

GELLISWICK CHURCH IN WALES VC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope this letter finds you well. We recently conducted a parent safeguarding survey to gather your valuable feedback on our school's efforts to ensure the safety and well-being of our pupils here in Gelliswick. I am pleased to share the results with you.

Survey Highlights:

1. **Overall Satisfaction:** We are delighted to report that nearly all (98%) of parents expressed satisfaction with our current safeguarding measures. Nearly all parents said that their child is happy in school. Nearly all parents know that their child's health and wellbeing is integral to the work of Gelliswick school.
2. **Communication:** Many of you appreciated the regular updates and open lines of communication between the school and parents.
3. **Safety Protocols:** The majority of parents feel confident in our safety protocols, including our response to emergencies and our anti-bullying policies.
4. **Areas for Improvement:** Some parents asked for workshops for parents on how to support their children's online safety at home.

Next Steps:

Based on your feedback, we are committed to making the following improvements:

- **Enhanced Training:** We will provide additional training sessions for our staff to ensure they are up to date with the latest Kiva (Anti-bullying) processes and systems and provide training for any new member of staff that hasn't used the Kiva materials to support planning.
- **Parent Workshops:** We will organise workshops for parents to equip you with the knowledge and tools to support your children's safety. We will roll out Kiva information for parents.
- **Increased Communication:** We will strive to provide more frequent updates on safeguarding matters, curriculum coverage, and specific incidents. Additionally, we will inform you in advance about important events such as fire drills and other safety exercises.
- **Road Safety:** We will continue to address road safety concerns, including traffic congestion at the start and end of the school day, to ensure a safer environment for our pupils.


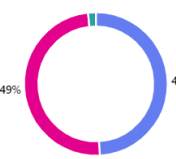
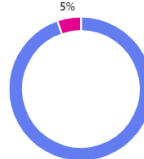
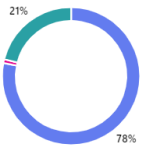
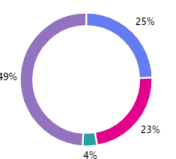
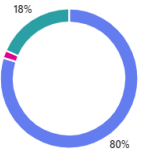

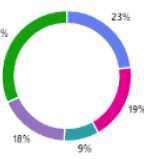
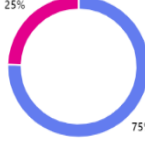
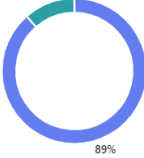
We greatly appreciate your participation in the survey and your ongoing support in making our school a safe and nurturing environment for all pupils. If you have any further suggestions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your continued partnership.

Warm regards,

Andrea Reynolds, Deputy Headteacher

Parents Safeguarding survey results Autumn 2024

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<p>I know about the UNCRC (United Nations Convention of the Rights of the child) which is to ensure pupils receive the best possible education</p>	<p>The school has offered me the opportunity to learn about Online Safety and how to keep my</p>														

and outcomes to which they are entitled.



child safe when using the Internet.



My child knows to return to the school building immediately on hearing a long whistle in the event of an external danger such as, the close proximity of a dangerous animal roaming loose.



My child knows what to do in the event of a fire in school.



When my child is ill or injured the school acts promptly and appropriately to deal with the situation. such as a phone call home for head injuries or a message on dojo explaining the reason for First Aid.



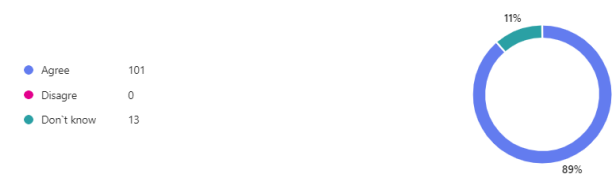
The school site is kept safe.



The school controls access to the school during the day, preventing any unauthorised adults getting into school.



.When my child is taken on a school visit, I am confident that the procedures in place keep my child safe.



