

The aspects I most like about the school are:	The aspects I would like to see this school improve are:	To better inform you about our programs and initiatives what Parent Information Sessions could the school provide?
<p>Facilities are clean neat and new. Happy friendly environment The teachers that my child has had, have all been very good</p>	<p>Less split classes if it can be helped. More school sports teams and or initiatives - preferably free as exercise for children is extremely important</p>	<p>No comment</p>
<p>Safety for children Communication between parents and teachers</p>	<p>To be able to be more attentive to the basics ie formation of writing letters and reading. I mean the teachers be able to have more time to concertate on the basics like reading and writing. Instead of cramming all these extra subjects ie Chinese and laptops. If the teachers had more time in the classroom than having meetings and development days. AS a parent it doses make you think when your child says he is doing maths on line and reading eggs. Dont get me wrong i agree that the children have to learn computer skills as this is how the world is heading.</p>	
<p>Staff are fantastic, facilities are good and well maintained. Very interactive.</p>	<p>Parking. Working part time I walk my daughter to school two days a week but the other days we have to drive due to my babies day care and work commitments. Parking can be quite difficult when you have children of the age where you need to take them to the classroom not just drop them off.</p>	

The community spirit and the way they go above and beyond is so refreshing.	Give more information about what's happening in the classroom.	Morning teas, emails etc.
clean and modern	smaller classes	year specific
Friendliness and approachability.	An annual school play or musical and drama classes.	
clean, well maintained and most teachers are good	smaller classes	a meeting of all parents in each year
The strive for excellence	More strategies to combat bullying amongst students during recess/lunch	
I really like the community spirit and involvement at the school		
I think majority of the teacher that my children have had have been wonderful and caring. They have given my children the confidence and ability to do their best. The school is very well maintained and the gardener does a wonderful job ensuring the gardens look beautiful.	I am very happy with all aspects of the school.	I feel that the school is very good at informing the parents of programs and initiatives. I also feel the school is very supportive if any issues arise.
they make improvements and create activities to hone the skills of the children.	More activities, more academic exercises like math, science and english programs	Other than the news letter maybe monthly meetings or something like that. Parents need to be involved and it would be better to give back to the school as well

<p>Facilities, Parent/Teacher communication, the message of trying to be the person you can be being instilled in the students.</p>	<p>Parking - Are we not able to change the road side/verge parking bays into angled bays? You would get twice as many parking bays but would need to reduce the width of the footpath surrounding the school (which especially at the front end of school, is very wide as it is) or take away some of the garden.</p> <p>The communication book is a great tool - I would love to see teachers at the end of the week provide a little note of what has been focused on that week so we are able to sync our home learning with whats being taught in class. Seeing set worksheets from the day aren't being sent home for homework our home learning is really just based around reading, spelling and basic maths. I would really like to learn what my children are learning as they are learning it so we are all on the same page. My children are only Yr1 & Yr3 so I'm not sure if it's just what happens with the juniors and I can expect a greater range of homework in the coming years</p>	<p>I'm pretty happy with how information is being replayed to parents.</p>
<p>Communication of events etc to the parents. The school bag app is fantastic :-)</p>		
	<p>Extension programs for younger years. Home structure</p>	
<p>Friendly dedicated teachers and staff Clean tidy</p>	<p>None</p>	<p>Parent teacher sessions</p>
<p>The teachers friendliness, the first day still plays back in my mind when the deputy principal walked around the school saying hello, welcome etc to families. He then asked for permission to take a photo of my son in his classroom.</p>	<p>Nothing I think you all strive to do your best.</p>	<p>Nothing really for us as a family. We have access to other networks through work :)</p>

<p>The wonderful sense of community spirit. The culture of acceptance that the school promotes to its students. Friendly & approachable staff. Acknowledging parents input, ie parking & after school care.</p>	<p>No ideas at present</p>	<p>I prefer to read the school newsletter as I find this is thorough with the ongoing aspects of the school & to keep informed of programs occurring.</p>
<p>Teachers are easy to approach with any questions I may have</p>	<p>Grounds care in and around school</p>	
<p>Modern. High focus on education and improvement.</p>	<p>Uniformity with discipline from teachers. Unacceptable that some teachers think it is okay to discipline students for needing to use the toilet during class times.</p>	
<p>Parent open evenings and interviews have become a regular feature Welcoming staff My child appears happy at the school</p>		
<p>The teachers are easy to talk to and are happy to hear about my concerns</p>		<p>ways to talk to our children about keeping them alert and safe</p>

