



Parental Views and Attitude Survey

Year 5 Transition

Autumn Term 2015

1 When did you start thinking about which middle school your child would go to?

Year 3 or earlier	69%
Year 4	13%
Not sure	1%

2 Did you seriously consider sending your child to another school?

Yes	31%
No	69%

3 If you attended the open evening at Walkwood while your child was still at first school, please provide your impression of our school's:

	Very good	Good	Average	Poor
Emphasis on academic results	38%	51%	0%	2%
Relationship with parents	51%	40%	2%	0%
Atmosphere and ethos	58%	31%	2%	0%
Non-academic activities	56%	38%	0%	0%
Buildings and facilities	36%	49%	7%	0%
Focus on the child as an individual	47%	40%	4%	0%
Friendliness of teaching staff	58%	33%	2%	0%
Safety	47%	42%	4%	0%

4 How important were the following factors in choosing Walkwood?

	Very important	Important	Not important	Not at all important
Distance from home	33%	40%	24%	2%
School's atmosphere and/or ethos	71%	27%	0%	0%
Good pastoral care	69%	27%	2%	0%
Buildings in good order	29%	64%	7%	0%
Specialist facilities (eg art, music, sports)	36%	51%	11%	0%
Availability of after-school clubs	31%	42%	24%	0%
Reputation for behaviour and discipline	76%	24%	0%	0%
Academic outcomes	67%	29%	0%	0%

5 **How important were each of the following sources of information in your choice of Walkwood?**

	Very important	Important	Not important	Not at all important
Recommendation by friends and relatives	13	18	11	1
The views of other children already in school	22	18	3	
My own child's views	38	6	1	
School prospectus	11	28	4	1
School website	6	24	11	1
Open evening / visit to school	27	15	1	
Ofsted report	16	23	3	

6 **Walkwood held two intake days in July, when Year 5 children spent time in school in preparation for starting in September. What were your child's views on this?**

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
It was enjoyable and fun	73%	27%	0%	0%
The activities on offer were interesting	42%	58%	0%	0%
It made them less nervous about starting school in September	84%	16%	0%	0%
It was helpful meeting teachers and peers	76%	24%	0%	0%
It was helpful finding out who would be in their form	58%	40%	0%	2%

7 **How did you feel when your child first started at Walkwood?**

Not at all concerned	44.5%
A bit concerned	44.5%
Concerned	9%
Very concerned	2%

8 **Which, if any, of the following things do you worry about for your child now?**

Organisation (remembering books, equipment, homework, etc)	51%
Amount of freedom	2%
Too little homework	4%
Too much homework	27%
Level of work	24%
Adjusting to having many teachers	18%

9 **How do you think your child has settled in?**

Very well	80%
Quite well	20%
Not very well	0%
Not well at all	0%

10 How satisfied are you with communication with the school?

	Very satisfied	Satisfied	Not satisfied	Not at all satisfied	N/A or unticked
The 'Welcome Booklet'	64%	31%	2%	0%	2%
The Insider newsletter	76%	24%	0%	0%	0%
Letters sent home	49%	47%	2%	2%	0%
Telephone contact	47%	49%	0%	2%	2%
Pupil planners	51%	40%	9%	0%	0%
The school website	38%	47%	13%	0%	2%

11 How satisfied are you with the whole process of your child's move to Walkwood?

Very satisfied	73%
Satisfied	27%
Not satisfied	0%
Not satisfied at all	0%

12 How likely would you be to recommend Walkwood Church of England Middle School to a friend or relative for their own children?

Very likely	84%
Likely	16%
Not likely	0%
Not likely at all	0%