

Summer term 2025 <i>90 surveys completed</i>	Strongly agree	Agree	Tend to disagree	Strongly disagree	Conclusion	Overall judgement
1. My child enjoys attending school.	57%	36%	5%	2%	Vast majority agree	93%
2. My child is making good progress at school.	58%	33%	6%	3%	Vast majority agree	91%
3. Behaviour in the school is good.	50%	44%	4%	2%	Vast majority agree	94%
4. My child gets the right amount of work at home to do.	56%	37%	4%	3%	Vast majority agree	93%
5. The teaching is good.	72%	26%	2%	0%	Vast majority agree	98%
6. I/we are comfortable about approaching the school with questions or a problem.	79%	15%	3%	3%	Vast majority agree	94%
7. The school expects my child to work hard and achieve his or her best.	75%	22%	3%	0%	Vast majority agree	97%
8. The school works closely with parents.	55%	34%	7%	4%	Vast majority agree	89%
9. The school is well led and managed.	72%	25%	1%	2%	Vast majority agree	97%
10. The school is helping my child become mature and responsible.	67%	24%	6%	3%	Vast majority agree	91%
11. The school provides interesting activities outside of lessons.	59%	33%	7%	1%	Vast majority agree	92%
12. I/we am kept well informed about how my child is getting on:						
A) Through reports	59%	30%	10%	1%	Vast majority agree	89%
B) Through Parent Consultations	64%	27%	6%	3%	Vast majority	91%

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c) Through the availability of staff after school	53%	37%	8%	2%	Vast majority agree	90%
13. I/We find the school website helpful for finding out current information.	49%	36%	12%	2%	Vast majority agree	86%
14. My child is safe at school.	77%	19%	2%	2%	Vast majority agree	96%
15. There is a good range of learning trips or visits during school hours.	67%	22%	9%	2%	Vast majority agree	89%
16. I/We are satisfied with our choice of school.	78%	18%	2%	2%	Vast majority agree	96%
17. The school governors are available and accessible for parents.	46%	44%	8%	2%	Vast majority agree	90%
18. The school office offers advice and support to parents.	68%	29%	2%	1%	Vast majority agree	97%
19. The school office is able to help with any queries I have.	69%	24%	6%	1%	Vast majority agree	93%

20. Please comment on what the school does particularly well:

Thank you so much for the care taken of my child. Much appreciated.
Open to meeting/chatting with parents.
Good communication between school and families.
Good communication/Dojo updates.
Availability of staff to discuss any concerns.
After school clubs and before and after school child care.
My child is in Year 1 and her teacher excelled at her job! She shows passion and empathy towards the children and is keen to get them to achieve the best they can! As a class, the children speak very highly of her and she is an asset to the school!
School is friendly and inviting.
My children love coming to school and want to learn, which I think speaks volumes!
Being a positive, welcoming environment for the children.
Good balance of teaching and caring for the children as people rather than numbers.
It is not even enough to thank all the teachers and school staff for the care provided to my both children.
Very supportive and the staff are lovely.
My child is happy at school.
After school clubs: my child really enjoys attending after school clubs and the after school care when we have needed it.
Having breakfast club and after school club is really helpful.
Great variety and engagement opportunities with zoom calls, trips and visitors.
Great schemes to help with building confidence, like the playground leaders.
Lots of educational trips and visitors to keep it varied.
Staff are very professional and friendly.
Great early years space.
Plenty of before and after school care if required.
All staff very approachable.
My child feels safe and enjoys going to school.
Communication and senior staff showing their face to be able to talk.

My child is very happy going to school.
Any problem which we may have, the school helps us.
Extremely well run.
The teachers and staff are very accessible and approachable.
The children are given an open and safe environment to learn where they are fully supported and encouraged.
All the staff have a lovely family feel where everyone knows everyone else and the children feel at home.
The children are encouraged to be free thinking, creative and independent whilst being tolerant and understanding of each other. Everyone's voice is equally important.
Really great at supporting us and really listen to any concerns.
My child has only been at the school for a year and his behaviour has much improved.
Good communication with parents and individualised education.
Provides a bespoke education for my SEN child with a very person-centred approach. They go above and beyond to support him.
The school has created a very friendly and healthy environment for both pupils and parents.
I feel Windmill Hill Academy not only provides a safe happy environment for children to learn, the school also works hard to connect with the local community.
I have seen many changes in the last 6/7 years at Windmill, and all are in my opinion, have been very beneficial.
You are doing well!
Music opportunities like song fest and poetry by heart; school Christmas songs and performances; afterschool clubs and school trips (London trip, beach trip and theatre productions coming into school).
Bertie!
Awareness of wider world and raising money for events.
Support for pupils and families.
PTA events
Right Respecting School Award and Pupil Parliament groups giving children opportunities to lead.
Sport
Sports events with other schools
Afterschool wrap around care
Clubs offered
Headteacher almost always available at school drop off
More updates on dojo weekly
Knowing and understanding my child's needs, strengths and challenges.
Community involvement
Extra-curricular activities
Good staff members
School safety is brilliant.
School meals are good.
Activities and trips are fantastic.
School is run well overall.
Office is easy to contact and helpful.
Always great to see Mrs Bassett in the playground.
It's great you do the swimming every year to help the kids come on.
Personal touch delivering Year F packs are great!
Trying to do more fun things for the kids is great e.g. discos etc for funding.

