The results of our "Parents and Carers" survey

	Agree/strongly agree
My child is happy at this school	92%
My child feels safe at this school	96%
My child makes good progress at this school	96%
My child is well looked after at this school	96%
My child is taught well at this school	96%
My child receives appropriate homework for their age	92%
This school ensures the children are well behaved	92%
This school deals effectively with bullying	84%
	Many parents said they were unsure how to
	answer since their child had never had a
	problem with bullying- please see our
	explanation below*
This school is well led and managed	90%
The school responds well to any concern I raise	86%
I receive valuable information from the school about	92%
my child's progress	
I would recommend this school to another parent	92%

*How do we deal with bullying at Brookfield?

We are really pleased that so many of you are happy with the way we deal with this issue, and also pleased that many of you commented that you had never had a problem.

However, <u>ALL</u> schools have to deal with bullying from time to time and we take very seriously any problem you bring to us.

First of all, we have an Anti-bullying Policy; this is available on the school website or a hard copy can be obtained from the office.

We discuss with our pupils what they think bullying is: sometimes children – especially the younger ones, - think it's the same as falling out with your friend on the playground. "Falling out" is natural for all children – part of what they need to learn at school is how to get along together, negotiate, and learn to "rub along with others", and this gets easier for them as they mature.

As part of the work we do in schools about bullying we ask the children to say what bullying is, and they agree that:

bullying as something that is done I NTENTI ONALLY by one or more other people to someone on a number of occasions: this can be name calling, physically hurting, leaving someone out of the game deliberately etc.

It is for this reason that we tend to view bullying as something that occurs with older children and adults, rather than with younger children, who simply do not know how to get along together yet, and who sometimes play too boisterously and physically together.

If your child is being bullied, the first thing they must do is <u>TELL SOMEONE</u> - whether at home or at school and that person <u>must</u> tell us. As soon we are alerted we can begin to put things right for your child. We have a number of staff who are trained in dealing with a range of issues, and they can find the right way, working with you and your child, to help solve the problem.

We hope this explanation helps, but please see any member of staff if you or your child have any concerns.