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Parents' Evening Questionnaire Results

The purpose of the questionnaire was to gain feedback about the format and timing of our parents evening and to see if parents would prefer alternative communication regarding their child's progress.

Number of respondents: 45

Parents attending both evenings 43 = 96%	Usually attend one 2 = 4% (both attend March)	No I don't attend 0%
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Parents' Evening Booking - How well do you think this system works?

Works Well 43 = 96%	Needs to improve 2 = 4% <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Times are difficult if you cannot leave work early. • Doesn't work when time slots overrun.
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Parent's Evening Timing - We hold 2 parents' evenings per year in November and March 3.40-6.30pm

Question	Yes	No
Do you think these are appropriate times of year for tracking your child's development?	39 = 87%	6 = 13%
Are these times suitable for you?	44 = 98%	1 = 2%
Do you usually get your preferred time slot?	45 = 100%	0%
Would you prefer more than two evenings? (Both currently Thursdays)	14 = 31%	31 = 69%

Of those answering yes: Another day of the week option would be preferred.

Alternative Options - If the school was to consider an alternative to face to face parents' evenings:

Telephone Appointment 5 = 11%	Email Update 17 = 38%	Tracker Report Card 15 = 33%	Other 1 = 2% Not specified
Would you like this to replace one or both parents' evenings?		One 11 = 24%	Both 3 = 7%
		None 24 = 53% (7 = 16% unanswered)	

Comments:

- Format is good as it is.
- I have 3 children and you have always accommodated that.
- It would be ideal to keep track of rewards, certificates, cards/detention on a tracker card.
- I like face to face meetings with the children.
- I think November is too early – maybe one in February and one in June would be more useful.
- Parents' evenings are great but think one is enough as we lead busy lives. If there is a concern the teacher can contact the parent for a meeting. What is the uptake on parents evenings – are they needed these days?
- Being able to choose a time slot is really useful.
- This year they seemed close together – I would prefer October for settling in issues then April. I like face to face.
- The parents' evening work well and are smoothly run. I don't think 2 are necessary but I do not have worries about my child, if I did then maybe I would feel the need for more contact.
- Timings work well providing both teachers are running to time if you have more than one child.
- It's important to have face to face meetings for parents and teachers to put faces to names as many parents work and hardly see the teacher. It would be helpful to have monthly email updates highlighting any learning needs.
- Pupils who usher you to the classroom are very polite and well mannered. The system works well in my opinion.
- Easy & stress free – very happy with the system. I would prefer the second one to be closer to the end of the academic year. Email or tracker on progress or struggles would be useful.
- We like face to face as we don't get to the school very often. This allows time with teacher.
- Face to face is superior. Offering an alternative day would work due to so many after school activities the children have.
- Later time slots would be useful as it's not always possible to finish work early.
- The co-ordination between both children has always worked well – thank you.
- There is great value in face to face, I don't think that can be replaced.
- It's great that you co-ordinate with other classes when there is more than one child at the school. I like face to face so I can ask questions. I also like seeing the environment the children are working in and seeing their work. It must be helpful for the teacher to meet the parents too.
- I want to continue to see my child's teacher.
- We missed the last appointment due to work commitments so an email update would have made a good alternative.
- An online booking system would work better.
- We think both parents' evenings are very important. Face to face is better, as well as the academic progress we like to find out about other aspects of school life.