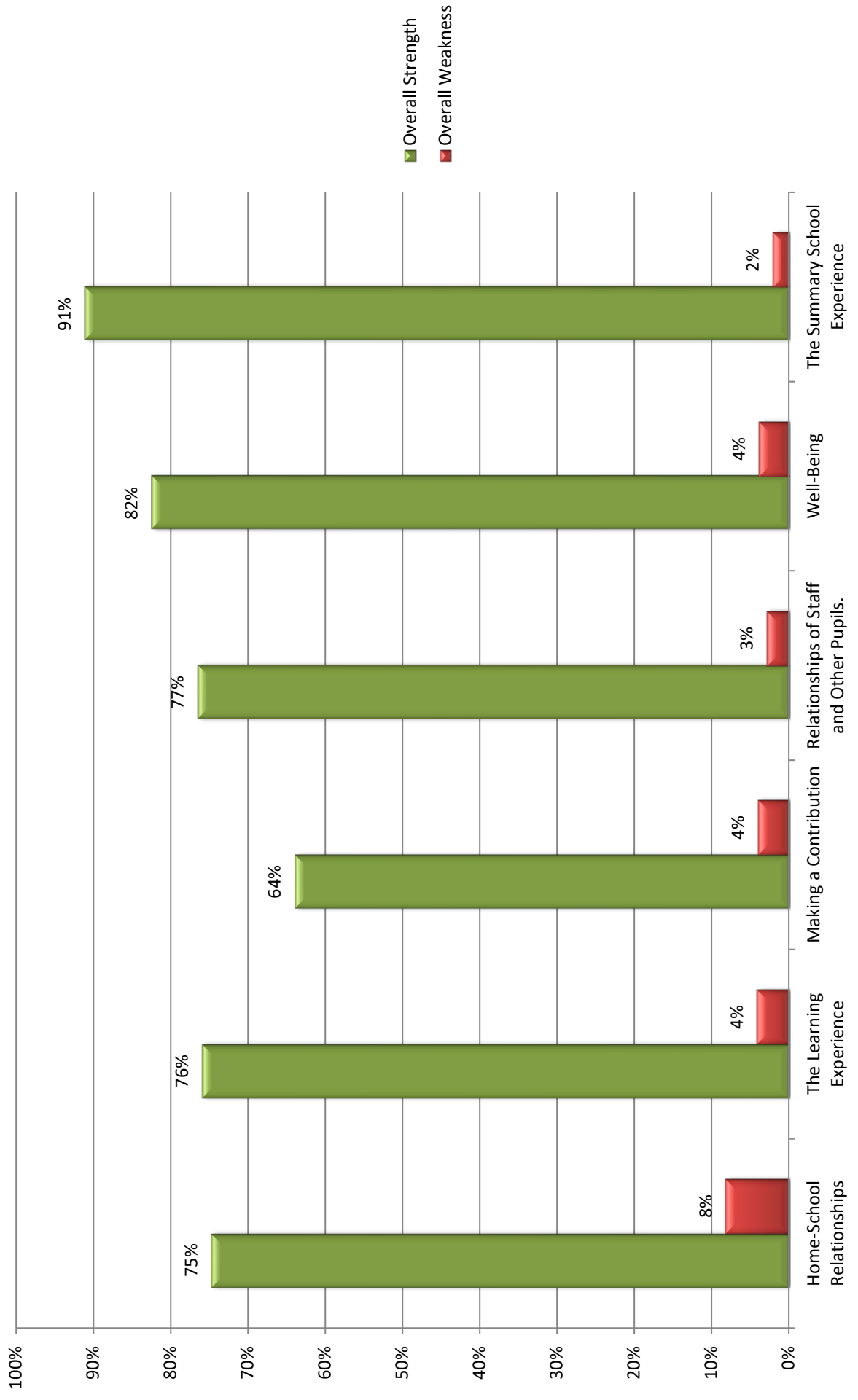
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Key issues for the school to address:

(any question that has a negative response of over 25%)

* The parents are satisfied with the school with an average positive response rate of 77%.

