



Robert Smyth Academy

Dear Families,

I am delighted to share the results of our recent behaviour survey, which highlight the positive, supportive environment at Robert Smyth Academy and its impact on students' experience and attendance.

Survey Participation and Results

We had a fantastic response to the survey, with 1,062 students participating and 66 teachers providing their valuable insights. These results reflect the collective efforts of our students, staff, and the wider school community. The following headlines reflect their feedback:

- 96% of students agree that they understand our behavioural expectations
- 90% of students feel that the academy has been calm and orderly during the past week
- 96% of students have felt safe in the last week in the academy
- 89% of students believe that behaviour is not problematic
- 83% of students report that they have enjoyed school in the last week, and 88% have felt they belonged.

Our teachers also shared their perspectives:

- 98% of teachers agree that the academy has been calm and orderly over the past week
- 100% of teachers report that teachers and students have been respectful to each other in the last week
- 97% of teachers believe that behaviour has not been an issue

Impact on Attendance

We are pleased to report that our attendance rate stands at 95%. This is significantly higher than the national average of 92.8%. Our excellent attendance rate directly reflects the positive learning environment at our academy. When students feel safe, motivated, and supported, they attend school regularly and engage in learning. As families, you are also key to maintaining this excellent attendance. We thank you for your effort and motivation in ensuring your children attend school regularly.

Student voice

We are always keen to hear our students' voices and aim to provide channels for them to share their experiences in school and their suggestions for improvement. Student leaders meet regularly to discuss the issues raised by their tutor group and to provide opportunities for all students to contribute to school life.

Thank you

These survey results and our strong attendance rate show our strong school community and the effectiveness of our policies. We are committed to maintaining and building this positive environment. We want every student, regardless of background or need, to feel valued and motivated to succeed. Families can be reassured that we are not complacent and always strive to improve our students' experience so they can enjoy school and succeed. However, we know that these fantastic results do not happen by chance. We know they stem from incredible parental and family support. Thank you for your ongoing support and partnership in making our school a place students want to be and where they are heard, supported, and inspired to achieve their best.

Kind regards,

Kate Nicholson
Associate Principal