



## PARENTS EVENING SURVEY RESULTS

Option	Percentage	Number of Votes
Virtual Meeting	60%	84
Meet in School	40%	56
Total		140

Here is a sample of comments:

### Comments in favour of Virtual Meetings

'Virtual meetings are more efficient and keep to time. There is less pressure on teachers and parents as there is no queuing outside of classrooms.'

'We liked the flexibility of it and yes it worked well for us. Maybe the absolute cut off time limit could be looked at. Thank you for asking.'

'Being able to stick to the appointment time given makes the process so much more efficient for all.'

'I really liked the virtual meeting - it meant I didn't have to find someone to look after the kids while I go to school.'

'The virtual meeting suits us as a family as it works around our own work commitments and my child's extra-curricular activities.'

### Comments in favour of Meeting in School

'I prefer to see the teacher in person and have the opportunity to see work books and displays, which we don't otherwise get to see.'

'Good to look through child's books and see work in classroom. Doesn't feel as rushed and teachers are more relaxed rather than worrying about the clock ticking.'

'I see many benefits of a virtual meeting but as a new parent to Claines I would welcome the opportunity to meet the teachers face to face and see my child's learning environment.'

### Neutral comments

'We are easy either way, interested to know what the teachers would prefer.'\*

'I do think both options should be offered to parents, perhaps over 2 days, 1 day virtual, 1 in person appointments. This would give those that wish to have one face to face meeting.'

\*Most teachers in general prefer the virtual meetings as they are very efficient and make sure that no parents are left waiting due to discussions that overrun.

## **Outcome**

As a result of this survey, we have decided that for this Autumn term we will trial running two Parent's Evenings on separate days, one being virtual and one being face to face in school. Each evening will run from 3.30pm -6.30pm, with each appointment being 10 minutes long.

The Parents Evening in school will be on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October.

The virtual Parents Evening will be on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October.

The bookings for the virtual evening will be online and the bookings for the meetings in school will be paper based. Once all the appointments are fully booked on one of the evenings, parents will have to book an appointment on the other evening.

We will then review the trial to decide the best format going forwards.