Parent Survey Dashboard Chart



FOR SCHOOLS - PARENT VOICE

Parent/Carer Attitudinal Survey - All Parents

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Cohort: **All Parents**

Number of respondents: **305**

Percentage of Respondents Performance Criteria

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	SA	A	NAND	D	SD	NA	Overall Strength	Overall Weakness
Home-School Relationships								
Q1. Staff explain how I can help my child/children at home.	20	46	25	9	0	0	66	10
Q2. I feel comfortable about approaching the school with questions, a problem or complaint.	47	42	8	3	0	0	89	3
Q3. My child has special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND) and the school gives my child the support they need.	10	26	46	11	7	0	36	18
Q4. The school responds well to any concerns I raise.	41	55	0	2	2	0	96	4
Q5. The school makes me aware of what my child/children will learn during the year.	36	51	9	4	1	0	86	5
Q6. I am kept well informed about my child's progress.	24	52	15	8	1	0	76	9
The Learning Experience								
Q7. My child/children is/are making good progress at this school.	34	47	16	3	0	0	81	3
Q8. My child/children is/are taught well at this school.	32	54	12	1	0	0	86	1
Q9. The school has high expectations for my child/children.	38	44	13	4	0	0	82	4
Q10. Staff encourage my child/children to become mature and independent.	32	51	15	2	0	0	83	2
Q11. There is a good range of subjects/activities available to my child/children at this school.	38	52	7	3	0	0	90	4
Q12. My child/children receive(s) appropriate homework for their age.	22	59	11	7	1	0	81	8
Q13. The school teaches my child/children how to manage their feelings appropriately.	13	44	36	6	1	0	57	7
Q14. The school teaches my child/children to persevere when they find their work hard.	18	49	30	3	1	0	66	4
Q15. The school supports my child's wider personal development.	21	51	24	3	1	0	72	4
Q16. The school helps my child/children be prepared for a change of class or school.	18	43	35	4	1	0	60	4
Making a Contribution								
Q17. The school gives my child/children opportunities to make positive contributions to their class/group or school.	31	50	18	1	0	0	81	1
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Q19. The school asks my child/children for their views about important things in school.	17	44	34	4	0	0	61	4
Q20. The school takes account of the views of my child/children.	14	49	31	4	1	0	64	5

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PARENT COMMENTS	
Please choose one thing you would like to celebrate about the school.	If you had one thing you would like to see improved about the school, what would it be?
Awards day many pupils recognised for their achievements	An extra parents evening per year.
Being open to allowing pupils to explore their own interests and form their own clubs.	More opportunities for parents to see their Childs work. I have never seen my child's classwork.
Communication and dealing with issues	Investigation into why children are poor attenders and more insight in how this can be eased
Equal opportunities	Incorporate debates and competitions in school to improve children's auracy skills and confidence to speak. There are kids who stay behind as they are shy but teachers need to push them to come forward. We all had gone through in our school days where teachers used to push us to do things and that got rid of shyness and inhibition.
Excellent support and extra classes in the lead up to GCSEs	Toilet arrangements- particularly for the younger children. Not allowed during class (understandable) but there are big queues at playtime and it is a bit intimidating for the younger children. My son has been anxious about going to the toilet and so hasn't been drinking.
How it is evident the teachers care about the pupils	Nothing
I appreciate the emails and phone calls when my child has achieved well. I feel the school really celebrates the achievements of all pupils very well.	This is not necessarily about the school but teenage life and mobile phones/devices!! My child is kept very busy with lots of clubs after school so she does not get to use her phone that much, during the day. My rule is she needs to have it out of her bedroom and on charge by ten at night, which is later than I think it should be! What amazes me is how much activity there is on it - often into the early hours of the morning. These children can not be getting enough sleep and surely this must be impacting their studies and mental health. I know this is a challenge more for parents than schools. I just wonder if schools could consider how they can support parents/pupils with these challenges? I find it a constant battle and I wonder if school could establish some kind of expectations for device use, during the school week at least. I feel it might be helpful for those parents who are trying to impose some kind of boundaries and expectations.

