

Outdoor learning Parental survey analysis – Autumn term 2017

Survey sheets sent out to all parents(201), 63 returned= 31%

1. Does your child talk to you about outdoor learning?
61 yes-**97%** 2 no-3% (1 mentions it but with no detail)
2. Level of enthusiasm from child about outdoor learning
Don't know 1<1%, Not very enthusiastic 2-3%, **enthusiastic 12-19%, Very enthusiastic 48-76%**
Overall enthusiast or better 96%

3. Which activities do they really enjoy (multiple number of responses on many forms)

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| Den building | 18 | 18% |
| Playing conkers | 21 | 21% |
| Outdoor games | 21 | 21% |
| Learning about nature | 24 | 24% |
| Using tools | 8 | 8% |
| Outdoor art | 2 | 2% |
| Imaginative play | 2 | 2% |
| Quiet time | 2 | 2% |

Quite a few responses just stated that the children enjoyed everything!

4. How often do you spend time outdoors with your children?

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| Two or more times a week | 20 | 33% |
| Once a week | 23 | 38% |
| Once a month | 12 | 20% |
| Less often | 3 | 5% |
| Varies due to time of year | 2 | 3% |

5. Do you think Outdoor learning is an important part of learning at Briscoe School?

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| Definitely | 53 | 88% |
| Of equal importance to other lessons | 7 | 12% (100% Overall) |
| Not very important | 0 | |
| Two forms with no answers | | |

6. Additional comments (Typed as they have been written):

'Every child should have access to an outdoor learning session. We think it is a fabulous lesson and our daughter loves it!'

'She loves going outside learning. She talk about Mr. Jackson. She's really learning about nature and she really enjoys it. She picks up lots of leaves and acorns and bring it back home'

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'Joshua thoroughly enjoys his outdoor learning lessons. Of all the subjects he does in school this is by far the one he talks about the most! We think it is a great addition to his learning'

'Thursday is Teddy's favourite day at school, because of outdoor learning. He looks forward to it every week.'

'Riley talks about outdoor learning very much, I think outdoor learning is important builds bonds, knowledge of surroundings as well as the enjoyment it brings.'

'Emily is always talking about the fun things she does during outdoor learning. I think it is great! Thank you.'

'My child keeps talking about a fox hole!'

Thing they have enjoyed most- 'Anything that involves Mr. Jackson'

'Anything that involves spending time with Mr. Jackson'

'Evelyn always speaks very highly of Mr. Jackson'

'I think it's very important as the children feel free to play and explore'

Other comments passed to me by parents have included things like, 'He has me out searching for big leaves with him every night!' There have been lots of positive comments about their children asking and encouraging their parents to explore the local parks and areas.