



SEND Newsletter April 2026

Message from the Special Educational Needs Co-Ordinator (SENCo)

Welcome back!

I hope you had a lovely Easter break.

I would like to express my sincere thanks to the parents who completed the SEND survey via School Spider last term. The purpose of the survey was to gather the views of parents with children who have SEND regarding provision at Brierley. We received thirty-eight responses, which will contribute to strengthening SEND provision. Further details of the survey outcomes are outlined in this newsletter.

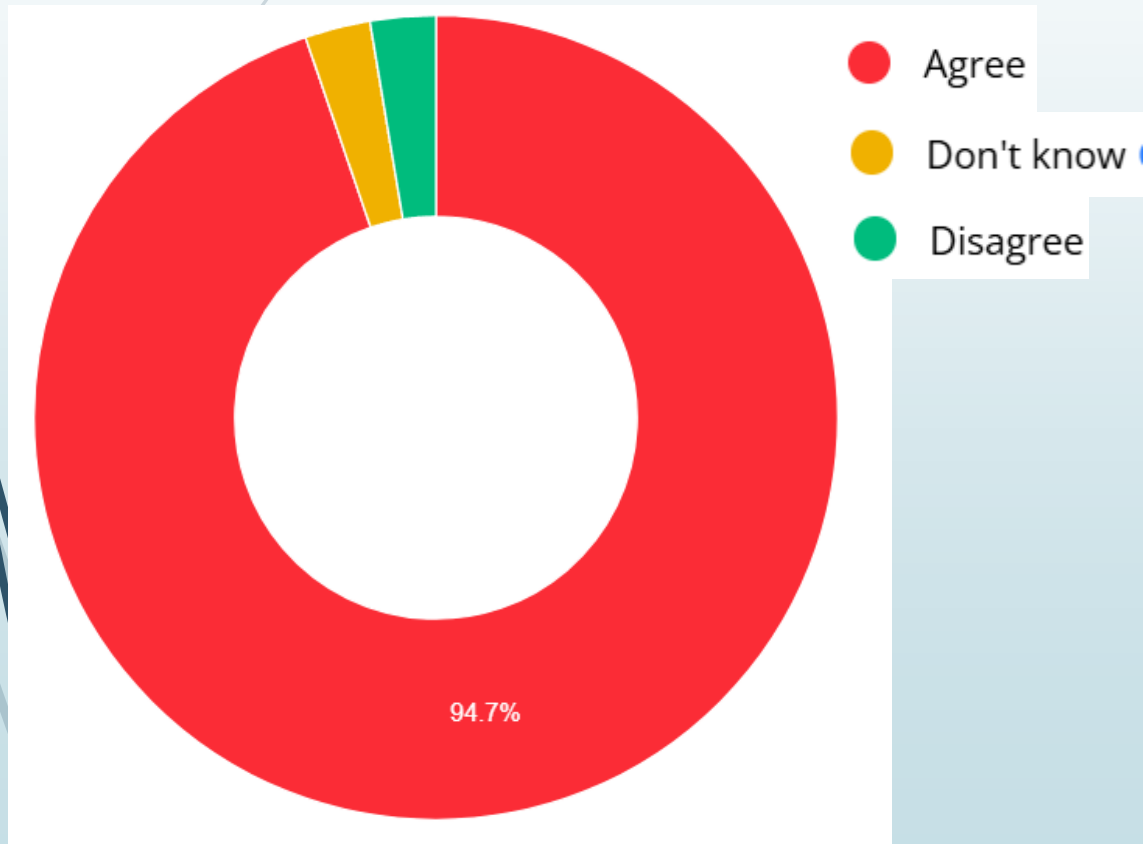
Warmest Regards,
Mrs Cunningham

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SEND Survey

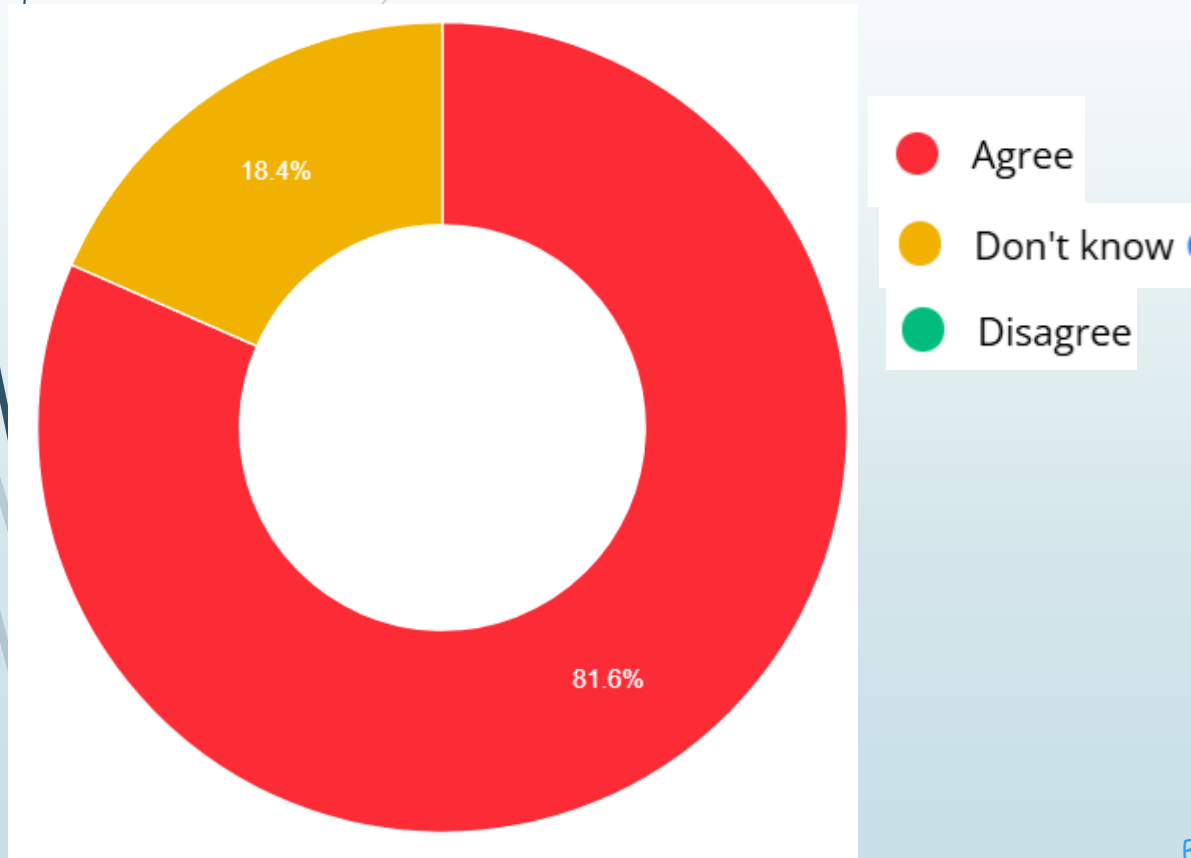
I know who the school's Special Educational Needs Coordinator (SENCo) is and can contact the SENCo if I have worries or concerns.