PARENT COMMENTS	
Impressed with the headmaster	My child having to tuck his shirt inside his trousers.
Music Department	How the school deals with bullying. Isolation is not a punishment, children actively enjoy it.
On the whole the teachers seem happy and are approachable and helpful	There are far too many students still doing things that verge on assault by certain students and verbal abuse. While they might not be racial in nature they are insults about personal appearance or "joke threats"/insults towards the students family. Whilst there might be no malice behind this isn't something that should be happening as these aren't little children anymore.
Overall it is a good school , with a good balance between learning, discipline and fun and this keeps children motivated	I think the school should be more encouraging of the quiet, shy and introvert children, they often get overlooked but have much to offer. Bring them forward , give them a chance to shine, right?
Quick responses when queries have been raised.	Feedback for homework and continuous progression availability for parents.
School curriculum,	SORTING OF DISPUTES
Strong GCSE results, good facilities, supportive environment	Less supply teachers
The children	
The diverse opportunities it offers.	The quality and consistency of homework.
The extra curricular clubs on offer at this school is amazing. The trip to Bude during a school holiday was a brilliant opportunity. I love how easily I can contact staff if there is a problem. My son is thriving here, thank you for everyone's hard work	
The extra curricular opportunities	My child has made me aware that an increasing number of pupils are accessing their mobile phones in the daytime. She informs me that pupils have phones at lunchtime, in toilets and even film for social media in classes
The school has been very good in general for the results I can see on my child's academic progress.	Leave political issues outside the school like LGBTQ+ agenda and go back to teach facts.
The staff are incredible!	None I can think of

PARENT COMMENTS	
<p>The system for achievement points is really nice to see as a parent and to talk about this with their child.</p> <p>Also, very good to see such a teacher presence outside the school to minimise behaviours or hanging around.</p> <p>Good choice of subjects for GCSE's.</p> <p>Would like to especially mention both Mr Latchman and Mr Andrews. My child absolutely loves their enthusiasm and attitude towards the pupils. My child really enjoys their lessons. They are a credit to the school.</p> <p>This is my third child in this school and one more yet to start and I cannot fault the teaching or Mr Galbraith. I know my children are in good hands here</p>	<p>The setting of homework which hasn't been covered in class yet can cause some levels of stress in a pupil at home.</p> <p>Completely understand about the representation of the school in regards to uniform but children are expected to wear blazers etc in temperatures which are much too high. Most children already struggle to focus in class without also overheating.</p>
<p>Updated facilities, students make good progress.</p>	<p>My child receives too much homework compared to other pupils in local schools</p>
<p>Academic results</p>	<p>Information parents about kids progressing</p>
<p>Clubs and awards events</p>	<p>Better organised lunch times</p> <p>More trips</p>
<p>Efficient and organised</p> <p>Some teachers have responded to my concerns</p>	<p>Pastoral care, showing understanding of growing children's mental health and correlation with academic achievement and their learning journey through school</p>
<p>Encourages every child to meet their potential.</p>	<p>The school meals are poor quality and unhealthy. My non-fussy children will eat anything out of school but not the school meals.</p> <p>They all experience some low level bullying due to their appearance (hair colour), that seems to have been impossible to stamp out over the years. They have accepted it and don't worry now but it is a sad to know other younger children in the school will most likely have the same experience.</p> <p>Sorry that is two things!</p>

