

# **YOU SAID, WE DID!**

# **WE SAID:**

Parents' evenings have changed during the pandemic, from traditional face-to-face evening in the school hall to online 'virtual parents' evening using video calling.

Video meetings have been essential during the pandemic and schools have seen so many benefits from these that they are continuing to use virtual meetings going forwards. **We want your view on this**, as we are still in the midst of a pandemic.

## **BENEFITS:**

- Not having to jostle in a crowded hall
- **Timing, privacy and control:** An online timer on screen shows you how much time is left. There's nobody listening in to your conversation and you don't have queuing behind you.
- **No travelling time** Teachers and parents can join from anywhere improving staff work-life balance whilst enabling parents to attend from home or their workplace and even allowing split families to join from different locations.
- **Safety and comfort**: Parents' evenings can be pretty intimidating for both parents and teachers at times Being able to access them from the safety and comfort of home has been a key advantage identified by all.

## **WE ASKED:**

As a parent I would prefer parents' evening to remain virtual

**RESULTS:** 

70% voted for parents evening to remain virtual

26% voted for face-to-face parents' evening

0.4% did not comment

## **DECISION:**

As of November 2021, parents' evenings will continue as virtual consultations via a booking system.