<p>The principal Majority of teachers Specialist teachers Basic infrastructure Dentist Student councillor led decisions/ initiatives</p>	<p>Opportunity to begin rather than progress in the arts e.g. learning an instrument, dance Less success shame More opportunity for parents to be involved via class representatives. A better program to support new migrant, esl or minority religion parents through greater understanding. Opportunities for parents to contribute real life situations and input into classes/ the school. Talks about jobs, demonstrations, company visits. More basic life skills - finance, education about mental health issues, first aid, socialization skills, cooking, cleaning, etc... Business education Education regarding political propaganda / the influence of media Humanitarian education towards caring for global issues Small scale community/ charity project per class/per year Children planning projects that directly benefit local community groups via fundraising towards a specific project to hands on e.g.</p>	<p>Transition from Primary to High School info - options/ streams/ possibilities What the school is doing to foster exceptional practice / innovation in their teachers? What parents can do to help school initiatives or help or get involved? Open forum to discuss Homework - does it help my child?</p>
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<p>The school garden is an excellent resource. Would like to see it extended, including into some of the tree circles that lack trees around the school, with regular gardening time (and processing produce) in all students' curriculum</p> <p>Some teachers are excellent. In this I include my girls' teachers this year, Miss Taylor and Mrs Stewart.</p>	<p>For me, the main thing lacking is any real involvement in the local community, or sense of citizenship (in the wider context) instilled in students.</p> <p>We as a family also have concerns about the application of the bullying policy, icy, as we believe incidents that should have been reported as parents of victims have not been reported, therefore we are not sure if they are being taken seriously.</p> <p>I would also prefer there was less movement in class groups year on year, as I believe this has proved very unsettling for many children, including my own. Surely, by Year 1, the majority of the students should be known well enough that the make up of the class could be maintained permanently, with minimal adjustments.</p> <p>Lastly, I have some concerns over the continuity of education standards year on year with different teachers. For example, my eldest daughter was in a Yr</p>	<p>Perhaps something like a termly update on the P&C activity, at another time of the day. A regular commitment means neither of us can attend the meetings, although we might otherwise be interested, and it is hard to see a way to be involved without that initial casual attendance at meetings.</p>
<p>- quality staff and school - extracurricular activities offered</p>		
<p>1) Its level of communication with parents and the community 2) The school values and how this is taught to students</p>	<p>1) While we have had excellent teachers in Years 2 and 3, in previous years there were significant concerns with the teaching staff (particularly Kindergarten and Pre-Primary) as the teachers seemed unwilling to help my child's development.</p> <p>2) I have concerns about continuity of support (my child has learning aids and responds to particular teaching styles that are not consistently used/understood by teachers from year-to-year).</p>	<p>I would like to hear more about the school's community engagement programs.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - School is Clean & tidy - Teachers are friendly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Could the Schoolbag app notify parents of the coming agenda for school assembly's. So parents don't miss out on their kids doing certain activities or performances at the assembly. - Possible have more parking spots built around perimeter of school 	
Good teachers	Better behaviour management for kids. Get on top of the shocking headlice problem this school has, a less defensive and more tolerant principal. She's not very approachable sometimes.	Make sure you text parents when their child received an honour certificate or award.
Thanks	Thanks	Thanks
Teachers always friendly and support parents and child's level of ability		
The attitude of the school, the positivity and the way the children are encouraged and celebrated. I also like the way they include the Aboriginal students.	Parking can be a pain but isn't too bad compared to other schools. I would never use the onsite day care. I have seen them at another school and they are terrible.	Email and txt and meet and greet in the school. They already do this though!
The teachers willingness to go above and beyond for the students	Communication Less paper notes	
The grounds, natural environment, focus on indigenous relations and learnings, leadership of Lyn Macauley.	Advancement of students showing aptitude.	

<p>The range of classes supported such as the science, music and Chinese classes I like the diversity of the school and general community feel. The facilities are great. Love the extra activities offered.</p>	<p>The communication with parents with year one students was poor. Part of this maybe because we we're use to so much communication in the kindy and pre-primary years. But just getting a login for something (such as reading eggs or maths) without telling the parents what is expected is poor or providing reading books without knowing if they read them once, twice over 2 days or what. (And I did attend into sessions the school has had.) A year one is not going to tell you much or in some cases didn't know. I have many more examples of confused parents - such as the dentist - we did not know we had to take the personally as it was not explained either by the dentist or in a school letter.</p>	<p>Helping with homework - what is expected and tips for helping What the teacher expects from parents - and vice versa (what should we expect or hope for). Dealing with kids emotions and behaviour (not just academic information) - what's the schools plans. What are the kids learning - ie general topics in science, language, (I'm actually interested!)</p>
<p>Small size, independence, sense of internal community. Improving engagement with the wider community.</p>	<p>Continue to include the wider community of Lynwood/Ferndale</p>	
	<p>I do not like the new photographers photo costs. it is now 50 dollars to buy a class and individual head shot photo. Previously it was 25 for both.</p>	
<p>Teachers, school programs, facilities, before/after school care</p>		
	<p>Parking We have Rangers puttin fines on our cars for not Parkin in the right zone etc... As some parents need to walk their little ones to class... Rather then blocking off the spare land in back near canteen You could have put that area for an drop off zone like lynwood high???</p>	
<p>Feeling of belonging and community being fostered</p>	<p>Extension/support work given for parents to assist their child when issues with learning progress, or areas of interest, are identified in parent interviews</p>	<p>Non for me as I can't get to them. The app is great.</p>

