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Have you given your views yet on Parent View?
Access via: <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>
or from the link on the school website.

Dear Parents and Carers

WE NEED TO KNOW WHAT YOU THINK ABOUT OUR SCHOOL.....

Please read on to find out how you can let us have your views – by email or paper copy – by Monday 16th March. Thank you.

We are justly proud of the quality and breadth of education provided for all the children at BHJS, but this does not mean to say that we are ever complacent; there are always new approaches we can take to further develop and improve. At this point of the year, we are starting to formulate the priorities for the School Development Plan for the coming year. This is where we would welcome your input.

School Development Plan for this year

We are well on our way to addressing the agreed main school priorities for this year, which are:

1. **Maths:** Although this is considered a strength of the school with achievement significantly above the national average over the past six years, we need to ensure that our new maths curriculum meets the higher expectations and requirements of the New National Curriculum introduced last September.
2. **Quality of Teaching:** we need to continually work towards maintaining the very high quality of teaching at BHJS and increasing the percentage of outstanding teaching throughout the school.
3. **Curriculum Development:** Since the introduction of the New Primary Curriculum in September, we have been working to embed and enrich the mapped programmes of study for each subject to establish a curriculum which meets the new requirements whilst still maintaining the quality of current practice.

School Development Plan for next year

New ideas: We are sure that you all have views on what you would like to see us develop at the school. This formal annual consultation gives you the opportunity to let us have your ideas and comments. These are invaluable to help us to understand the priorities and expectations of our pupils' families.

Current practice: Equally, we would like you to let us know what you think the school is already doing very well. What aspects are you particularly impressed with? What are your children most enthusiastic about? It is just as important to have this kind of feedback so that we can continue to build on our existing strengths.

How to reply

It is easy for you to respond. You can either:

- **Complete the attached form and return this in paper copy to the school office,**
or
- **Email us at admin@bernardsheathjnr.herts.sch.uk, either sending your views in the main body of the email or as an attachment, but please give clear heading "Parent Consultation".**

PLEASE LET US HAVE YOUR REPLIES BY MONDAY 16th MARCH. THANK YOU.

We look forward to hearing from you and will feedback findings from this consultation in a governor newsletter later this year.

Yours sincerely,



Mary Liming,
Chair of Governors

Footnote: *We would like to highlight that this consultation is in addition to everyday communication with the school. We do urge you to be pro-active about any specific issue that may be causing you or your child to worry at any time. Please do not wait until minor niggles become a major concern. Class teachers, the people at school directly involved with your children on a day-to-day basis, are very happy to discuss concerns with you. Arrangements can be made for discussions either face-to-face or over the phone, whichever is more convenient for you and the member of staff. If a matter cannot be resolved at this level, the office staff will be happy to arrange a meeting or phone conversation with Mrs. Kilpatrick.*

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Annual Parental Consultation Spring Term 2015

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Thank you.

1. FOR 2015/16, I WOULD LIKE THE SCHOOL TO CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING AREAS FOR FURTHER DEVELOPMENT AND IMPROVEMENT:

2. I WOULD LIKE THE SCHOOL TO CONTINUE TO.....

To help us identify any common themes, please give:

CHILD'S FORM:

CHILD'S GENDER: GIRL / BOY

YOUR NAME (not compulsory) but would enable us to follow up any particular concerns:
