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Dear Parents and Carers,

The views of parents and carers are extremely important to us at Hazeldene. Each year we survey parents and carers to seek their views. This academic year was our most comprehensive questionnaire yet. Thank you for participating. 223 questionnaires were completed.

The results from the November 2017 can be found on the website. They are extremely positive. In particular, 100% of respondents strongly agree or agree that their child feels safe at school. 100% of respondents strongly agree or agree that the school is well led and managed.

Whilst 80% of parents agree or strongly agree that the current levels of homework were appropriate, 16% did not. We wanted to address the concerns indicated in the results and the subsequent conversations with parents/carers. In principle the concerns were to do with the high volume of work that the children were asked to do. As a consequence the homework policy was reviewed across the school and a letter outlining the revised approach was sent to all parents and carers in December 2017.

In February 2018, we asked parents and carers to complete a short follow-up homework questionnaire to evaluate whether the changes had made a difference. In February 2018, 91% of respondents agreed that the current levels of homework are appropriate with 9% disagreeing or didn't know. These results were more pleasing and we will continue to address individual concerns.

The data also told us that 81% of parents and carers believe the governing body leads the school well but 18% did not know. In response, the governing body has composed an action plan outlining their approach to communication opportunities with parents and carers.

82% of respondents believe their child has access to a range of extra curricular activities and clubs. 10% disagreed or strongly disagreed and 18% did not know. Our range of activities is continually under review. We would like to thank Mr Loft who is running Drama Club in Key Stage Two this term. Homework Club is now also up and running in Key Stage 2. We are continuing to explore new opportunities.

Thank you again for your feedback. Please do get in touch if you have any views that you would like share.

Yours sincerely,

The Senior Leadership Team