21. Please comment on how the school could be improved:

There seems to have been a reduction in enrichment trips which is disappointing.
The transition this year from Year 2 to Year 3 could be improved.
It is great that school gets involved in sports tournaments/competitions, but it would be great if the children could practice these sports and games in advance. Examples are netball and cross country. If the children have time/coaching to prepare, performing to the best of their ability will no doubt increase confidence.
Sometimes reaching the office can be a little difficult.
Monitor some of the language and topics discussed by some parent groups in the playground at drop off.
Better, clearer website.
We miss parents coming to school for reading to your child mornings, decorations day etc.

Dojo points seem to be inconsistent.
Additional funding for further one to one support for children with high needs.
Some of the content/views in the library books are a little outdated.
Lunchtime arrangements: Year f ok but children could be easily missed when in other years.
More government funding which is currently in short supply.
If there was more funding, then there would be more equipment and tools which would benefit the teachers and the children.
A drama/theatre group for all age groups would be great.
More notice of trips and asking for help on trips earlier so we can help.
The only thing I could suggest is for a post box system for Children to be able to write a note and share their worries, concerns and questions. An ideas/worry postbox allows children to anonymously off load their problems, and ideas.
Push more of doing homework.
More updates on topics learnt that day so we can link to things at home much easier if needed.
I feel like the jump from Year 2 to 3 is huge and there isn't enough preparation for the change.
Reading books aren't always changed regularly.
More selection on trips. I know cost is the main issue there for many.

22. Any other comments

I have been so impressed with the progress my son has made in his first year at primary school both academically and socially. We couldn't be happier with the choice we made for him to attend Windmill Hill Academy!
World book day this year was a bit of a disappointment - my child was so excited to dress up for world book day and was really upset with the change to PJ day.
Very happy with school.
Just a lovely school which nurtures the children in a family environment.
Keep the good work going and never drop standards.
We will miss the school when my child finishes in July.
Well done Team Windmill for helping to raise my family into a well-rounded human being.
Staff are very committed to children's learning.

Response to surveys by Abby Bassett (Headteacher): 16.5.25

Thank you for taking the time to complete our recent parent surveys. Your feedback is invaluable in helping us reflect on and improve the experience we provide for all children at Windmill Hill Academy.

We are delighted to see such positive responses across all areas. It is clear that the vast majority of families feel their children are happy, safe, and making good progress. We're especially pleased that our teaching, high expectations, and leadership are recognised and appreciated.

Your comments reflect the hard work of our staff and governors, particularly in addressing priorities identified in previous surveys. We are proud of the progress made and grateful for your continued support.

It is encouraging to hear that our children enjoy school, feel supported, and are developing into mature, responsible individuals. Our Rights Respecting approach, school values, and behaviour policy have been key to this, and we are glad to see this echoed in your feedback.

Communication remains a priority for us. We're pleased that our use of ClassDojo, newsletters, social media, and our website is helpful. We will continue to review how we share information—especially through the website—to ensure it is accessible and useful for all families.

We acknowledge the delay in Spring term consultations for Year 2 and Year 4 due to staff absence. These have now been rescheduled and carried out. We also plan to review our reporting process to ensure it is meaningful and informative for parents.

Some of you mentioned staff availability after school. While meetings and clubs can limit this, we encourage you to contact the office or your child's teacher to arrange a convenient time. Our SENCO, Mrs Walsh, is also available for support, and Miss Armstrong continues to be a valued point of contact for many families.

We are proud of the range of enrichment opportunities we've offered this year—from trips and residential to community events and themed days. However, rising costs, particularly for transport, remain a challenge. We're grateful to those who contribute voluntarily and kindly ask for continued support to help us maintain these valuable experiences, including swimming.

Our after-school club provision has grown, and we are pleased so many children are enjoying the variety on offer. We will continue to explore new opportunities for the next academic year and welcome any suggestions you may have.

Thank you once again for your feedback and ongoing support. Please remember, you do not need to wait for a survey to share your thoughts. Feel free to speak to me in the playground or arrange a meeting at any time.