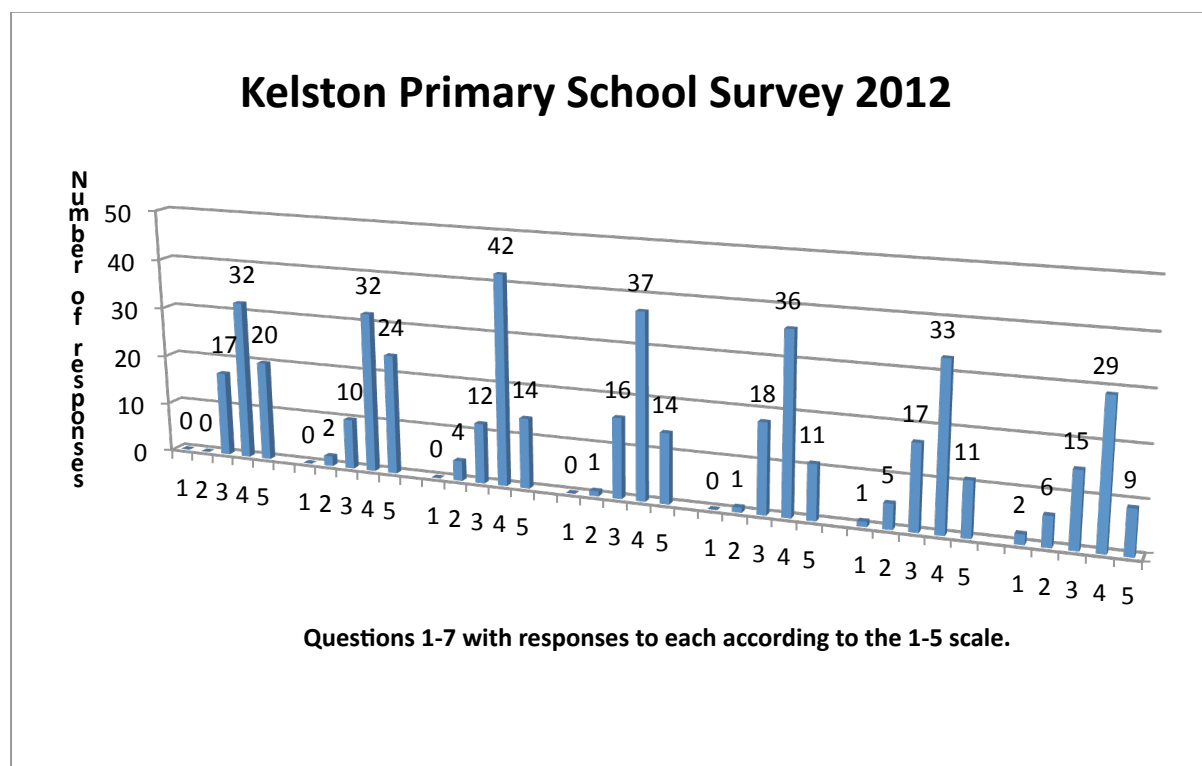


## Kelston School Survey Results 2012

The questions below are graphed according to the number of responses for each section on the 1-5 scale. The results are graphed from left to right in the order of the questions listed below. Following the graph all comments from returned questionnaires have been listed. These comments have been typed as written. *Thank you for your valuable feedback!*

1. Does this school currently provide a programme that meets your child's needs? (Are his/ her learning needs being met?)
2. Does this school keep you informed enough about educational matters such as the curriculum? (eg through newsletters, meetings, website).
3. Does this school communicate with you about your child's wellbeing - both emotionally and socially?
4. Do you get enough opportunities to talk about the progress and achievement of your child?
5. Do you feel that your viewpoint is listened to and acted on at this school?
6. Do you feel encouraged to be involved in the school's cultural and social life?
7. Does this school engage with your ethnic group/s?



Scale 1-5

1	2	3	4	5
Not at all satisfied	Not very satisfied	Reasonably satisfied	Very satisfied	Extremely satisfied

**KELSTON PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
Parent / Whanau questionnaire 2012 Comments

1. Does this school currently provide a programme that meets your child's needs?  
(Are his/ her learning needs being met?)

What could be done better?

