

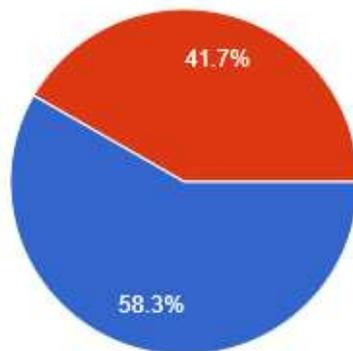
Parent Questionnaire Autumn Term 2021

Thanks to the 60 parents and carers that completed our questionnaire. This helps us to know what we are doing well and what we can do to improve. We have responded to many, but not all, of the comments given.

Thanks again for your continued support, honesty and the time taken to complete the questionnaire.

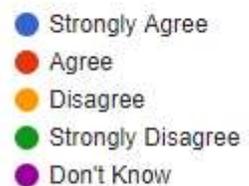
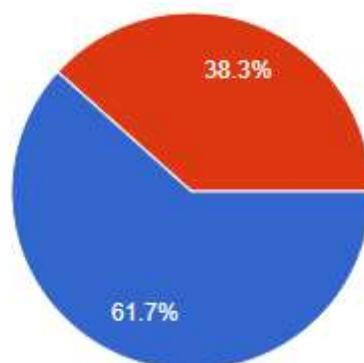
My child is happy at school

60 responses



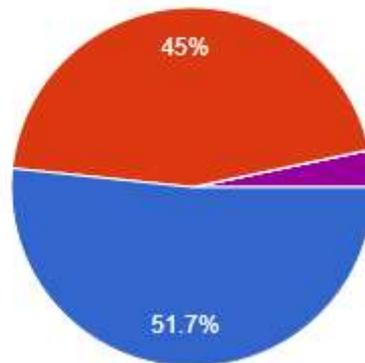
My child feels safe at school

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The school ensures pupils are well behaved

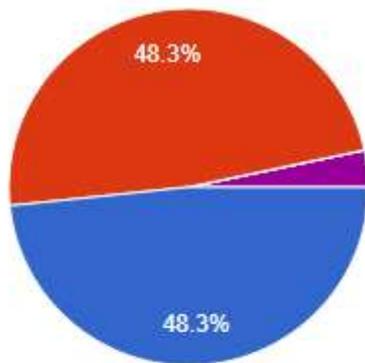
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- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree
- Don't Know

My child has friends at school

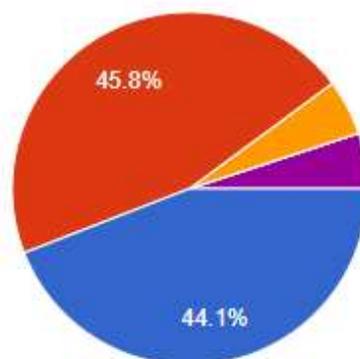
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- Strongly Agree
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- Strongly Disagree
- Don't Know

My child enjoys reading

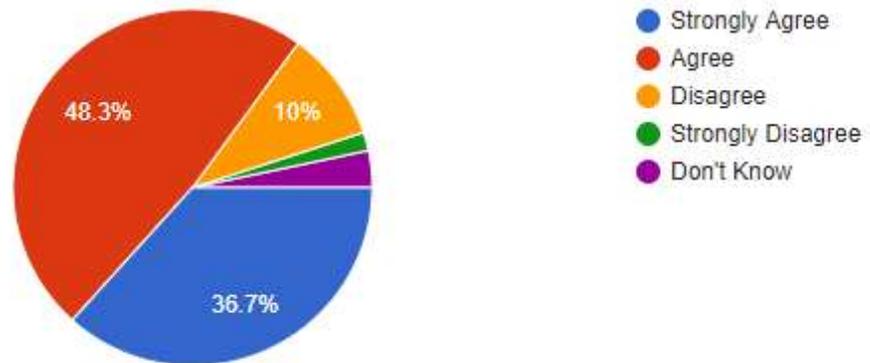
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- Strongly Agree
- Agree
- Disagree
- Strongly Disagree
- Don't Know