Bannister Creek is a modern looking school with modern teaching methodologies. safety in design appears to be factored in with respect to the internal layout and design. School funds appear to be injected back into the school with improved playgrounds being introduced.	Increased maintenance and security of the outer grounds. Grass pitches look to be uneven which could cause injury and the lack of an external boundary fence could result in in identified objects such as broken glass and needles being left around.	The bulletins are good, very informative and timely. I'm happy with the teacher catch up frequency's.
I like the environment of class, it's totally different from class in China. It's easy, comfortable and with no stress.		Meeting with teachers, or notice from smart phone application.
It's very clean	Parking is a disaster. Needs a drop off bay	
The teachers are friendly, caring, and help out alot.	Parking.	
The reward systems for kids to keep them encouraged to learn new things. The principal leads the school very well and in a positive direction.	standardised interaction in the communication books would be good when some teachers sticker and sign only others fill the entire book with resources ... it seems to me a bit more consistency would help parents.	How the school handles truancy, bullying and issues on the playground.
The teacher and the atmosphere	more parking area	
The teachers The environment	Be firm with the parents regarding parking behaviour That the importance of play be introduced back into Early Childhood classrooms, K-2, and not simply outside.	
Nature based, all staff are lovely	Nothing I think of	Unsure
The school environment and the staffs	None	Electronic newsletter
The extra curricular activities. The end of term rewards. The fact that kids still get to go on camp. The out of school opportunities (STEM, mini EaLS).	I would like my son to receive set homework each week. excursions.	Skoolbag has so far been a terrific tool.
The teachers all seem to forge good relationships with parents and children. Teachers and staff are all friendly, approachable and take an interest in families.		

<p>1 Teachers' ability are all of a high standard. They are friendly and caring but also focussed on education of the children.</p> <p>2 Reinforcing and demonstrating good values and behaviours.</p> <p>3 Patnership between BCPS and Helping Hands is awesome.</p>	<p>1 Closer supervision of children during recess and lunchtimes, to prevent regular bullying of some children that seems to be happening.</p> <p>2 More parking bays are required.</p> <p>3 School uniform recycling/exchange capability.</p> <p>4 Concerned about age of children allowed out of grounds to Purley Park are very young, particularly with limited supervision.</p> <p>5 Some play equipment (skipping ropes for example) are used inappropriately that can lead to injuries or incidents.</p>	<p>1 More info on music programs and how they are run would be good. For example how to get our child included in the choir.</p>
<p>Most parents of students are very friendly and like to chat about concerns they may have about their Child/ren.</p> <p>A lot of fun activities and rewards to keep kids interested and keen to keep learning.</p> <p>Always kept up to date on any upcoming events.</p>	<p>Letting parents know atleast 2 weeks prior on excursions or costs for things, eg school photo payments were due with only one weeks notice, and on the same week were Mother's Day gift purchases - some families are on a budget and the last thing they want is for their child to miss out.</p> <p>I also think at times the fundraising goes a bit overboard.</p> <p>After my child's first day at school at bannister creek (pre-primary) I was pulled aside by the teacher in front of the other parents and told he may need speech therapy, I was asked, "can he write his name?" "Does he know his shapes?" "He needs a lot of work"... I was astonished to hear this on his first day of school! I went home in tears and made it my mission to do all I could to catch my child up on everything I could - we enrolled him into KipMcGrath I would go in whenever I could as a teacher helper and see for myself that yes my child was behind a bit from the other children but not to</p>	<p>At the end of the week if your child has been on the number chart the teacher will write a brief summary of what happened.. In my home If my child has any bad behavior or been on the number chart he gets zero screen time, and extra homework. I discuss why,what happened and talk about why it's important to focus and keep on task, I have told this to my child's teacher and the following weeks I will get comments in the communication book saying " a bit chatty but a good week" or "is finding it hard to sit still when on the mat needs to try harder" I'm left wondering was he on the number chart?, should I punish him for this? It needs to be more clearer.</p>

<p>The staff have a genuine care for the children and are willing to go beyond general expectations.</p>	<p>Not sure sorry</p>	<p>More information about the behavior programs so we can implement the same rules at home.</p>
<p>*Recognition of student achievements at assembly etc. *Events for students and parents including recent visit by Channel 9, pampering of Mothers on Mothers Day, Anzac Day Ceremony, School Choir Excursions. *Onsite after school care</p>	<p>*Communicating to parents on learning curriculums for each term so parents are aware of what is being taught. *More teacher feedback on student progress and areas for improvement. *Clearer instructions for parents on completing parts of the communication book, and on required homework placed within the book. *Holding information sessions after 5pm so working Mums and Dads can attend.</p>	<p>*Information session by year level at the start of each term addressing points raised in item 6. Could be a question/answer and discussion session. *Would be appreciated if these types of sessions could be held after 5pm so working Mums and Dads can attend.</p>
<p>The focus on the natural environment eg. The development of the nature play space/s, garden, association with community conservation work The friendly, energetic vibe</p>	<p>Parking! Still not enough spaces close to the early childhood area for parents to secure a park while dropping off/picking up students with younger siblings in tow Looking forward to seeing an expansion of the instrumental music program, as that is important to us</p>	
<p>it's a happy place</p>		
<p>Pride amongst teachers and students. Shown hugely at assembly</p>		

<p>Both kindy & preprimary teachers are very supportive towards my kid learning. I am very happy with the pace of how they gradually encourage kids to learn the sounds, to recognise words, to read & write. I can talk to them with any concern.</p> <p>I enjoy seeing the school encouraging children to be healthy by eating healthy food at school and also keeping fit by walking, riding instead of coming to school by car. I can see the school is doing its best to encourage this exercise. Well done!</p>	<p>in regards to shortage of parkings, it would be nice if there is an area where school can design a sheltered drop off & pick up zone for older school children. That would save a lot of parking spots of parents with younger children.</p>	
<p>Sense of community Multi cultural students and teachers</p>	<p>Playground improvements I wish the assembly's were in a Friday</p>	<p>Music programme</p>
<p>No home works</p>	<p>More feedback and comments on child's progress would be useful in order to help the child at home.</p>	<p>Schoolbag is a good idea and that is sufficient to keep us informed.</p>

