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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to inform you of my analysis and response to the Embark parent survey that many of you kindly completed in May this year, and which I have recently been sent the results for.

Thank you for your feedback and comments. We always appreciate your time and effort in reaching out. There were many positive comments, and I have listed just a few of the typical responses below:

- They care for the children; the teachers are engaged with them and seem to know every child.
- The school has made great progress since the appointment of Mrs Atwal.
- The teachers are very caring and willing to chat to parents.
- The staff really care about the children. SATs was a positive experience.
- Fantastic classroom practitioners...professional and approachable.
- Brilliant school, so many activities and after school clubs.
- Such a lovely school to be a part of; they're so supportive.
- They have plenty of celebrations with the children covering all different cultures.
- My child has thrived at this school – excellent teachers and leadership.

We are so pleased to read so many positives and appreciate them very much. Thank you!

There were also some trends regarding how to improve even further, and these fell into three broad areas:

- **Communication:** as you would expect, we constantly strive to be the best we can be. In terms of communication, many of you feel that whilst this has improved, more improvements can be made. I will be working closely with the team to ensure key dates are sent out and reminders are scheduled in. With our new communication system, Arbor, we would like you all to ensure that you are registered and logged in so that key messages are not missed.
- **Consistency of staff (Class 3 and Class 5):** you will be aware that we have recruited two new teachers, and together with Mr Slaney, who will remain for one full year, this provides us with a solid foundation for the coming years.
- **Support for SEN and Behaviour:** a small number of you feel that the school would benefit from a full-time SENDCo. Miss Goodwin is here for one full day per week, which represents twice the amount of dedicated SENDCo time than was in place prior to her joining the school. This is a significant investment in this area, and we are happy that this aligns with the needs of our children in school. Both SEND and Behaviour were closely looked at during our recent Ofsted inspection, and both were found to be strengths of the school, which we are extremely proud of. However, if there are individual concerns that you wish to discuss, as always, it is important that you get in touch so that specific queries can be dealt with.

I would like to thank you for the feedback you have taken the time to provide. Please do not hesitate to let me know if you would like to discuss any individual concerns either by appointment or before / after school on the gate or playground.

Yours sincerely,
Mrs P. Atwal
Executive Headteacher