

Bring Your Parents to School day 2019

Feedback

How did you feel this morning?

- *Excited, curious and also perhaps mildly anxious*
- *Tired and nervous*
- *Anxious because I hadn't sent an email but was welcomed by staff and impressed by the organisation.*
- *Intrigued - a little nervous*
- *Looking forward to it!*
- *Apprehensive - out of my comfort zone*
- *Excited and happy to be going back to school - slightly nervous*
- *Excited and apprehensive*

What surprised you most about today?

- *Variety, the practical aspects and facilities are amazing.*
- *Our classes were serious learning!*
- *I enjoyed subjects I disliked at school - how organised it was despite the size of school*
- *Enthusiasm of the teachers - incredible organisation - whole day was seamless*
- *How tiring it is to whizz around every hour*
- *Bunsen burners are still allowed in school!!*
- *How taxing all the moving about and constantly changing mindset or discipline is. It's been a long time since I was at high school!*

How do you think this day will help your relationship with us?

- *Greater understanding of the complexity of running this massive (and wonderful) high school.*
- *It was fun and I felt welcome. I feel more confident contacting school.*
- *Gives me an insight into the workings of school and some subjects (PSE) which I know little about but help our children. Helps me participate more in my children's learning.*
- *Greater understanding of the pressures you face with so many children*
- *It has improved it - great to feel how S1 feel. Nice to meet teachers*
- *Greater understanding and respect for teachers.*
- *Great way to get to know your way around and meet some of the teachers*
- *Improved a lot. I feel I can empathise with my daughter more about school.*

What can we do to improve this day?

- *Not sure it was so good*
- *Keep on running it*
- *Nothing - good fun day.*
- *It has been great - thank you*
- *Lunch a bit busy but not too bad*

- *I think it went really well - just keep doing it*
- *Just keep doing it*

What were your observations about learning and teaching in our school?

- *Excellent, knowledgeable, friendly, approachable staff from the top down.*
- *Incredibly open and friendly staff*
- *Excellent teaching and good resources*
- *Great facilities and lots of enthusiastic. Engaged teachers*
- *very positive*
- *everyone is keen to do their best*
- *very varied teaching methods. Subjects taught in interesting ways - lots of participation from students.*
- *Very practical and modern. So relevant in the way they approach teaching. So clear now why the kids love coming to school - well done.*
- *Very impressive levels of care and thought from each teacher. Huge care from all staff about their subjects and their students.*

Would you recommend this to other parents and schools? Please explain.

- *Absolutely. Great insight into the lives of our kids and of teachers. Great fun. You are an amazing example of great education.*
- *Definitely. Great opportunity to meet other parents as well as experience the thrills of making robots dance, conducting experiments and making scones.*
- *Yes - so good to get a real feel for the school. Nice to meet the teachers and other parents*
- *Yes - I feel more involved and have a greater insight into my children's learning.*
- *Good fun way to remember what it is like at school*
- *Absolutely, I will encourage my wife to do this when my son starts!*
- *Absolutely - yes!*
- *Helped me to feel more part of and to understand the system.*