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Dear Parent/Carer,

Parent View

At Downham we believe that parents are vital to the success of the school. As you are aware, during the autumn parents' evenings we asked you to fill in a survey about the school. These results were then shared with you and I wanted to update you with what we have been doing in school in response to your opinions.

Homework was something which many of you (12%) felt was not appropriate for your child. Since then, we have met as a Senior Leadership Team to discuss homework. In the summer, I will be canvassing your views on homework to ensure that in September we have a more consistent approach throughout the school. Some of you (8%) felt that as a school we did not deal effectively with bullying and 30% of you did not know how we tackled this issue. Since this, we have sent more information to parents on school policies for bullying and we have launched a new lunchtime reward system to encourage good manners and behaviour, something the children have responded really positively to. We also hold an annual parent forum focussing on behaviour to keep you up to date with how we monitor the behaviour in the school.

We have also run a number of parent forums at different times during the school day and after school to keep you up to date with: changes to the curriculum, homework, and the school's progress since OFSTED to name a few.

I am very interested to find out how you feel we as a school are performing and would like to canvas your thoughts again this term. As a result, I am attaching with this letter the results from the Autumn Term as well as the following link to OFSTED's parent view <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>. We would really appreciate you taking the time to fill in parent view by accessing the above website. Our leadership team will then analyse the results weekly to see how the school is performing in your eyes. If you are unable to access the website at home then please come in to school to see me and I can allow you access to one of the computers in our ICT suite to complete.

We passionately believe that the support you are giving to the school is helping us to move forward and would like to thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

M. Williams

Mr M. Williams
Deputy Headteacher