The SEND coordinator at Brierley Primary School is Mrs Cunningham. Her role as SENCo is to organise support for children from across the school that need extra support with aspects of their learning and development. This work is in addition to the interventions being carried out by teachers and our experienced teaching assistants. If parents have a SEN concern, they are always encouraged to speak with their child's class teacher however can contact the SENCo via email: hcunningham@brierley.cheshire.sch.uk

SEND Survey

The school website contains information about SEND



The school website has a section all about Special Educational Needs and Disabilities. This section of the website details

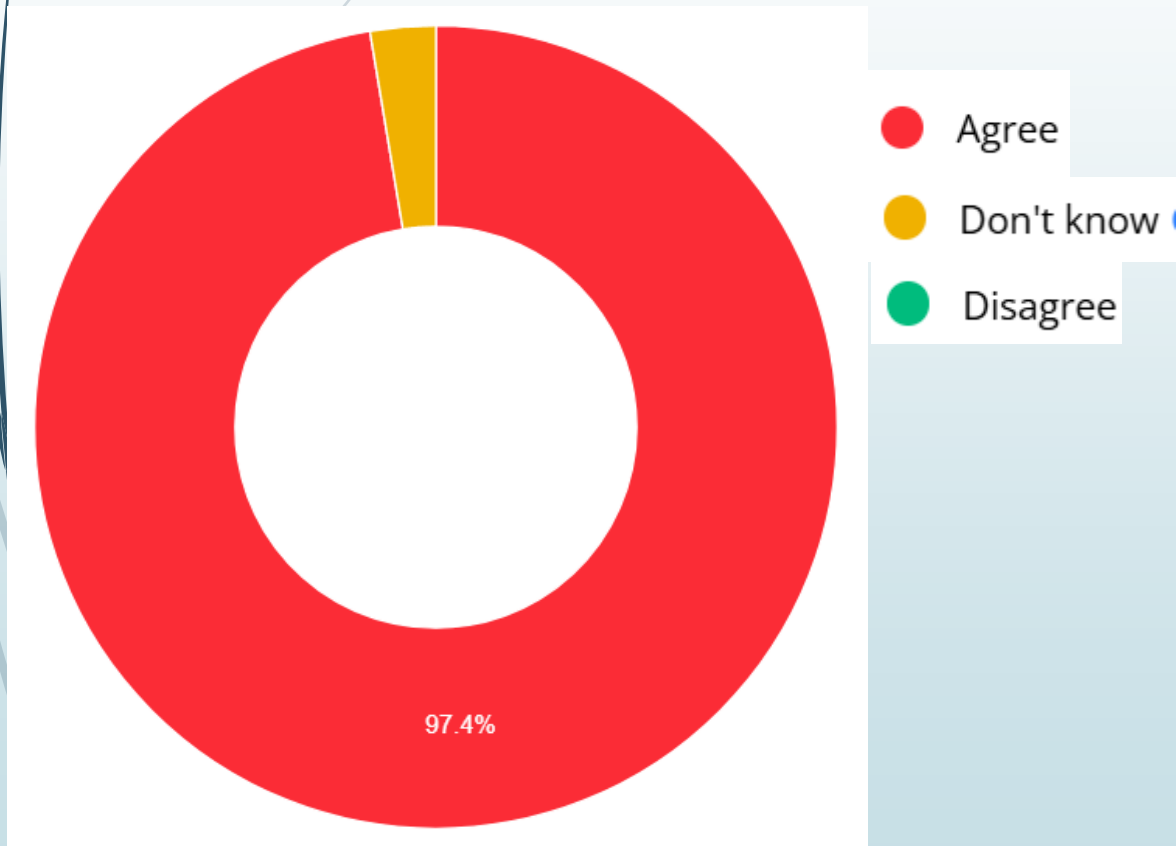
- *Roles and responsibilities of staff in school*
- *The different levels of support*
- *Examples of interventions*
- *Signposting for additional support for parents*
- *Policies*
- *Local Offer*
- *Past newsletters*
- *Resources for parents*

