

Parent View Comments May 2019

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What do you like most about Highburton C.E (vc) First school?

Variety of activities that children do. Our child is very happy here.

Friendly, family feel.

Loving safe fun environment.

Friendly village school, approachable staff, children encouraged to do their best.

Ethics and values of the school. Celebrations at Kirkburton Church. Our child has made phenomenal academic progress in year 3 this year. Mrs Tahir is concerned not only about the educational development of our child but also the emotional and social wellbeing – excellent nurturing. We like Mrs Tahir's calm and consistent approach to the class. It has enabled our child to feel safe and thus her confidence has developed. Our child loves to come to school. We very much value our child's place at the school.

The size the intimacy this brings with it.

Everything! Such a lovely school. Fantastic staff, lovely feel to it. My child loves coming and you can't get better than that.

Friendly and happy environment with very pleasant staff.

Evan is really happy and does lots of interesting things. Staff are very friendly.

The help and support everyone puts in to the children's education and welfare. My child loves coming to school and loves his teacher (Mr Easby).

I like that my son enjoys coming to school and the staff are friendly and approachable.

The good range of events, school trips and concerts done by the children. Getting parents involved with activities and trips. Friendly and happy environment. Enthusiasm for TT Rockstars.

How you are able to talk to any teacher regarding your concerns.

I like the range of subjects and opportunities for learning.

My child enjoys coming to school each morning. The progress over the year has been great. Always lots going on – events, groups etc.

That my children are taught other things than Maths/English etc. They enjoy baking, planting and creating and I think this is great for their development.

Teachers and staff are all very friendly and helpful. Good communication – Messages, parent pay etc.

Good teaching, approachable staff. A good variety of after school clubs. Good communications via SMS and letters.

A very friendly school.

Small community school. Church ethos. Friendly staff. Nice building.

My child enjoys attending school which is most important.

Relationships between teacher and student – student is encouraged at all times to improve.

That my child enjoys coming and is doing well.

Friendly teachers that go out of their way to ensure that your child is progressing how they should.

Mrs Tahir has been absolutely fantastic this year in class 3. All the teachers are approachable. The structure of the day ie – starting with reading every day.

Friendly atmosphere in and around school. Outdoor learning opportunities. Good communication via newsletter and text reminders.

The community feel of the school. The approachability of the staff. Wider curriculum/Experiences are very good.

Forest school. All the creative and additional curriculum stuff. Links to church.

The teachers are amazing at Highburton C.E School, I feel my children are very happy and are progressing very well, thank you.

The communication with parents is brilliant and the teachers work very hard to try and get the children to reach targets.

The school has a family feel to it which I think is important for the children. They get to mix with different children which is also very positive. My child loves to come to school which makes me very happy.

Learning about Maths, phonics and computers (Williams answer). Staff seem really kind and nurturing.

Our child has made rapid progress since starting in September. She has a real love of learning.

It's our local school, it's nice that it's C of E and our child is happy here.

Teachers – Everyone is a credit to the school. From the headteacher to the helping staff, you are what makes this school great.

The teachers are amazing and the school.

The teachers are amazing and helpful.

The teachers are amazing and friendly.

Reports, people, after school clubs, meals and location.

My daughter loves RE. She enjoys the challenges in maths. Very well organised and efficient. The concerts and assemblies.

My children enjoy coming to school. I feel that school is helping to develop my children into well-rounded, independent and happy individuals who are confident and excited to learn.

Very inclusive school. Happy atmosphere, my child wants to learn and gets the appropriate support she needs.

Approachable and friendly staff.

My daughter has now had both Mrs Tahir and Mrs Illingworth. They are both fabulous teachers and have done wonders for Flora's confidence.

Small and Friendly.

How friendly everyone is, all the staff are very approachable. Our first 2 years have been lovely, Thank you.

Friendly, warm atmosphere, good teaching, children are all very happy at school, forest school, bee keeping and outside learning.

Everything!

Friendly nurturing environment. Mrs Smith has been great.

What would you like us to do better?

More forest school and outdoor learning especially for KS2 as my child reports that they don't get to do it anymore.

Grouping children into different types of learning groups depending on how they learn.

More activities at lunchtime especially facilitated by staff.

Give allowance of approximately 10 days per school year, per child where you allow them to be absent in school terms as some other Kirklees schools do. To enable whole families to take affordable holidays.

Nothing – carry on as you are.

I can't think of anything that can be done better. We think it is great.

Nothing at the moment.

Nothing

Could give us more regular feedback about what we can do at home to help progress.

I would like my children to have more opportunity to carry on doing the after school sports activities, so they can improve further for next year.

Better communication with parents.

Concerns regarding school meals being 'not very nice' and feedback in school council not being listened to. More children in class having packed lunches than school meals.

Give more information about different maths strategies so we can help her more at home. Provide more additional provision for children below national average in academic. More PSE work.

Very happy.

More encouragement in Maths and English – perhaps more homework given.

More feedback how my child is getting on.

More assistant teachers/ helpers.

I would prefer the last parents' evening to be before May. School trips could be more fun orientated as opposed to always being educational. Online reports feel impersonal, written reports are easier to read and review. Would be great for new footprints to be put to use with the 'mile a day' concept as part of daily routine.

No complaints 😊

A little more notice with some events such as non-uniform/dress up days – in the main these are on newsletter well in advance however sometimes parents are informed last minute.

There is nothing we feel you could do better. 😊

More welcoming to the surrounding community and siblings. More trips in reception.

Try not to put parents under pressure for too many school trips etc.

Try to add more physical outdoor activities. Try not to send too much homework.

I'm happy with the school, I don't have anything at this moment in time.

More educational visits/ experience.

More staff to help struggling pupils. This will get worse with more houses being built.

I know it's a C of E school but less focus on religion and more on life sciences would be my only comment on improvement. Keep up the great work!

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More tips on methodology of how to teach maths (the way the children learn it).

More opportunity for communication.

No homework in school holidays! 😊

Let parents know more frequently areas that children need to work on.

We love it!