My child enjoys writing

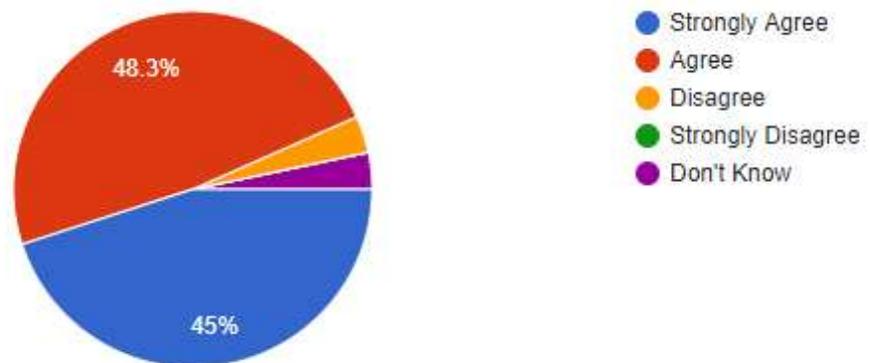
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We are working hard to make writing even more enjoyable and hope to continue to increase the number of pupils that love to write.

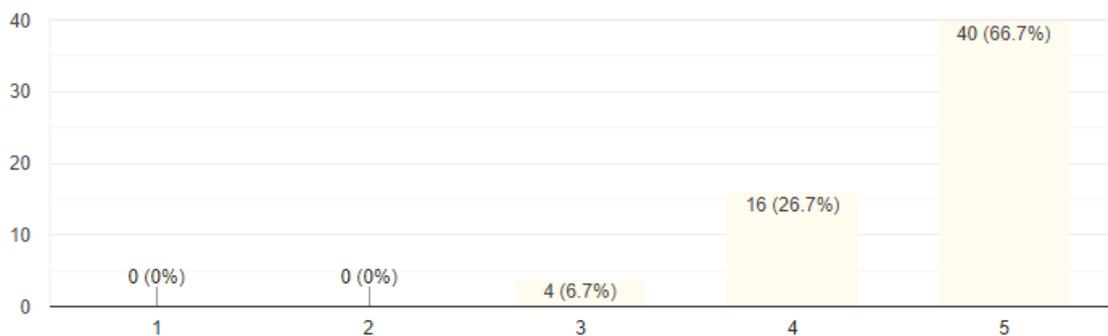
My child enjoys mathematics

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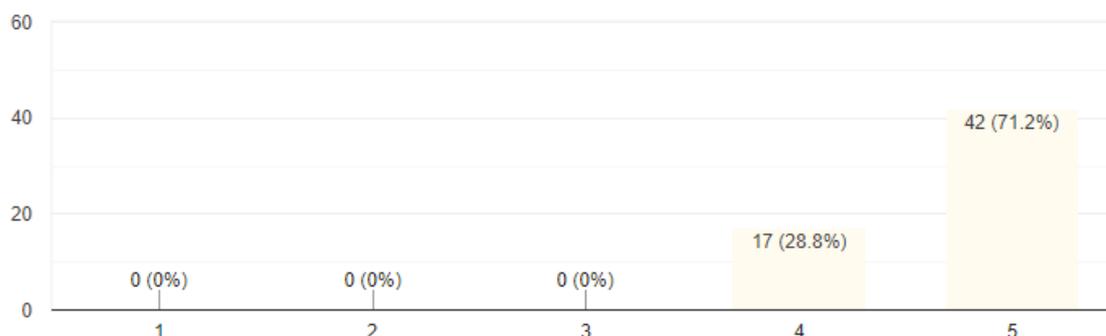
We are continually trying to improve how we communicate with parents through the use of the newsletter, email, twitter, texts and the website. How do you think we are doing?

60 responses



The weekly online newsletters is our main communication tool for parents. What do you think of them?

59 responses



We're pleased that the weekly newsletter is a useful tool for communication and we will continue to use this as our main tool for communication.

If any, can you think of further ways to improve communication?

- More input from my child's class on Twitter as I don't seem to see what my child is up to as much as previous years

As a school, we send out a considerable number of tweets to showcase and celebrate what is happening in every class. Naturally, some classes will tweet more than others but we will keep trying our best for all classes to send a number of tweets across the week.

- I would like parents to be invited to a quarterly lesson similar to the Mathletics which gave us an understanding of how the school teaches different subjects. From this we've been able to help my son more at home, by teaching in the same methods of the school.

When possible (due to covid), we will continue events where parents come into school to learn alongside their child.

