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# 2022-23 Kimberley Jr P.S. Family Survey



**December 2022 Results Report** 

### Overview



### Tonight, we'll....

- Share results from 2022-23 Kimberley Family Survey
- Review key takeaways
- Discuss action points for school council based on results
- Provide opportunity for feedback and questions



### **Purpose and Context**



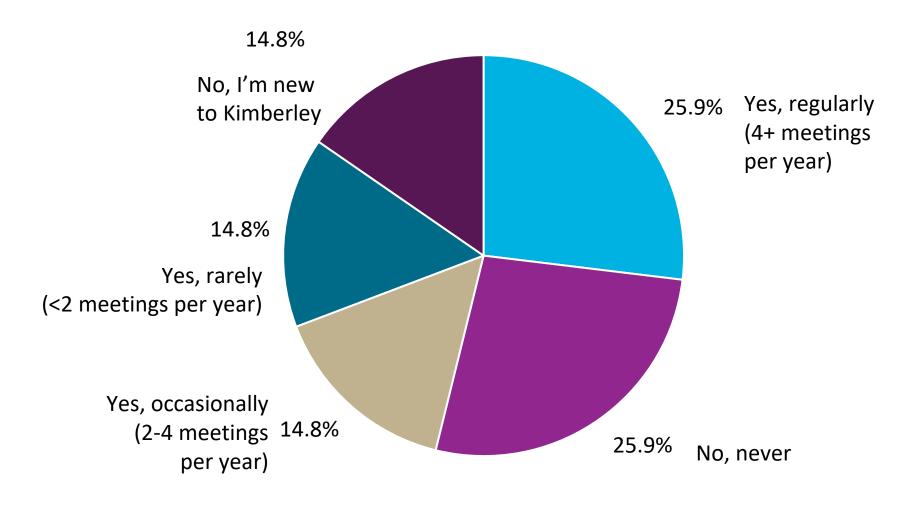
- Provide school council insights related to parent/caregiver perceptions on communication, meetings and family priorities
- Provide parents/caregivers an opportunity to share their feedback and suggestions anonymously
- Measure annual improvement of parent/caregiver engagement and priorities, and where to focus future school council efforts (e.g., improve, maintain, etc.)
- This year, survey questions focused on:
  - School council meetings
  - Budget and forecasting
  - Parent speaker series
  - Volunteering and fundraising
  - General feedback
- Survey link sent to Kimberley families via Principal Bismilla (email), link shared on school council website,
   Twitter and Facebook; reminder at school council meeting (deadline was also extended)
- Survey was open for 3.5 weeks (October 11 to November 4, 2022) and there were 27 respondents



# **School Council Meetings**

Have you attended Kimberley School Council meetings in the past? 27 responses

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# **School Council Meetings**

What would make school council meetings more effective, or enable/encourage you to attend?

15 responses



### Location

- Continue virtually/hybrid
- Back to in-person where discussion can flow easily and decisions made on the spot

### **Day/Frequency**

- Preferably not Monday night
- Monthly

### Time

- Alternating times
- Not scheduling meetings at dinner time
- A later starting time
- While kids are at school
- There's never going to be a perfect time

### Other

- A more detailed agenda, so that I could join when I felt it was important.
- Focused discussion.
- I choose to have direct contact with my child's teacher and volunteer with classroom activities instead of attending meetings.

"What discouraged me from going back [to meetings] was the feeling that my contributions as a non-executive weren't needed. There was so much that seemed to be happening behind the scenes and away from the meetings and I didn't know how to get involved in any of that. The meetings themselves felt like a formality where we would just vote on decisions that had already been made. I don't have capacity to be on the executive, so as much as I'd wanted to contribute, it really felt like there was no point to my being there."



# **School Council Meetings**

What type of information would you like to see discussed at Kimberley School Council meetings?

16 responses

- Future planning for the school
- Facilities improvements
- Enrichment/extracurricular opportunities and field trips (e.g., island school)
- Classroom/school activities and day-to-day operations at the school
- Community/school social events
- TDSB updates
- Future planning
- Accessibility and inclusion
- Advocacy work
- Funding/fundraising
- Specialized educational programs
- Safety
- Issues that affect and impact all students at Kimberley (not individual classroom activities)



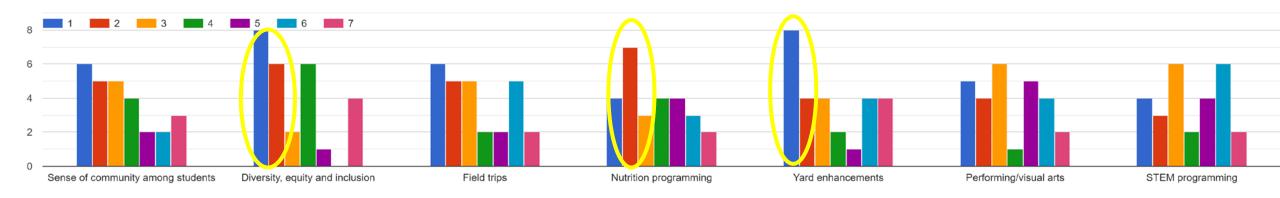


# **Budget & Forecasting**

In what areas would you like us to spend fundraising money this year and in the coming school years? Prioritize the below areas.

