

Family Engagement Survey

April 2022

Research shows that when schools, parents, and wider community work together they achieve the most positive outcomes for young people. At Elrick School and Nursery we aim to foster positive relationships and create an ethos which encourages strong partnership working.

In April 2022, we surveyed our families to gather thoughts on how we can improve Family Engagement at Elrick. The table below illustrates what our families wanted and what we are doing to take this forward.

You said . . .	We did . . .
Return to face-to-face Parent evenings	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Face to face parents evening planned for October and March.
Open events – opportunities to visit the classroom and see around the school	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Open evening in September with a save the date issued in June to allow parents to plan.• Community partners invited to attend to increase partnership working and raise awareness of the support and services available.
Sharing the learning events. Opportunities to come into school in person to see the children engage in activities/performances	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All classes have been asked to plan a ‘Sharing the Learning’ afternoon during Terms 2-4 and provide details of this with plenty notice for parents/families.
Seesaw used effectively and consistently across all stages	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A Seesaw steering group has been established and clear guidelines issued to staff to ensure consistent expectations from N-P7.• Weekly drop-in sessions have been established to support staff development in using Seesaw effectively to share learning progress.• Guidance and support have been available for families to get set up on Seesaw via our school admin team.
Opportunities for volunteering in school	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Information regarding how parents and families can support in school through volunteering was issued in April 2022<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PVG process undertaken.• Rota of volunteers in place to support with a variety of school activities including class

	support, outdoor learning, admin support and school trips
More involvement in school improvement planning/support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 2022 – survey issued to parents relating to standards and quality and school improvement • Standards and Quality Report and School Improvement Plan for 2022-23 shared at Parent Council meeting in September • Standard and Quality Report and School Improvement Plan for 2022-23 published on school website • Pupil Council and Parent Council joint meeting (3.10.22) to explore ways to work together on joint initiatives for school improvement
Family workshops	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A sequence of family curriculum workshops planned for Terms 3 and 4 according to needs and interests identified
Family fundays/fundraising events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas Fayre planned for Sunday 4th December (joint event co-planned between Pupil and Parent Council. Classes to look at enterprise projects) • May funday to be reintroduced May 2023
Timely notice of events with consideration to working families	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Save the dates announcements sent out in advance of events via groupcall or Seesaw • Daytime, evening, and weekend events planned