- Perhaps a parent app where we could message teachers directly. Not to put extra pressure on their workload but as something extra to follow on from Tapestry.

If you would like to message a teacher direct you can always send an email via office@parkfield.rochdale.sch.uk and the message will make its way to the class teacher. It may not be as effective as an app (such as Tapestry) but does allow us to support a teachers workload.

- Sometimes information can be a bit last minute
- If you could invite parents in school for a one to one with the teacher eg parents evening
- It was the first parents evening tonight and I felt like we didn't have enough time over the zoom to discuss things properly. This was no fault of Mrs Price and she told me the most she could about my daughter in the short time we had on the meeting but unfortunately it just got cut off as soon as the 5 minutes was up.

- A little longer at parents evening. Some direction or table of what is expected of your child/year group. i.e Mathematics , reading etc. I feel my child doesn't quite understand so isn't passing on the correct info to me.

We will send regular reminders of this on the newsletter and via email.

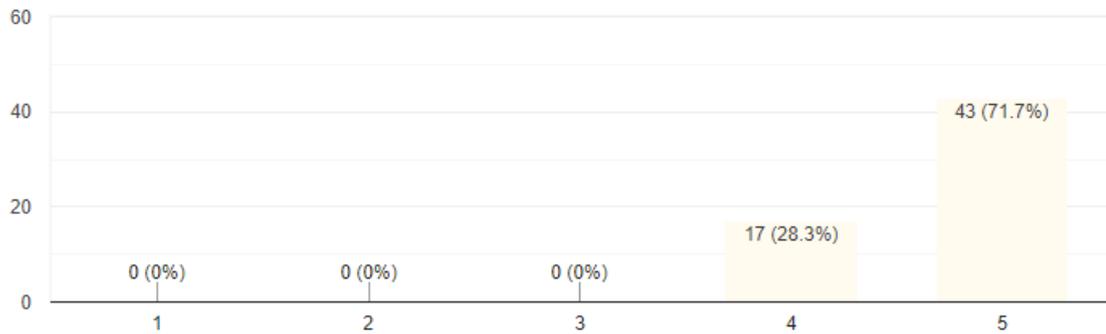
- I find text messages the best way to send reminders.

We will continue to send text messages but as these are expensive to send we will continue to limit their use and focus on the use on emails. We will also promote the use of the Gateway App as this is a free alternative to text messages.

Meeting online for parents evening does have its advantages but we accept that face to face will always be the best way to meet to discuss a child's progress. Although meetings are still only 5 minutes, they feel much more personal. We hope to return to these types of meetings in the Spring term but may be in a position to offer online meetings for those that would prefer.

How would you rate the school website?

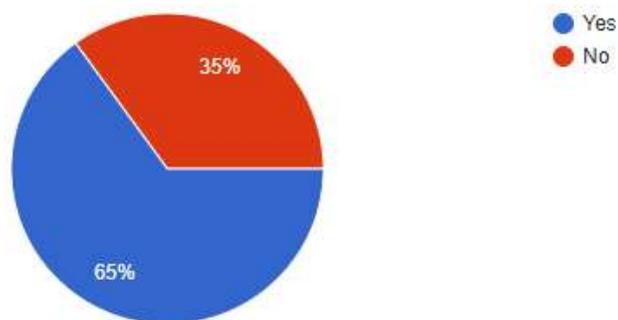
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We are very pleased with our website and are pleased you rate the website highly.

Our whole curriculum is now available on the school website. Have you accessed this section of the website?

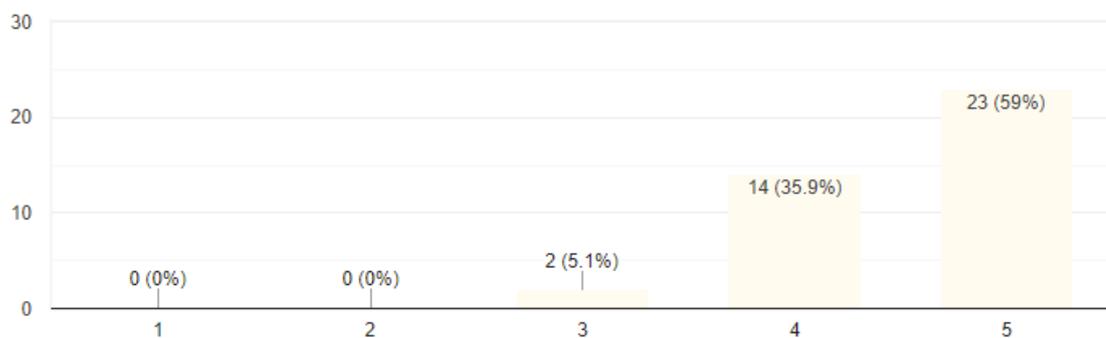
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We will be promoting this more on our newsletters so that 100% of parents have visited that section of the website. It provides you with a wealth of information about what your children are learning, enabling you to help more at home.