PARENT COMMENTS	
Excellent communication	N/A
<p>Extra curricular activities. Positive ethos</p> <p>Good team of teachers, possibly one of the best teams in the town.</p> <p>Head teacher is a brilliant leader, both my boys enjoy their time here at this school.</p> <p>High standards of teaching.</p> <p>High standards</p> <p>Commitment by the teaching staff to provide excellent education for my child.</p> <p>I believe the school challenges all pupils and encourages my child to achieve her very best.</p>	<p>The headteacher and some other staff members not listening and not acting on concerns. Feels incredibly invalidating. If I were to use a metaphor I'd say the headteacher is like a politician who will only pick out and present good points and disregard and not address any critique. I felt disempowered and even distressed at times and like there is no point in bringing anything up as not only nothing is addressed or changed but we are not even heard. Although overall my child enjoys the school and we see good points, I'm not sure I'd send them again to this school. Pastoral care and SEN is particularly poor, in my opinion. Focus on attendance rather than understanding the needs of individual kids is a concern. It feels like good pupils who do not have physical or mental health challenges or other issues are rewarded for attendance and it feels very discriminatory and invalidating. We just feel, one more year to get through and our child can move somewhere else. Some foul behaviour and bullying not being addressed but I guess that's always an issue in a big school. I feel like things have to escalate badly before anything is actually done whether it is some need of a child that needs addressing or something else, things are left and not dealt with until they reach a boiling point. Partly I think it's because efforts are concerned on academic performance and things that get the school some good publicity and therefore other areas are neglected or minimised.</p> <p>I'd like to know more on how we can help with revision techniques and strategies</p> <p>More Subject choices for GCSE.</p> <p>Improved Lunch menu options and increased health promotion assemblies/education with external organisations such as the NHS to improve kids understanding of taking responsibility for their own health and well-being.</p> <p>I would love it to have a sixth form!</p>

PARENT COMMENTS	
It gives opportunities to my children such as DoE or drama productions.	
Keeps the children engaged!	Encourage more team sport participation
Leadership have created a positive culture at the school and celebrate achievements of its students.	Encourage pupils in junior leadership team and other roles to meet more regularly and create a plan for what they will do.
Location and time keeping	Diversity
My son has loved his time at the school, previously he has been that muddle ability quiet child that often gets ignored but at Goldington he has flourished both academically and socially and much of that is to do with the positive relationships he has with teachers	
Sport opportunities	More communication with teachers
Supportive teachers who really care about each child.	Stronger science department. A real mix of teachers there has been a huge change in quality over the years. Regular homework and support needed to secure knowledge.
The discipline is very good.	6th form!
The fact that my child feels safe and secure at school	I would love to see the school expand and have a sixth form attached
The fantastic leadership team and teachers who nurture, encourage and motivate the children to reach their full learning potential. Fantastic staff team at Goldington!	Nothing...I am completely happy with the school.
The range of activities and lessons means every child has an opportunity to find something they enjoy and succeed at.	Slightly stricter around uniform and behaviour - it trickles down to general issues that can disrupt lessons and learning.
The school is welcoming and inclusive.	Wider selection of food available at lunchtime.
The staff are caring and listen to the children.	Less disruptive lessons. Teachers to address bad/ offensive behaviour so it's stopped.
The support they provide to help your child succeed	Communication home
They celebrate kids achievements	The office admin. Hit and miss at times.
Very accommodating and welcoming to new students	Higher quality and involvement of school sport
Welcoming, safe and well-run.	Not sure