<p>I always feel welcome in regards to communicate with teachers office and principle.</p>	<p>More help or assistance on my child stressing over learning and not wanting to go to school. I feel like a failure as a parent with the amount of time my child is not in attendance. As a single parent working 7 days and going through a seperation it isnt always easy to see school as number 1. I need to keep my health in check to function as a care giver and fiancial aspects. Sometimes the fight to get ready for school is just way to much for me...sorry</p> <p>Also the money ive paid out in first term including back to school exceeds my budget and have had to cut phone and internet of,vinnies for Alinta and food assistance and synergy under hardship. Costs need to be spread out ie; camp swimming choir graduation shirts etc. Can the back to school list be sent out in early last term</p>	
<p>In general the quality of teachers. There are one or two that I am not satisfied with, otherwise the remaining teachers, I feel, are very committed, friendly and approachable.</p>	<p>After school team sports?</p>	<p>Guidance for helping children with homework. Guidance for helping children with social issues.</p>
<p>Teacher/parent relationships are great, kindy classrooms and playground are good, looking forward to when the nature playground is finished!</p>		<p>I don't know if you already do this or not, but an information session about transitioning from kindy to pp,and then again pp to year 1.</p>
<p>Can communicate with the teachers if my child is having a problem in class. The teachers are easy to approach.</p>	<p>A kiss and drop space so I can pull up drop my child off and drive away. Also can pick them up at the end of the day in the kiss and drop spot.</p>	
<p>Well maintained school grounds. The Helping Hands group are fantastic.</p>		

Accesibility to teachers and other professionals	Parking	What homework is expected of them. It's always been very confusing.
The teachers (Mrs Wiley especially!) are super fantastic and my daughter no longer wants to stay home on the weekends or why's away when we pull out books for learning. She loves her school so much she wants to attend every day, which really says something towards the level of care and the real effort of bannister creeks amazing staff.	Parking, it's a struggle to get parking most mornings and it can sometimes be quite unsafe for children to access the footpaths around the school.	None, it's fantastic communication as it is.
The sense of inclusiveness extended to all members - parents, carers & students alike; the open communication with carers by teachers; & the proactive care shown towards our environment, especially the education provided to the students regarding living sustainably.		
	Parking, undercover walkways, fairness to all students. What happened to crunch and sip? Not all teachers regularly provide this time.\nBreakfast Club?	
The teachers, the positive atmosphere, the well kept grounds, the sense of looking to improve.	I would like to see visual arts taught as a specialist subject as well as music. I would also like to see more innovation in the area of iPad use - integrating them into curriculum areas.	

<p>good principal, nice environment</p>	<p>hygiene standards during swimming needs to improve like have witnessed teachers taking preprimary kids to the toilet barefooted when they wanted to use toilet during the session. this may be due to the thongs placed far away something can be done about it also kids go to shower area barefooted which is not 100% safe something about placement of thongs must be done</p>	
<p>The staff at Bannister Creek are very approachable and they want the best for the children at the school and it really shows. They communicate well with the families and many times go above and beyond what is expected. Its a good team environment and the students really thrive because of this.</p> <p>There are alot of "extras" at the school for children to participate in like the choir and sports programmes which we are very fortunate to have and also the incentives within the school for kids to try their best are very good.</p> <p>The services available to parents and students through the chaplain and learning support team are very helpful.</p>	<p>I have no concerns overall, the school is running well and always looking to improve itself.</p> <p>If I had to say one thing i would probably say i do think its important is to make sure children that are always doing the right thing, always working hard and maybe under the radar a little as quiet and hard working are recognised for their efforts and not forgotten. Its great to recognise those that are trying harder and showing good behaviour absolutely but also those that are always trying their best need to be noticed too to build the confidence as sometimes these kids are left til the end of the year before receiving any recognition for the effort they put in everyday and it can be quite deflating if not recognised.</p>	<p>I think the school communicates well with the parents and have no concerns in this area.</p>

<p>The fantastic facilities, very engaged teachers on the whole, great science program and very approachable and very helpful admin staff.</p>	<p>I would love to see more school related before/after school sports programs. I would also like to see a screening process for attention issues in children. I feel sometimes teachers get quite frustrated with children who have trouble paying attention when there can be underlying issues such as ADD or auditory processing disorders or other neurological deficits that can be an underlying cause. Teachers at this school are fantastic and the majority deal with this well, but some feel complaining about it to parents will help, when what parents really need someone to work with them to find a solution. Most children don't choose to be a child that lacks attention, so I think help in this area would go a long way.</p>	<p>Information on how we can improve learning to help children reach their potential, with different learning programs.</p>
<p>School Environment Positive Teachers Community approach</p>	<p>Extra assistants to aid children who are falling behind or learn differently Encouraging more Cultural activities - guest speakers</p>	
<p>Clean, friendly staff and helpful reception staff. Both teachers have been wonderful and my daughter has progressed well.</p>	<p>Parking Parking is limited, even if you arrive before 8.30am there is still limited spaces and it's a race to get one. I'm a working mum that needs to park and then drive onto work and get there on time. On my days off I walk. Pre primary students aren't just dropped off no left like other years, so I need to park and then go into the classroom.</p>	
<p>Positive atmosphere. The school tries lots of different ways to stimulate children. Facilities are well maintained. The school is flexible to challenge and develop children of all levels.</p>	<p>Where children do well, the school could challenge the children more.</p>	<p>We would like to have children's progress meetings twice a year, linked to the report cycle.</p>
<p>Sense of community & friendship</p>	<p>Teacher communication</p>	