How useful do you find the curriculum section of the website?

39 responses



What do you like about the school website?

- Easy to navigate
- That all the links to mathletics, showbie etc are easily accessible and all info can be found on the website
- Loads of information and easy to navigate
- Easy to use and main sources can be seen at beginning
- School menu to view. School and childrens achievements.
- Bright and inviting
- It keeps you updated
- Everything relevant gathered in one place.
- It's easy to follow and look up things when needed
- So well organised and easy to navigate, by far the best school website I've ever visited. Mr Haughton is a credit to Parkfield.
- Its easy to navigate and has lots of information
- The Website has all the updated Information you need to know as a parent
- It keeps parents updated with what is happening at school
- Clear, easy to navigate, regularly updated, the school calendar.
- Absolutely everything. Above and beyond what anyone else is doing and has the answers and information I could ever want and more. It's fantastic. Mr Haughton is a credit to the school for sure.
- Contains relevant information
- Easy to navigate around for both myself and Lucia. Also looks good
- Clear and easy to navigate
- Photos
- Links to daily photos to show activities that the children have been involved in, calendar of events etc
- We love the school website, it's easy to navigate and has absolutely everything we could need to know.
- Most of the information I've needed I've got from there
- Very easy to navigate around and the diary of events
- You can link to mathletics etc
- I find it very user friendly.
- Has everything you need
- Clear and easy to use. I love the twitter posts of what each class has been upto.
- Full of information and easy to get around it.
- Access to all the things we would need, very easy to get around
- Easy to find what I'm looking for
- Can find out useful information
- How well it's explained and set out
- Find out about use information and updates
- It has all the information I need
- I like that you share photos my child

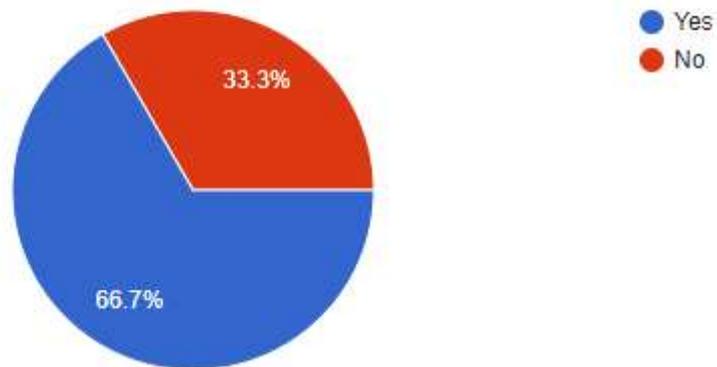
How could we improve the school website?

- It's brilliant already
- No it's good.
- I don't think you can.
- Nothing. Perfection.
- Nothing I can think of
- Nothing
- No
- No improvements needed
- Nothing it's brilliant

Thanks for the positive feedback although we will always continue to constantly review and improve our website.

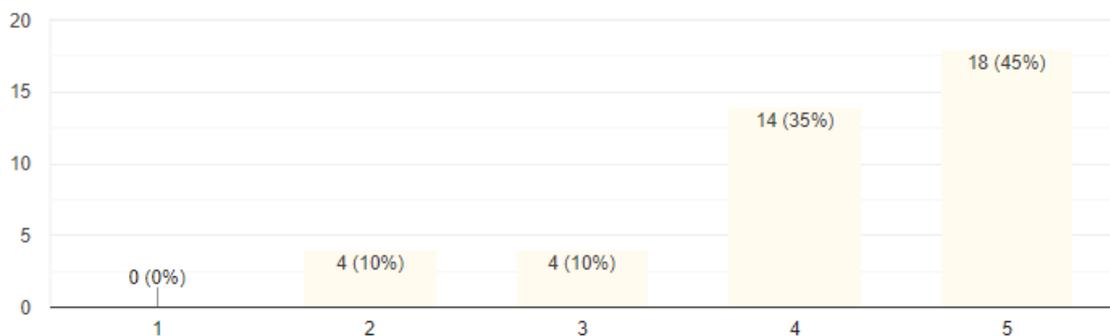
Does your child have a school dinner?

