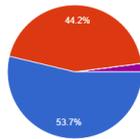


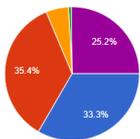
## Parent Survey 2019:

Thank you to everyone who took time to complete the online parent survey that we have been carrying out over the last month or so. These



- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly disagree
- Don't know

give us very valuable feedback about the school experience from a parent/carer view. By carrying out the survey ourselves, rather than relying solely on Parent View (the Ofsted surveys), we can look in more depth at results and comments and consider any adjustments to the provision as required. We were particularly pleased that 97.9% of respondents consider that the children are well taught (see pie chart above) and 97.3% think that they are making good progress. Equally important to us is that similar numbers report that their children are happy and well looked after (97.3% and 97.2% respectively).



- Strongly agree
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The governors requested that we included a question about the expansion and collected views about whether parents considered that the bringing

together of the two schools had enhanced the educational provision available to the children. The pie chart above shows the results of this question, only 6.1% felt that the move to a single school was not enhancing the education we are able to provide.

Recurring themes in the free text question about what school does well included being a happy, friendly school and staff being welcoming and caring as well as the strength of the leadership team. An area that came through strongly as requiring improvement was the outdoor provision and we are already looking at ways to enhance this important area of school. Plans include the relocation of the trim trail to the EYFS/Y1 area and the purchase and installation of a new adventure playground area located on the bank area of the big playground. Quotes are being sought from various companies and the school council have been giving their ideas about the equipment that they would like in such a resource. Funding for this project will be requested from the EPTFA once we have final costs.

We are very grateful for the support that we receive from parents; please do not await the next survey if you do have concerns about anything, speak to a member of SLT.

## Y1 Eggsperiments:

As part of our Easter TASC day Y1 worked in groups to design and make a suitable holder for an Easter bunny to transport eggs. They had to decide which size container and



which packaging would best protect the eggs. We then went outside and tested the success of the holders by jumping like a bunny with real eggs



around the play ground. All of the eggs survived!



## Y5 Kelham Island:

The children in Y5 have been transported back in time to 1864, the year of the Great Sheffield Flood. They spent the day at Kelham Island where they were challenged to deepen their knowledge of events leading up to and following the



flood, come up with a possible solution that may have prevented the flood happening in the first place and finally they had to try to apportion blame for the flood.



They all looked the part in fantastic costumes and really got into role in their drama work. A great day out and thank you to all the volunteers who came along to help out.

## EPTFA Reception Disco:

Thanks to the EPTFA volunteers who organised the Reception Disco. The children had a great time, putting on their best dancing outfits and strutting their moves on the dance floor. Y1 & Y2 have their disco coming up on Friday 17th May.



## Yoga:

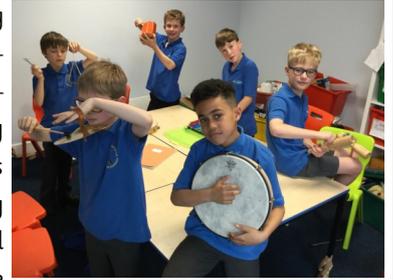


The Y6 children and staff have been enjoying a series of Yoga lessons this half term. Joanne from Kids Love Yoga has been delivering the lively sessions that have involved stretching, poses and balances, breathing and mindfulness exercises, periods of calm as well as many off the matt, more lively activities. The children have really engaged with the lessons so far and the staff (who have joined in too) are also reporting the benefits to both themselves and the children.



## Y4 Composers:

Y4 have been learning control and contrast playing both tuned and untuned percussion. They based their compositions on Fingal's Cave, having looked at pictures and heard stories about the



dangers of navigating around the small islands off the west coast of Scotland. They also listened to the orchestral overture by Felix Mendelssohn for inspiration. The children gave their music three distinct "movements" ensuring that there was a crescendo and diminuendo creating a natural climax to their finished piece.



As can be seen from the photos, they also took time posing for their first album cover!

## Network Games:

The Network Games are held each year at the English Institute of Sport for children in Y1 and Y4. There is an opportunity for the children to compete as a team in a series of athletics activities which are organised and directed by young leaders from across Sheffield Schools. Ecclesall Primary School also provide Y6 Sports Leaders to help out at the event.



All the children participate in 9 activities using the state of the art facilities available at the EIS. These include a standing long jump, javelin, running, basketball and an obstacle course. This year there was also a chance to try out cricket skills with a batting activity, fielding and a diving catch.



Our Y1 team from Dolphins came out the overall winners in the Infant competition and the Y4 team were runners up in a very tight finish. The day is as much about attitude towards sport and demonstrating good sporting behaviours as it is about winning. Our children showed that they knew exactly what was expected of them and were a real credit to Team Ecclesall - well done.



## Coming Up:

### May:

**Wed 1:** Y1 trip to Yorkshire Sculpture Park

**Wed 1 - Fri 3:** Y5 Residential to Kingswood

**Thu 2:** Y4 Ecclesall Woods Trip

**Fri 3:** Y3 Foxes Class Assembly 9.00am

**Mon 6:** Bank Holiday Monday - school closed

**Tues 7:** Y4 Ecclesall Woods Trip

**Tues 7:** Open the Book Assembly KS2

**Thur 9:** Y3 trip to Cresswell Crags

**Fri 10:** Reception visit to Whitepost Farm

**Fri 10:** EPTFA Bun Sale pm

**Sun 12:** EPTFA Fun Run 10.00am

**Mon 13 - Thur 16:** Y6 End of KS2 SATS exams

**Fri 17:** Y1 Blue Whales Assembly 9.15am

**Fri 17:** EPTFA Y1 & Y2 Disco 5.30pm

**Tues 21:** Y2 trip to Botanical Gardens

**Tues 21:** Y5/Y6 Sheffield Primary Athletics Heats 1.30pm

**Thur 23:** Dress as you please

**Thurs 23:** Y4 Football Tournament @ Concord Sports Centre

**Thurs 23:** KS2 Swimming Gala @ Ponds Forge 7.00pm

**Fri 24:** INSET Day - school closed

**Mon 27 - Fri 31:** Half Term Holiday

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