	the schools actual oval , a great oval but lacking the maintance and care that it needs example, prickles, weeds, lumpy surface	
The support & enthusiasm shown through out the school system is fantastic. The children love going to school & are encouraged to find things that they enjoy doing & learning about.	Sometimes there could be more supervision, mainly during break times, in the play areas.	The skoolbag app is great, getting up to date information about what is happening is very reassuring. The only thing that stands out is the new play area in the kindy area - not much information about what is happening with it.
My child is happy and learning at an appropriate level. The opportunity to obtain feedback from the teachers is made available. The parent- teacher interviews were very useful and gave a good overview of child's progress. The effort to make changes to the grounds such as vege- gardens and nature-scape playground which are great for learning and play areas. Making available a variety of afterschool programs such as gardening, lego-engineering, basketball, PIMS which adds to quality of education. The availability of onsite before and after school care is very useful for working parents. The focus and development on music programs such as senior choir, PIMS and ukulele is fantastic especially for families from lower socio-economic backgrounds who may not get the opportunity to participate outside of school. The support provided by the school for P&C ideas and projects.	We would strongly support the introduction of SIMS into the School at an earlier than year 6 as provided to other primary schools. The introduction of a healthy food policy. Looking at ways and means to reduce the consumption of highly processed foods and encouraging fresh foods with less preservatives and additives. Having an Art specialist	A session for parents on some of the online tools used in the school such as maths online. More information about what is covered in phys-ed for various age groups. Online bullying information sessions.
Being able to get quick progress reports from teachers if there is an issue.	There are too many kids in the class room. No Split Classes ie 4/3 2/3 etc. More support in Class rooms	What asking parents what they would like to see at this school.
The teachers and the learning enviroment.	Parking	

Variety	Can not think of any	The school does what it can but if the parents don't want to take up these opportunities that a provided there is noting the school can do, there are plenty of parent information sessions.
Beautiful outdoor area for the children. Interesting art work. Encourages children to go to school with nice teachers	Need more parking	Parents and teachers meeting per term
Diversity and equality. I love that my kids are exposed to a wide range of cultures and taught to treat everyone equally. I also love the encouragement for physical education and gardening.	Parking	I prefer contact through the app. I don't have time to include more meetings.
I feel the teachers and school heads are of a high standard, and are approachable and understanding. I believe my son is safe when on school ground and the environment is positive. I have had some behaviour issues with my child, however, I have always felt supported by staff with regards to these concerns and have never felt my child was treated unfairly. Mrs Macauley! Her willingness to try new things :)	I think there should be more sporting equipment available for the children to use during recess and lunch, or children should be permitted to bring their own.	In my experience, class teachers have provided an information session at the start of each year. I have always found these sessions informative and fulfilling. I hope there will be some form of info/guidance provided in the future regarding high school. I have always felt I could find info if I needed it- the office ladies are a great resource! I the school bag app seems to be working well.
The in class learning support aides	Actually using the communication books i waste money on every year.	
Communication Organisation Teacher parent relations Curriculum and goals	Parking is a priority issue to be assessed.	I think the school has ample notifications apps emails and general newsletter and verbal communication with parents.
Teachers are very down to earth honest and hardworking, my child is well settled ..	I see no improvement needed atm	

The majority of teachers are approachable and friendly. The school assemblies are a showcase of our school and the children's pride in it. The P & C involvement is great.		
The kids want to be there. Teachers are friendly.	Parking, Parking and parking.	All good.
the teachers & staff are always very helpful	Having meetings/information sessions that working parents can attend	
It is a school that works well with its community and has a lot of parent involvement and support through its P AND C and fundraising events. The school also offers a great selection of staff that care and encourage students to do their best in all areas of the curriculum. lastly the school has a great layout.	I would like to see a bigger science room and more equipment. This would provide a better learning environment and allow more room for equipment.	I am happy with the way the school already informs me about programs through the school news letter, sms and school website.
excellent education standards and teachers that genuinely care about the students	car parking	school newsletter via mail...not email
The teachers are really helpful.	it would be better if school provides a curriculum or the topics that will be covered at the beginning of each term. So that parents can easily know what their kids are doing at school and help the out.	Maybe the above mentioned problem can be discussed in the session where parents who are interested in knowing the topics covered for each subject or the curriculum can get all the info and help their children study.
Neat and tidy and well maintained, overall the teachers have my kids well being at heart.	I am seeing an increase in disruptive students preventing other students in those classes from learning. I do not like seeing split years i.e. years 2/3 and years 5/6 together to me this does not allow those students in a particular year to follow their own curriculum. Too much emphasis is being placed on things like dance sport where time could be better used by allocating more time on the curriculum. Students are falling behind in their subjects. It would be nice to see the school offer a before, during or after school study/homework club established.	Reasons why different years share the same classrooms and why are there so many unnecessary activities and focus on Dance sport and the like.