PARENT COMMENTS	
Well organised sports activities	Needs proper gym. Needs bigger library.
Wide ranging extra curricular activities that suit different tastes and interests. Extremely responsive staff	
Young people's happiness is important and their education and achievements are taken seriously	Praise points used more effectively - why are they given explained more clearly
	Consistent approach to behaviour -the approach depends on the individual teacher. Removal of the use of isolation. This is not good practice and detrimental to children's mental health.
	Encourage students to go to the library and read books.
	Respect for teachers
As a multicultural school, the school should celebrate all nationalities cultural celebrations which will help children to feel integrated and related	Block spending when there isn't enough balance on Dinner account.
Communication platforms are fantastic. Parent Mail and Satchel are easy to navigate, accessible and enables me to help my son in his first year. The parent forum was brilliant. Having that opportunity to speak to the head and deputy head was really valuable.	Its hard to really give anything constructive as my son has only just started. But one thing that would be the communication/feedback from sports teachers. My son tried out for the team, wasn't successful. We had to chase via his form tutor and the parent forum to try and get feedback as to where he could improve. Finally my son built up the confidence to ask the football coach what he could do better next time and if there were other opportunities to try out for the team - but this was a month after the try outs.
Dealing quickly with bad behaviour and listening to child's concerns. Staff listen to the child's voice and I think that is very important. It develops confidence, consistency, trust and safety.	Having homework that directly relates to what's being learned in lesson time. Taking the learning deeper and strengthening understanding and knowledge of the subject matter.
Easy transition from primary school	I 'think' a couple of subjects (same teacher) have given some unrelated homework recently that seems quite complex for year 7. The homework has been amended each time by the teacher and it just could be a lot simpler in its format.
Encouragement.	Hard to say at this point.

PARENT COMMENTS	
More clubs I would like my child to bring the notebooks home so I can support her in maths, Physics and IT. At the moment, I don't know what the topics she is learning about, so I can't really check whether she has understood the lessons in maths and redo the exercises if necessary.	
Good education Great communication with parents Helping new starters settle in	New parent this year do not sure. N/a
I am very impressed with communication and how any problem is dealt with straight away. I am generally very pleased with the school.	
I can't; we're just beginning here.	Nothing so far.
In the words of my child "teachers treat us with care and respect they don't talk to us like little kids"	Homework - as a parent navigating the apps is tricky when you've not had a future for those who need it the first few weeks were a bit fraught
It's a good school and does a lot for my child	Greatly appreciate
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senior leaders being present at the gates in the morning	that students won't push their way through during change over breaks, clear rules on how to behave in the corridors
The inclusive environment	Too early to comment
The pupils seem to have the upmost respect for the staff and teachers. My son has only been at the school for a few weeks so difficult to make judgement on a lot of things but he seems to love it and the communication has been great.	Lunch systems. My son seems to struggle to get lunch due to how busy the canteen is and when he does get to the front the options are limited as they have run out of things.
The school has been known for a long time and I will appreciate the number of students at the school if it gets to a significant amount.	I would like to increase the lunch-time staff in order to get to the food quicker as my child has no time to get there and to get what she wants to eat during break and lunch.

PARENT COMMENTS	
<p>The students love the school.</p> <p>There are many things to celebrate. Communication from staff to parents is excellent. Safeguarding letters are sent weekly, emails are responded to by staff promptly, events/activities are communicated in advance. Homework is set online by staff in a timely manner. My daughter is only in year 7, and as parents, we are thrilled so far. Our daughter happy, feels safe and is enjoying learning. This is all thanks to the wonderful staff, from cleaners to admin/support staff to the Head Teacher.</p> <p>There are visible adults around, which gives a feeling of safety and caring</p> <p>Too early to comment</p> <p>Very organised and committed staff who put the pupils learning and needs first.</p> <p>We just started at this school and I find the communication between the school and the parents is excellent. The teachers are easy to reach and always reply to the emails and are very helpful. You really feel you're being listened to and that my child is well looked after and supported.</p> <p>We like that the head still teaches, as it enables him to be in touch with both the children and the classroom experience of being a teacher.</p> <p>-</p>	<p>Homework check generally.</p> <p>For example, there was homework the future year-7s were asked to do during summer, which was never checked. We understand that the teachers might not want to start the school year with telling off, but to praise and acknowledge the ones who did do that task, would be great. Children might be discouraged to do homework with care and attention if it is not checked :-)</p> <p>I have no concerns so far.</p> <p>All school information for parents given in one place, to ensure no emails are missed.</p> <p>Year 11 not having priority every day for school dinners as son has ended up not having lunch due to line being so long and then going to a club</p> <p>Small minority of poorly behaved pupils to be consistently managed with all subject teachers. They can disrupt the learning of others at times.</p> <p>Lunch breaks being staggered or managed better as some have to queue for 20-30 minutes which is half of their lunch break. My child hasn't had a hit dinner since the start of school as they don't want to miss their playtime with friends because if queuing.</p> <p>Bullying procedures as my child is STILL being bullied 4 weeks into a new school and teachers have been informed and still nothing has been done</p> <p>-</p>