60 responses



Does your child enjoy school dinners?

40 responses



What does your child like about school dinners?

- My son likes the fact you get to choose your own food
- He only seems to eat pasta
- Tasty
- Variety and that she can choose
- Different options
- Wedges
- Multiple choices
- The variety
- Meat balls and pizza. Or paninis! Or whatever as long as there is a choice. And there always is :)
- Jacket and beans for some reason
- Judith's cottage pie! Mum's is not a patch on schools! 😊
- He loves pasta
- Desserts
- Eating with her friends
- Having the choice
- They are yummy and delicious and my daughter loves them a lot. She said they help her grow.
- Pasta
- Different options and likes the menu
- Jacket potato with cheese.
- My child is very fussy and i sometimes struggle to find out what he's had each day because his teacher is very busy at the end of the day which I completely understand.
- Variety and deserts
- The different choices
- The fact they can have a jacket, pasta or sandwich if they don't like the choice.
- Jacket potatoes cheese/beans
- To be able to chose
- Nice choices and if there isn't something they fancy pasta, jacket potatoes and sandwiches are always available.
- Jelly and cake
- Pizza and dessert

Is there anything we can do to improve school dinners?

- My daughter dislikes that Y6 are always last to eat
- More choice
- Cater more for the fussy eaters
- Put on an option everyday that more children with additional needs would like and eat
- Stop the wholemeal pasta, they hate it and it's no different nutrition-wise than standard white pasta!
- Perhaps larger portions for older ones
- White pasta instead of wholemeal as an additional option
- Give more variety
- Option of vinegar on the chips
- Not too sure
- Would be nice to send a menu home and children select with parents
- A choice of 3 main meals?
- She seems to have the same thing everyday and without being there to help her choose something different it's hard to change. Not sure what school can do to help? Maybe a targeted lunch card earn stickers per different meal they try?
- More options for the fussy little ones
- He always has the same, letting parents order the child food would be good
- More healthy and wholesome food

It is great to see the majority of pupils enjoy school dinners. We will share these comments with the kitchen. Our menu has always got to meet school food standards to ensure they are nutritious and healthy and this can sometimes limit the food choices on offer. However, we do our best to cater for individual needs and if you are worried about what your child is eating – please let us know.

Some schools do offer pupils the ability to order meals at home but we're not currently in the position to do this. However, after talking to schools that use this approach, they have said that the system isn't perfect because children do regularly change their minds.

We'll update you with any future changes.

What do you like most about Parkfield Primary School?

- Small and friendly
- It's a small school and easy to build a relationship with the teachers
- How friendly staff are and how inclusive it feels for parents
- Always make learning fun and do lots of extra activities and trips
- Staff are fab.
- Some of the teachers
- Friendly staff. Inviting environment and activities.
- Friendly and caring staff
- He's make many friends and play
- Caring and loving
- Teachers and sports
- I myself went to Parkfield
- The staff are all utterly fantastic. I really like seeing pictures on Twitter during the day.
- Your care and support. And professionalism. Huge "Thank you!"
- All the children look happy. I also like the fact the children go on trips regularly. I'm great believer that children learn more by seeing and feeling and walking the ground for example in history.
- Too much to mention it all but a few:
 - inclusive, every child is valued, respected, and well supported.
 - it's a happy nurturing environment.
 - personal and genuine to everyone child.
 - dedicated staff members. Please continue to make them feel valued, supported and appreciated.
- The ethos. I like how everyone is included and supported.
- I like how personalised it is and how the teacher and head teacher makes such an effort to talk to all parents
- The staff are very helpful and always make time
- How staff go out of there way to help in any way they can
- My daughter likes History and Art and everything. We love the school's use of website, bulletins, curriculum and positive and kind environment.
- Friendly and caring learning environment
- Mr Kemp is always visible, knows the children by name and has a really good relationship with all the children
- Curriculum
- Small, friendly, approachable
- We have always loved the wonderful sense of family values at Parkfield, we feel our children's well-being is prioritised as well as their academic progress.
- It's like a family
- Small school and how Mr Kemp remembers the kids names
- Friendly and a lovely environment for children to feel safe in. I love the teacher's presence during drop off and pick up. Every member of staff from office to head

teacher are pleasant and welcoming and I am completely confident leaving my children there.