Sing fest. Father project- Camping. The teachers in PP and Kindergarten are awesome.	More school interest group for kids.	
The teachers are very involved with their students, from running after school clubs, providing comfort and care to distressed students, to buying a lot of classroom equipment out of their own budgets. The school looks great and is very well maintained. All the support staff are very friendly and helpful The principal is involved with the school, teachers and P&C and looks for ways to improve the school.	Extended learning programs - it would be great to see some tailored programs for gifted and intelligent children, right from pre-primary through to year six. I would also like to see the music program extended to the younger children.	A parent information session about the skoolbag app would be of use. I think this is answer to parents being better informed about the other school programs and initiatives. So far I have loved the kindy and the pre-primary parent information sessions - these have been a great introduction for me to get to know the school and the teachers and what I need to have organised.
Positive attitudes by all staff and a very friendly place for the kids to be.	A little more structured homework for the older students - at the moment there is virtually none except a recommendation to get them to read at home	Email information if required
Well maintained and encourage kids for hard work	Security at night	N/A
N/A	Need Security at night	n/a
Overall	The playground and the writing	N/A
The Teachers, Principal, Deputy Principal, Office Staff and School Psych have the utmost respect for all students and parents at the school. I don't have a negative thing to say about the school at all.	At the moment I don't really have any only I would like to see other languages taught at school. Maybe also if funds were available to have the canteen open everyday like most schools.	On the school app I think is appropriate
I like the fact that after school care is offered at the school. I like that the school has a sense of community feel to it.	I would like the class sizes to be made smaller. As a working parent I would love if the teachers could communicate a little more as to how our child is going in class in the communication book.	I think the communication from the school is great. I love the Skoolbag App. I like getting the newsletters via email and also having access to programs and initiatives through FaceBook is handy too :-)
	Prepare kids for Year 7	

<p>Community mindedness. Overall respect that is instilled in the children of their school and their fellow students.</p>	<p>Ground safety. There are a couple of white gum trees that need to be removed in light of the recent storms and the trees ability to drop boughs. 1 by the T3 demountable and one by the woodford ave entrance to the school near the chicken coup. Also playground equipment. The year 1 playground is not suitable for their age group and should be replaced.</p>	<p>I think the communication between the school and parents is excellent. The parent/teacher interviews are sufficient and should we as parents wish to enquire about a certain aspect of the curriculum - the teachers have been very receptive to that.</p>
<p>That the teachers and staff are all focused on the students and their education, emotional and socialization needs.</p> <p>That if an issue arises that needs a solution, Bannister creek will do everything needed to try and address the issue.</p>	<p>Tend to get focused on one key area of learning that needs attention and this may allow other areas to fall behind. Maybe need to try to have a more balanced focus across all learning areas.</p>	
<p>Friendly approachable Staff who are always ready to listen to concerns</p>		

Do you read the newsletter?	How do you access the newsletter?	Do you feel the newsletter has relevant content?
Always	Skoolbag App, Email	Yes
Always	Email	Yes
Always	Skoolbag App, Email	Yes
Sometimes	Email	Yes

Always	Skoolbag App	Yes
Always	Skoolbag App, Email	Yes
Sometimes	Email	Yes
Always	Email	Yes
Sometimes	Email	Yes
Sometimes	Skoolbag App	Yes
Always	Skoolbag App, Email	Yes
Always	Skoolbag App, Email	Yes
Always	Skoolbag App, Email	Yes
Always	Skoolbag App, Email	Yes

Always	Skoolbag App, Email	Yes
Always	Paper	Yes
Always	Skoolbag App, Email	Yes
Always	Skoolbag App, Email	Yes
Always	Email	Yes
Always	Skoolbag App, Email	Yes
Sometimes	Skoolbag App	Yes

Always	Email	Yes
Always	Skoolbag App, Email	Yes
Always	Email	Yes
Always	Skoolbag App, Email	Yes
Always	Skoolbag App, Email	Yes

Sometimes

Skoolbag App

Yes

Always	Skoolbag App, Email, Website	Yes
Sometimes	Email	Yes
Always	Email	Yes

Always	Skoolbag App, Email	Yes
Always	Email	Yes
Sometimes	Email	Yes
Always	Email	Yes
Always	Skoolbag App	Yes
Always	Skoolbag App, Email	Yes
Always	Skoolbag App	Yes
Always	Email	Yes

Always	Skoolbag App, Email	Yes
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Sometimes	Email	Yes
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Always	Email	Yes
Always	Skoolbag App, Email, Website	Yes

Always	Email	Yes
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Sometimes	Email, Paper	Yes
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Always	Skoolbag App, Paper	Yes
Always	Skoolbag App, Email	Yes
Sometimes	Skoolbag App, Email	Yes
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Always	Skoolbag App, Email	Yes
Always	Email	Yes
Always	Skoolbag App, Email	Yes

How could we improve the newsletter?	As an Independent Public School Bannister Creek is governed by a School Board. Do you feel you are informed enough in relation to the function of our School Board?	Comments
Not sure	No	Overall very happy with the school
Nothing	Yes	<p>I feel that sometimes certain issues that are mention to higher management does not get carried through . Also feel that some children in the playground dont get punishment for certain behavior when school rules are broken .ie a child getting a orange slip for placing hands on another child and then when another child dose it that dont get punishment. Sometimes feel there is a favourtism to certain students i mean teachers turn a blind eye. Also feel that some teachers are very quick to move kids aside all wave them away if that dont understand them.</p> <p>When ur child has speech issues and starts to find it hard to get words together when he is in a hurry or nervous and teachers on duty just tell them that dont understand him or yell at him cause he dosent hear the whistle etc.It is hard cause when you do approach a teacher to ask them what happened with a certain incident the story is different than what ur child says. I know my child isn't perfect and im in total agreeable with discipline</p>
I think it is fine and very informative.	Yes	<p>We are new to Bannister Creek this year and we are very happy with our daughter being there. The staff are excellent and our daughter is very settled in her new school. Thank you for your efforts it is much appreciated.</p>
I like it	Yes	