PARENT COMMENTS	
An alumni. A celebration of past students and their achievements so current students are inspired.	A sixth form to be added
Communication	Able to be relaxed on uniform. Polo shirts Black trainers Jumpers instead of blazers This would help with the cost of living
Encouraging independence among the children.	Lunch time serving times - seems that doesn't work well. Queuing when they should be out running off lunch.
Excellent staff who care and go the extra mile. Great extra curricular activities for all	Healthier school meals.
Good behaviour in general. Only a handful of problematic individuals.	Consequences for aggressive and badly behaved students, regardless of status.
How every child is given a chance to shine just as you say they do... my child is thriving in all areas of the school, academic and extra curricular. The school is creating well rounded students who enjoy learning!	More regular feedback from subject teachers on progress and what we can do to assist learning at home specific to my child. We only have communication with subject teachers at parents evenings... further contact would be beneficial.
It celebrates the children's achievements!	Better interaction with parents regarding homework and feedback.
Management	Healthy meals
More cultural celebrations	Girls should have access to toilet during lesson time even at the end of the day due to personal reasons. This is because if a child starts their period during lesson time and if a child is struggling to keep her urine in. This can cause distress to this individual.
Superb enthusiast staff.	

PARENT COMMENTS	
<p>Teachers respond well when I have questions or concerns</p> <p>That my child is happy to go to school every day</p>	<p>Too much vaping in toilets in groups, which my child finds difficult to avoid. It is a health risk to children like mine especially those who have Asthma. The school needs to take a zero tolerance app or have stronger sanctions so that there can be no vaping at all on school grounds in small poorly ventilated areas like toilets for breathing in toxic fumes from unregulated vapes. The school governors could do more to support the school with eradicating vaping in this school. The school isn't transparent with parents about it going on, they need to tell parents it's going on to get their support to educate their kids to not lead to peer pressure to join others to vape at school and to teach them not to take it into school. Parents are not advised of what the consequences would be if they caught to act as a deterrent. Schools have been able to eradicate smoking cigarettes so eradicating vaping should be possible in the same ways.</p>
<p>The organisation: office, clubs, communication, activities, homework.</p> <p>Celebrating the students' achievements during and at the end of the year.</p>	<p>The toilet/vaping issue was my main concern however I am aware that this is an issue that is already beginning to be sorted.</p>
<p>The pupils engagement in the award schemes. The awards evening was a celebration of the students efforts and all seemed genuinely pleased to receive the nominations and not a cause for embarrassment within the wider year group. Everyone is very respectful of hard work being rewarded.</p>	<p>There was only one parents evening with subject teachers last year. I would like there to be more communication about when these will be and ideally at least two.</p>
<p>The sporting opportunities my children have had at the school. They attend clubs most nights and get a great deal out of them not physically and mentally.</p>	<p>Nothing I can think of.</p>
<p>The supportiveness of the teaching staff. The teachers have been really supportive of my child and personal situations over the past year.</p>	<p>More parents consultation opportunities.</p>

