

Friday 14 October 2022

Dear Everyone

While our lives are beset by opinion polls, surveys and the like, every so often it is very helpful to the school to have a more detailed picture of our community.

To that end, a couple of weeks ago I sent out a note about the ISC's parent survey. The ISC is 'the voice of independent education', and is enormously helpful to us with information about what is happening in education. It is also invaluable as a lobbying association.

As a gentle nudge, the ISC wrote to me yesterday to say that so far 49 submissions from SPCS have completed the survey. The more parents that do complete it, the better the picture for us. And this then helps inform strategy.

You can access the survey online using the following link:

<https://surveys.isc.co.uk/ParentSurvey/welcome.aspx?SurveyID=179170>.

The survey should take no more than 15 minutes to complete, but it **must** be completed at one sitting. Please only complete **one** survey for our school. If you have more than one child at our school, please complete the survey for your **eldest** child.

The second survey is about SPCS and how we market ourselves. The way that people find out information about schools is changing rapidly, and we're in the process of reviewing our marketing and communications. I hear from some parents of all sorts of fun things that other schools do for such things as open days, and it would be helpful to capture those ideas. In short, how can we be even better?

So, a short survey here:

<https://forms.gle/L8t78QnHN2GBK8Zg9>

Last night Jools Holland played a benefit gig in the crypt of the Cathedral. I hear it was fantastic. Here's a fun moment with Hugh Laurie from a past telly programme. It's at times like this when I wish I had taken up my mum's encouragement to learn the piano. I guess there is still time...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IDZiTgn0rhg>

Final point, 38 days. Wow, that's something.

Best wishes

Simon