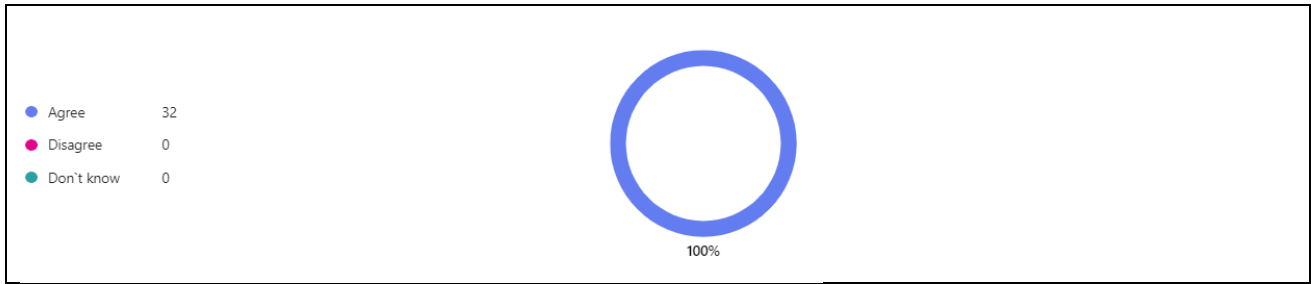
I feel confident and able to report any concerns or complaints to the school regarding my child's safety.



Does your child attend after school provision?



I feel confident that my child is safe at any of the school clubs that are run out of school hours.



Your feedback	Our ways forward.....
Food menu does not cater for pupil with sensory issues.	The catering department in County Hall will discuss any further dietary needs with parents.
Sliding door in the hall is a hazard.	We have reported any issues with the sliding doors to the local authority. There is a specific risk assessment for the movement of the sliding doors in the hall.
Poor management of year 3 pupils being let out at the end of the school day.	Thank you for this feedback. We are currently revising our dismissal procedures.
Leather footballs causing harm to pupils.	Pupils are not allowed to bring in leather footballs to school. Our First aid policy stipulates parent are to be contacted policy in the event of a head injury.
Bullying- My child has been bullied and nothing was done about it.	Gelliswick is a KiVa school. If you suspect your child is being bullied, you can contact the class teacher or anyone in the Kiva team who will investigate further. KiVa team Mrs Reynolds- Deputy Headteacher Ms E Evans -Community officer Mrs T Awcock-Family liaison officer Mrs S Mountstevens-SLT for lower school Miss J Ralph-SLT for upper school Mrs N Davies–ALNco
I would like help with strategies and interventions to deal with a child who's unhappy at school.	If you have concerns about your child being unhappy at school, please contact their class teacher immediately. Our Family Liaison officer, Mrs A is always available. School provides a wealth of wellbeing interventions such as ELSA, Trauma therapy etc.
I feel children need more lessons in stranger danger, also I believe pupils would benefit from having 1 punch in to educate on bullying and the effects of physical assault. Due to the rise in children being	Our curriculum strongly focuses on school values. This includes a range of lessons that teach children about personal safety and boundaries. Our curriculum also responds to events both in and out of school, addressing inappropriate and unsafe behaviour and promoting Restorative practices.

assaulted in schools and outside of schools.	
I feel that the school needs to apply regular pressure on local council and police authorities to monitor traffic outside school during peak times, as congestion becomes an issue of safety for children even walking on the pavement.	School continues to work with PCC over traffic issues. We ask that parents take active journeys where possible and utilise the 'Walking bus'. We again remind parents to park safely and legally and not drop off on the zig zag lines on the crossing.
The use of images of school children online/social media. Whilst I respect the opt in/out policy, I believe access to such pages should be restricted in a safer way.	We follow the ICO (information commissioner's office) guidance on the use of images in school.
I do find that some teachers and staff make you feel judged and unable to approach them	We are saddened to hear that any member of our school community feels like this. We have an open-door policy, please contact a member of the school's SLT (Senior leadership team) if you have any concerns.
Complained on how first aid was, and nothing was done.	We are not aware of any recent complaint. If you have any concerns, please contact the school if you would like to discuss it.
I don't feel like I could approach the school for help	We have an open-door policy in Gelliswick, if you can't speak to someone in person, you can contact the HT or any class teacher through the dojo app.

Positive feedback

We received many positive comments, thank you. Here are a selection:

"Thank you for prioritising the safety and well-being of my child, and ensuring he is feeling secure and happy in order to get the most out of his education at Gelliswick school."

"Thank you for providing a safe space for my children to learn and grow, your core values are shining through them every day."

"I happy with the school I wouldn't send my child to any other school. My little grandson is more than looked after. His needs are met. He loves school and is progressing so well."

"The school deal with accidents/incidents exceptionally well by communicating accident forms via dojo/telephone call home."

"I think the school does a great job of keeping the kids safe".