PARENT COMMENTS	
<p>The teachers my child had last year, and his current teachers, motivate my child. I am so pleased with the progress my child has made.</p>	
<p>They offer clubs after/during school that's voluntary but would prefer support classes/intervention for children to get more secure/mastery potential as compulsory. I would happily as a parent support it as I find my child would benefit this way more if he had to attend it. Hope that makes sense</p>	<p>Would like face to face parents' evenings back as the online system does not show us physical evidence of their actual work. The meetings are very rushed and left with more speculation than answers.</p>
<p>Very good at letting me know if my child is unsettled at the school.</p>	<p>Communication on how my child is doing at school</p>
<p>Wide choice of extra curricular activities.</p>	<p>Our daughter informs us that she gets negative comments and attitudes from some of the boys within the school.</p>
	<p>After school activities not always revolving around joining teams. Not all children like the competitive side. So unable to participate fully if not wanting to join a team</p>
	<p>Apart from parents evenings I would like to be more informed of my child's development in subjects</p>
	<p>Communication with parents on supporting children at home</p>
	<p>Organize lessons for students who need to improve</p>
	<p>Parents to know more about what the children learn each day</p>
<p>Academic focus</p>	<p>Distraction to learning (from misbehaving children) reduced</p>
<p>Aiming high</p>	
<p>Anti bullying</p>	<p>More handwritten homework instead of online</p>
<p>Caring</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>Discipline</p>	<p>I do not have anything about the school that need improvement</p>
<p>Excellent facilities</p>	<p>Better , safer , more accessible toilets for teenage girls, particularly during menstruation. It is what my daughter complains about most.</p>
<p>Focus on academic achievements</p>	<p>Bullying</p>
<p>Ga makes celebrating success a priority at the end of the year.</p>	<p>Longer parent evening appointments for the core subjects. I.w. Maths, English etc</p>
<p>Good exam results year on year</p>	<p>Dealing with low attainment cohort of boys.</p>

PARENT COMMENTS	
Great communication	Allowing children to use the toilets (girls when menstruating need the toilet more often)
Great staff, I have 2 children here and they enjoy their lessons and only say positive things about the teaching.	When messages come out please could it include the year group they affect (if specific). When there is more than one child the which messages affects who can get mixed.
Great teaching and extracurricular sessions mean students are enthusiastic and engaged	Tighter behavioural policies so all students could engage with every lesson and assembly
High expectations of students outcomes	Feedback from homework on Satchel one for both students and parents to see
How they care about those they look after individually. The teachers are extremely emotionally intelligent in all dealings with my child.	An explanation as to why my child earns merit points. Sometimes they are unsure as to why and it would be nice to be able to discuss and celebrate these with them.
Inclusion	So far the school is doing well.
So many, varied opportunities that cater for all children and their interests	More praise/rewards
Supportive of my child learning	Homework
The commitment shown by the majority of staff	Less substitute teachers
The drive and ambition; that my child is happy; that my child is challenged and has lots of extra-curricular opportunities	Science department - there is a sense that the teaching and learning is not particularly strong and this has been apparent with both my children. It is a shame as they both arrived from primary thoroughly keen and interested and over time, due in part to some, not all, teachers within this department, their desire to learn in science has been lost somewhere during their movement up the school. This is a real shame and the only department I have observed this consistently with across different time periods and year groups.
The encouragement my son gets for his music abilities from his music and DJ teacher	The actions taken more serious when it comes to harassment for my sons hair colour
The events the parents are invited to show staff really relating well with the pupils respectfully presenting a collaboration between staff and pupils that celebrates pupils in an inspirational way	PE lessons giving sport opportunities every lesson
The positive relationships between staff and pupils	I would like behaviour points to be shared with parents as well as achievement points.

PARENT COMMENTS	
The quality and dedication of teaching staff and the zero tolerance bullying policy	Healthier food
The school is always in contact with me with important information that i need to know about my child.	Nothing
The sport opportunities for the children are amazing	It would be great, if in the future, there would be year 12 and year 13 as well
The staff	
The support given to pupils when needed	That approach to behaviour/rule breaking (including incorrect uniform/dress) was more consistent. It is good and this is only based on reports from own children so taken with a pinch of salt but whilst a majority of classes seem OK, there are a couple of classes where behaviour is not as it should be.
The teachers are approachable	More gluten free options on the menu and at break.
	Cooking for year 9s!
	More extra curricular actives for this age group.
	Improvement of communication with current parents