I can't think of anything at the moment.	No	I am new to the school And new to an IPS school So not sure what to expect either.
nothing to improve, it is really well put together	Yes	
....	No
Seems ok to me.	Yes	
...	No
N/a	Yes	
I m happy with its curet format	Yes	
I am finding that the Skool app is wonderful but sometimes it is not working and unable to be accessed meaning that I still need to check my email and therefore making the app not very helpful	Yes	
Unfortunately I can't think of any changes the newsletter may need as a lot of information goes into them each fortnight. The only thing I could suggest is checking the content each fortnight as I've noticed a couple of newsletters seemed to have had their content repeated.	Yes	
Is its straightforward so i guess keep it that way.	Yes	Continue improving and we wish all the board,teacher and staff the best always. If any help is needed do not hesitate to ask help from parent am sure other parents like us wouldnt mind as long it is for the best of the school and our community

<p>I'm pretty happy with the content of the school newsletter. Perhaps have a focus class each week, where parents can see what kids are learning. I would like to see what topics are being focused on in Science.</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>I guess so, I feel like I'm aware enough for whats relevant to myself and my kids.</p>
<p>No improvement needed.</p>	<p>Yes</p>	
<p>News letter is good!</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Maybe minute of P&C meeting can be shown in newsletter or emailed to those request it. Parents can't always make meetings!</p>
<p>Unsure</p>	<p>Yes</p>	
<p>No suggestion</p>	<p>Yes</p>	
<p>More info from classrooms/teachers. Maybe a year level snippet so we can keep up to date with what children are learning about.</p>	<p>Yes</p>	
<p>More photos of events in the school and early childhood classrooms</p>	<p>Yes</p>	

Nil ideas at present	Yes	Nil
I like it how it is	No	Love being part of a friendly school with great teachers and committee spirit
No suggestions	Yes	Skoolbag app is ridiculously slow and download hungry. Behaviour of parents is appalling sometimes. False accusations and rumours being spread through school community by current P&C members is disgraceful and unacceptable.
Maybe class updates from one class per newsletter	Yes	
it's easy to read and anything I'm not interesting in I just pass over	Yes	

<p>More student input or perhaps a seperate student newsletter. Many parents do not know what happens at school. Some kids do not tell them. Perhaps parents would want to be more involved with their kids and the school community if they better understood what goes on there.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>In general, thanks to all involved for an awesome job. We are lucky to have a wonderful school community. ;)</p>
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<p>Not sure. I think it works well. I would like to see a full year term key dates planner sent at the start of each year. Currently I often read the newsletter on my phone when I don't have access to my kitchen calendar, and find I forget to open it later to transcribe dates (but this is my fault)!</p>	<p>No</p>	
<p>no suggestions</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>no idea who the Board is or what their mandate is or what they have done.</p>
<p>Perhaps communicate reminders about non-tuition days and events (e.g. fundraisers, stalls) with more notice than the newsletter just prior to it occurring.</p>	<p>Yes</p>	

Pretty good as it is	Yes	
It's fine	No	The headlice problem needs addressing. I'm sick of treating my child., When the kids with lice are allowed to remain at school. It's beyond a joke.
Thanks	Yes	Thanks
cant think of anything to be improved at this time	No	
The newsletter is really user friendly, easy to read so I don't think I would change anything at this stage.	No	I don't know anything about IPS schools
I don't know.	Yes	
Sometimes it feels there is a little too much information in the newsletter. This could put people off reading it every fortnight.	No	
N/A	Yes	

How about a class showcase - what they are doing or even a subject showcase.	Yes	
No issues identified	Yes	
I read it consistently when I had a hard copy. I know this is neither environmentally friendly nor cost effective, however a hard copy was convenient to take in the car or to the toilet to read.	No	
Newsletter is excellent	Yes	
?	Yes	
Easier to follow layout	Yes	
I like it	Yes	
.	No	.

<p>Maybe have a children's committee section, children could interview children. that sort of stuff.</p> <p>Maybe have a "volunteers required" section when applicable (if not already done so) for the school and perhaps local community.</p>	Yes	<p>The Board is doing a good job.</p> <p>Regards</p>
<p>May the newsletter could be sent to the different group such as pre-kindy,primary with different contents.</p>	No	<p>My son just enrolled to this school in this February, so me and my son are still adapting to this school with its rules and functions. I hope I can get more information from School Board in the future.</p>
<p>???</p>	No	<p>No comment</p>
<p>I think it is fine</p>	Yes	
<p>printing and sending home with every child is the way to go.</p>	No	<p>All in all a wonderful school, we are very lucky to be apart of the community and culture that the principle has developed there - as far as we are concerned she is the reason it works. the community feeling at the assembly is testament to that as the feeling when she is not there is very different....</p>
<p>more information about school activities</p>	No	
<p>One page of school information and updates is plenty. Photos and children's activities on skoolbag app only.</p>	Yes	
<p>Nothing I can think of</p>	Yes	
<p>I'm happy and can easily understand what is in there</p>	Yes	<p>I'm proud that my 3 children went to this school</p>
<p>?? unsure</p>	Yes	<p>Very happy with the opportunities afforded my son. You have all nurtured him beautifully. Thank you ??</p>
<p>I don't think there needs to be any improvement.</p>	Yes	
<p>I like the newsletter</p>	Yes	

