



Sample parent survey

Anytown School Parent Council

Introduction

Hello. I wonder if you could spare a few minutes. My name is and I'm a member of the Parent Council. One of the things we do as a Parent Council is support the school by involving all parents as far as possible. We know that everyone is busy but it would really help us if you could answer a few questions about your interests and skills and whether you feel you have time to get involved in some way to support your child and all children at the school.

By answering this you are not making any commitment and you don't have to take part but it would really help us to plan activities for parents and children in the future. [If parent refuses, offer them the form to fill in at home and return to school if this is what they would prefer.]

Could you tell me your name and which classes your children are in.

Parents name	Child/Children's class(es)
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Question 1

Do you think you have any particular interests, experiences or skills that could help the school in any way? May be just two or three things?

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There may be things that you already do at home, cooking, DIY, sewing or craft activities, gardening, decorating.

There may be skills that you use at work, IT skills, typing, web design, catering.

You may have interests or hobbies, sports activities, or arts and music skills or interests that you could share.



Question 2

We know that all parents are very busy people but we would like to ask if you have any time that you could spare to support the school or support school activities. We are not looking for any major commitment but just to get an idea of what times suit people best.

What time would suit you best?

Before school Immediately after school During the school day
Evenings [If yes] start time finish time
Weekends

Is there anything that would help you attend at any time – e.g. transport or childcare?

If you are interested in getting involved would you rather just do something occasionally (say once a term) or could you make a more regular commitment?

How much time do you feel you would be able to offer – even ten minutes can be useful?

Thank you very much. One of the things we would like to do is to share this information with the school to help us to plan future activities. Are you happy for us to do this?

Yes No

If yes could you please sign this form to show that you are happy for this information to be shared.

Are there any other comments or suggestions that you would like to make about the school or the Parent Council?

Signed

Thank you again.