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56 responses

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Sports outside school hours should be encouraged further.

No

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Extended schools

Trim trail is amazing but I think more resources are needed for outside play at lunch and break time

Maybe further develop the after schools clubs.

Anti bullying policy

Irish language provision - even one session a week would be great (maybe you're already doing that?)

ASD is on the rise, having a specially modified ASD unit would be fantastic for the community as a whole and would in turn provide further funding for the school.

Baseline for p1 - i feel info from parents and feedback to parents is crucial here

I would welcome advice on homework and how much the kids should be doing. I'd like more frequent updates for the older kids if there's areas of development I need to focus on. I hear other schools talk about 11plus from p5 and worry in case my child should be doing more.

Could there be more mandarin lessons, my daughter has really enjoyed this and couldn't wait for the next lessons.

Think school is very progressive. The curriculum emphasis seems to have changed a lot these years (my oldest is 20) with mostly concentration on mathematics and literacy basics but I notice there is little/ no English story writing or reviews etc this P5 year. I see a lot of children now in university who cannot structure their writing in a coherent manner. Would be concerned that's being ignored. It's a skill that's being lost.