We think it is pretty good. :-)	No	
Newsletter is great	Yes	

<p>It needs to have more clearly defined sections ie within school news, extra curricular (external activities), community relevant, future events (I know there is a dates list but within the articles its difficult to distinguish between what has happened and what hasn't)</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>I'm not originally from Australia so am not really sure about public/independant /private schooling differences.</p>
<p>I don't believe any changes are necessary. It is a good source of general information.</p>	<p>Yes</p>	
<p>I was recently wanting a contact email for the P&C and could not find it anywhere in the newsletter or website! - perhaps this could be added? You could have a section in some newsletters (maybe not all) with basic details (or updates) on some of the specialist things going on at the school eg. garden, conservation work, music program - to introduce new parents in particular (like me!) to all the different things students can be involved with.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>We have been very happy with our experiences at the school so far (with the exception of parking stress!)</p>
<p>have more informarion</p>	<p>No</p>	
<p>Not sure?</p>	<p>No</p>	

Pretty good newsletter	Yes	
Teacher profiles.	Yes	
To lessen text	No	
Have a student's page(s).	No	Keep up the good work and may you go from strength to strength.

<p>Things our children are pictured in send a paper copy home so it can be kept</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Want to thank everyone i love this school and my girls are happy. I have no issues with any teachers or admin including principles.</p>
<p>Have the first page stating anything out of the normal ordinary reporting. E.g. upcoming events parents need to be aware of. The important dates to the left are great. But anything else like we might need to be made aware of (anything we need to pay for, provide a note for etc)</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>This may be my own lack of reading information provided.</p>
<p>I am satisfied with the content/layout etc.</p>	<p>Yes</p>	
<p>It's fine the way it is. Good job.</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>Overall its a great school and more then happy to send my children there.</p>
<p>No comment</p>	<p>No</p>	

Ensure important dates are front and centre and ensure any unusual requirements are clear - eg. Pirate day - what does this mean and what is expected	Yes	
It's fine (I'm saying that because it demanded I say something)	No	
N/a	No	
N/A.	Yes	N/A.
-	Yes	-
Maybe rotate round the classes with one class featured each newsletter - contributing photos of work or something happening in that class with written explanation, which the students could also write for the older classes.	No	
Not sure.	No	

<p>doesnot need much improvement</p>	<p>No</p>	
<p>I think it works well, reads well, no complaints.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>Overall we feel very blessed to have our children going to BCPS and our children are very happy at the school. The school staff work hard and it shows in the faces of the children who are always smiling. Thank you to all the staff for all the hard work</p>

Fine as it is	Yes	
Encouraging more student input	Yes	Overall Bannister Creek is a great school for my child to attend. I would recommend this school to anyone.
None	No	I didnt know the above!
Increase the resolution of the images.	Yes	We think this is a great school with hardworking staff. It is good that the school regularly seeks feedback from parents and community on it's progress.
I am happy with the newsletter	Yes	
N/A	Yes	
n/a	Yes	

no need to improve its all there highlighted imported dates on side	No	great school, keep up the work, but would love to see the actual school oval being used
Great content, lots of pictures - can't think of any improvements needed.	Yes	The work & support given throughout the school is fantastic. Very happy that my child goes here.
I think it's great.	Yes	I know where to find the School Board information and minutes on the website, however it might also be useful to remind others of this in the newsletter or by announcing any important School Board initiatives at assemblies (if not already done).
.	Yes	
nil	No	Nil
Doesn't need improvement in my option	No	
Its fine as is.	Yes	Just need more parking. ??

hard copies are more appropriate,	Yes	
Very happy with it	Yes	
I think it's fine.	No	
I believe the newsletter is satisfactory.	Yes	The information can be found, if wanted.
Not sure	No	
The current newsletter setup is ideal not to long not to short provides all info required.	Yes	I think a joint petition between parents teachers and the local houses bordering the school is required to either obtain parking around the current sports oval or to be given an exemption between 2.45pm and 3.30pm on parking restriction on only the oval side of the road. I personally think the inspectors are hiding and giving people misleading info to obtain fines or clearly revenue raising if only the revenue raised would be used to come up with a parking solution.
its good as is going atm	No	maybe more mentioned in the newsletter on a regular basis

I think it's informative as it is.	Yes	School report is generated for all.
N/A	No	
All good	Yes	All good.
No need	Yes	
no need to, as it's already very informative.	No	Do not know anything about that side of things with the school.
better layout.... not so crammed and in year brackets	Yes	
You are already doing a good job with the newsletter.	No	None
Not sure	No	Overall we do have a great little school with a majority of support from the community. I do feel the school needs to lift the standard of the students grades as a whole our school is behind and needs to address this issue. We need to address the problem of disruptive behaviour/students hindering those who wish to learn. Lastly a small minority of parents need to park and drop off and pick up there kids in safer more efficient manner and not block the main road by queuing on the road outside the kindy and pre primary car park whilst waiting for there kids to emerge from class.

<p>Scale it down to 2 pages and maybe do it weekly instead. The 6 page one a couple of weeks ago was overwhelming</p>	<p>Yes</p>	
<p>I feel the newsletter is fine as is.</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>I really have very little idea what the School Board does and how much power it actually has over the running of the school and school policy.</p>
<p>I think its fine, just a lot of parents dont find the time to read it</p>	<p>No</p>	