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- Sense of community among students
- Diversity, equity and inclusion
- Field trips
- Nutrition programming
- Yard enhancements
- Performing/visual arts
- STEM programming





# **Budget & Forecasting**

Are there other areas you would like us to support with fundraising? 7 responses

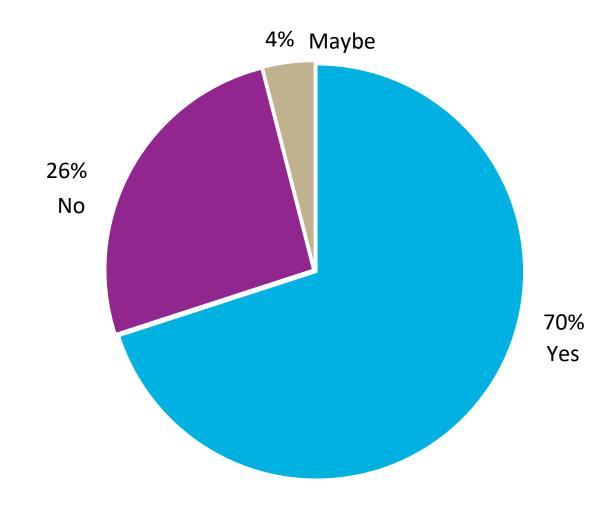


- Outdoor education opportunities and outdoor classroom spaces
- Increase washroom cleaning (kids don't want to use the washroom because it's not clean)
- Helping other schools without the capacity to fundraise. Public education should not be two-tiered
- Parent educational workshops to support our children
- Sports jerseys (if needed)
- Support for teachers (e.g., to decorate classrooms, have supplies for activities, have guest speakers)
- School agendas (for students)



Parent Speaker Series
Would you attend 1-2 virtual parent speaker events this school year? 27 responses



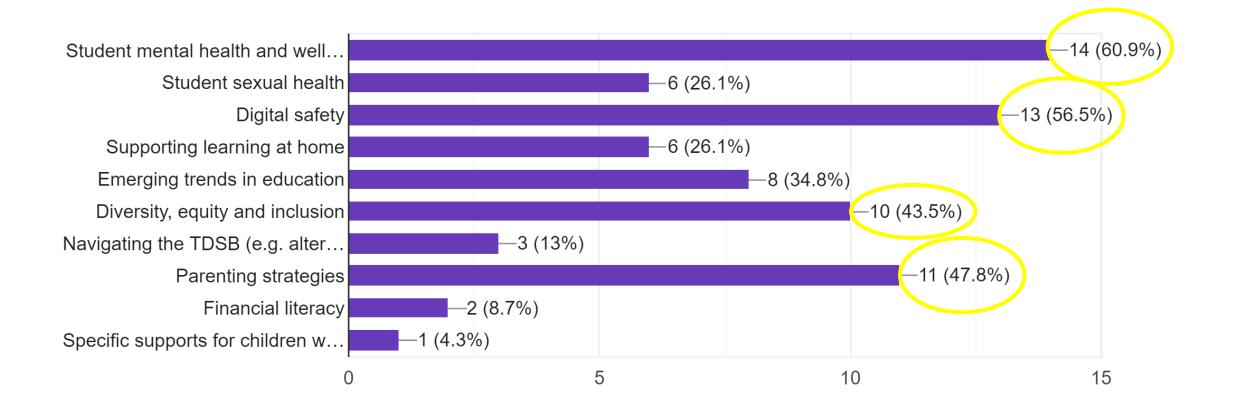




# **Parent Speaker Series**

What topics would you like for a virtual parent speaker series? 23 responses

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### Volunteering

### 14 responses

• Leave your email here to be added to our volunteer list

### **Fundraising**

### 11 responses

• If there are specific initiatives/committees that you would like to volunteer/fundraise for, let us know. [check list of committees/events/interests]

### **Feedback**

### 0 responses

Any other comments? We appreciate your feedback! [open text field]

### **Takeaways and action points**



- Focus on diversity, inclusion and equity in all that we do
- Increase engagement
  - Enhance communications (monthly newsletter, timely email reminders, regular social/web updates)
  - Family events focused on community, not fundraising (movie night, healthy families, math skills, etc.)
  - Make school council meetings accessible, informative, welcoming for all (explain background info)
- Provide supports for parents
  - Student mental and sexual health
  - Supporting learning at home
  - Parenting strategies
- Support extra-curricular activities (soccer equipment, school skating day, field trips, etc.)



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# Feedback or questions?

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