- More reading, more exercise
- Have a permanent swimming pool would be an advantage.
- Extra time of studying, more homework needed.
- Keep it up and push the kids hard to learn what you taught them.
- After talking with teacher decide on plan for school/home to reinforce learning aids/needs.
- More programmes for all ages
- Making sure that their learning is being met.

2. Does this school keep you informed enough about educational matters such as the curriculum? (e.g. through newsletters, meetings, website).

What could be done better?

- Emailing parents or calling every now and then. Calling or sending me a letter if there are any issues with my child's behavior.
- Keeping in contact with parents
- Learn from reports and parent interviews where child is in relation to others and national standards.
- Send letters monthly

3. Does this school communicate with you about your child's wellbeing - both emotionally and socially?

How could we do this better?

- Child's wellbeing includes health as well. A proper eating place should be allocated to avoid children sitting on the concrete eating food especially at this stage when they don't really know about hygiene.
- By calling or emailing more often.
- Would like to know when child has a bad day.
- Please be more expressive with our children's behavior.
- Put more info in newsletters about each syndicate activities (we weren't told about the krypton factor)
- Duffy Books really good
- More "pats on back", stickers, class certificates.
- I know we mustn't baby children but they do like to talk about home activities and a "show & tell" weekly morning would encourage this and teachers learn more about pupils as well. Family interests/participation at school etc.
- Raise concerns about my child's behavior or social wellbeing as they arise. Not waiting for parent teacher evenings.

4. Do you get enough opportunities to talk about the progress and achievement of your child?  
Are these opportunities providing you with the information you need?  
What else would you like to know?
- Not really. I would like to know about my child's mathematical knowledge according to teachers at least fortnightly.
  - When my son actually gives me the newsletter.
  - Where he is for his level and how we could work on improving.
  - How can we help the children?
  - Teacher/Principal always available
  - Home aids to keep child busy and keep what teachers have taught reinforced.
  - At least 2 parent teachers meetings a term
5. Do you feel that your viewpoint is listened to and acted on at this school?  
What could be done better?
- Better communication between teachers and social workers.
  - Very happy with the extra care given with regards to anger/social skill issues and working with Social Worker.
  - Making sure that the viewpoint is being listened to.
6. Do you feel encouraged to be involved in the school's cultural and social life?
- I am working full time so have little time to get involved in these activities. However, I try to attend them when I can.
  - Would like to be more involved but due to work I find it difficult.
  - Teaching Arabic lessons (for Muslim students) Teaching about Islam.
  - Need to invite and encourage parent to help with various sports and activities
  - Working full time but happy to help out in any way after hours.
  - Soccer

What activities are you involved in?

- Netball
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What would you like to be involved in?

- More but not enough volunteer parent help from others.

7. Does this school engage with your ethnic group/s?
- More chances to speak with teachers in regards to my child's progress and any concerns that the teachers/school may have about him/her.
  - I am American and husband is Indo Fijian. You do very well with the pacifika part but my child sometimes felt like an outsider.

Are there any barriers for you? If so, what?

- No barriers
- I don't think there is any barrier except for being a minority compared to other ethnicities. (Filipino)

- Food - Halal
- Can't speak Maori but interested in history etc.
- That seniors are only allowed - all ages should be allowed.

8. What else could the School/ Board of Trustees do to involve parents?

- Email newsletters to parents school work place
- Send reminders of what is happening in school.
- Always tell the child what is happening at school
- Just keep me more informed.
- Invite us to meetings.
- Regular meetings, mails, phone calls.
- Join them with some fun activities with students
- Draw on specialized knowledge and skills e.g. career days, awareness days etc.
- I think it's good at moment but any programme done after 6.00pm would be nice so that working parents will have the opportunity to attend after work.

9. Other Comments

- I have been aware for some time that some children are continually coming to school without lunch, and are then stealing other children's lunch. I advised the staff 2 years ago about this but the same child is still in the situation. I have some ideas about this matter.
- I am extremely pleased about the school.
- Follow up quickly on these surveys - remind parents to return.
- Perhaps have sausage sizzle or cakes/cookies for sale at lunch time once a term - divide between 3 syndicates. - this could involve kids/families to make/bring/help sell - Money to go to what each syndicate is doing.
- School Fair - Might just be a classroom activity/syndicate or full school.
- Some more parent/Teacher meetings if possible
- Have parent teacher interviews.
- One thing I would like to see is maybe a PE uniform.