- How personal it is and how lovely all the staff are
- Friendly school
- The staff, curriculum and the memorable days the children have.
- Small inclusive friendly school
- All staff are friendly and warming
- Everything
- The communication given to parents. Also the Parkfielder spirit the children and staff have. It makes me feel very proud as a parent.
- All members of staff are friendly and welcoming and take the time out to listen to you if you need them at any time.
- All the teachers are great and I love how Mr Kemp stand and greets the children and parents every morning and evening, I really don't want my son to leave but hopefully his sister will be starting.
- Very kind and respectful
- It's a small school so more access to children that need extra help if needed
- A fun and supportive school environment and committed, happy and effective teaching staff
- Friendly and supportive atmosphere
- All good

Thanks for those comments. They will be shared with staff at the school to remind them about the fabulous job they're doing.

How can we make Parkfield Primary School even better?

- Do not do virtual parents evening, getting cut off whilst discussing your child's progress or concerns is not ideal!
- More outside learning and more extra curricular activities

We agree and this is a focus for the school at the moment.

- We think you and your staff do a great job
- I think all the staff are doing a great job and I trust you to make these decisions because they have been right so far.
- By continuing all the hard work.
- More support and encouragement when children have a particular flare for a subject
- Extend the parents evening time. We didn't need to meet the teacher this year because my daughter has already had this teacher. But we did need the parents evening and 4 minutes is nowhere near long enough. Otherwise we love the school and Mr Kemp alongside the teachers and admin staff have and are doing an amazing job. Thankyou
- Something I've mentioned previously, maybe monitor children over time that want to partake in councils etc. so it isn't always the same children being chosen across

roles available / year on year, thus resulting in those that never get selected to not want to put themselves in the future

- We can't wait for the good old pre covid days, of school discos, family game nights and Christmas events.

Neither can we! 😊

- Nothing I can think of just keep doing what your doing
- You can't
- You couldn't
- More choice of after school clubs/ The year 4s having the sports club on a different day to PE day to have them active on different days
- Nothing
- School Library

Any other comments?

- Thank you for everything you do, you are all amazing!!
- Parents Evening needs to be longer than 5 minutes. This is simply not enough time to go through your child's progress.
- Thank you to reception teachers for helping my child settle so quickly and teaching him so many new things in such a short space of time!
- Our children are both really proud to be Parkfielders. They both love learning and have both made lots of friends.
- I particularly like the spelling sheets in year 6. It had the spelling, definition and a sentence with each spelling in.
- Mrs Jeffrey and Mr Barnes are doing amazingly at supporting year 6 in these tough times. I feel they really know and understand my son's needs. Thank you both very much for all you do. It doesn't go unnoticed.
- There is still a number of dogs on the playground regularly. I think perhaps people think the rule doesn't apply to them if they are holding their dog.

We will keep reminding parents of this. Thanks

- It would be really nice to see a bit more of what my child's class have been up to on twitter.
- Thank you to all the wonderful staff who all work so hard. My son has transitioned into year 2 brilliantly and is happy and settled. Mrs Law regularly goes above and beyond (like offering her own time so my son could attend an after school club) and is a real asset to school. I am so glad that we chose Parkfield- My son is absolutely thriving and progressing in a way which is far beyond what I expected. Thank you for all your hard work.
- Really happy with Parkfield school on the whole.
- The virtual parents evening are not good at all, feeling rushed when you have things you would like to discuss before the call ends.
- Thanks for everything you do I love this school and I'm so happy with everything
- I am confident I have made the right chose for my little girl in terms of schools. I would like to thank all the staff for their hard work and dedication through such a stressful ever changing time. X
- Parents evening is not long enough, I don't like the call ending so abruptly mid sentence.
- Thank you for giving my son the best start to his education journey!

Thanks again for all your comments.