The link to this section of the website can be found below.

[Brierley Primary School: Special Educational Needs and Disabilities \(SEND\)](#)

SEND Survey

I receive updates and information regarding SEND support in the community. (For example, Family Hub drop-in sessions, newsletters etc)



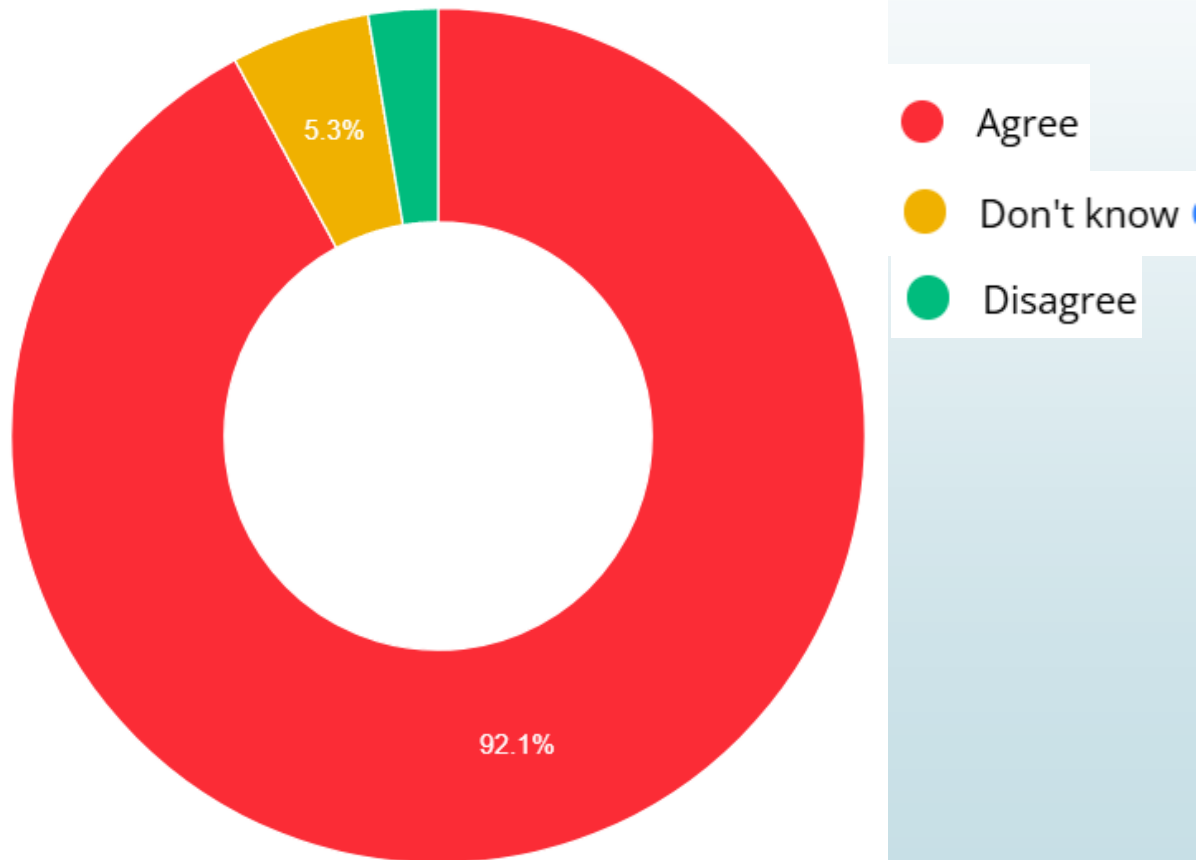
Information regarding SEND support within the community can be found on the Cheshire East Livewell Site:

<https://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/livewell/local-offer-for-children-with-sen-and-disabilities/local-offer-for-children-with-sen-and-disabilities.aspx>

In addition to this, school send School Spider messages of more targeted local support for parents of Brierley and update the SEND section of the website regularly. Details of further support are also signposted within the newsletters. If you require further support to access these services, please do not hesitate to contact us.

SEND Survey

I receive copies of my child's SEN support plan, and I am invited to give parental views.

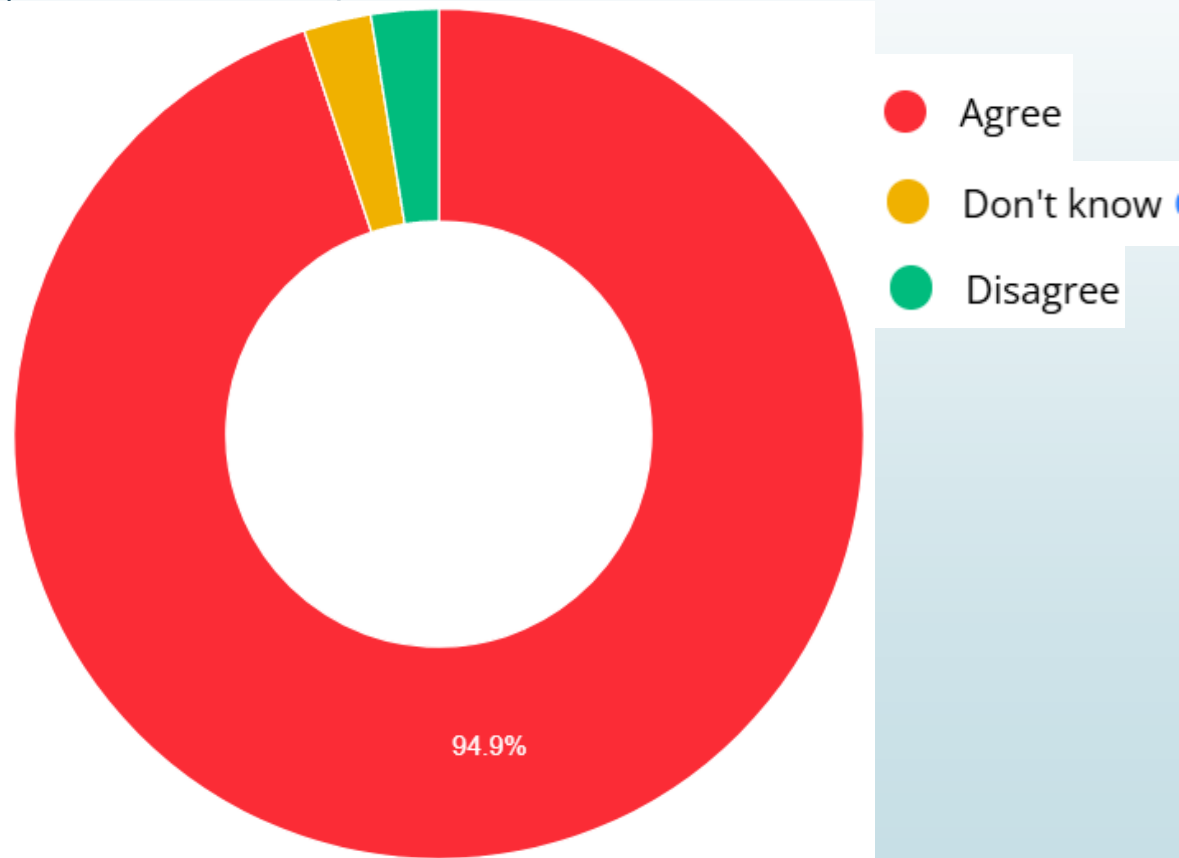


Parents of children with Special Educational Needs are invited to give their views towards their child's SEN support plan. A parental views form is sent home and then collected in and used to inform the SEND provision on their child's plan.

Parents are sent out electronic copies of their child's send support plan after each cycle review. This is usually once per term. If for any reason you have a child on a SEN support plan however have not received a copy of their plan, please contact the SENCo.

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The SEN support plan details the support and provision in place for my child, and I can discuss this with my child's teacher if necessary.

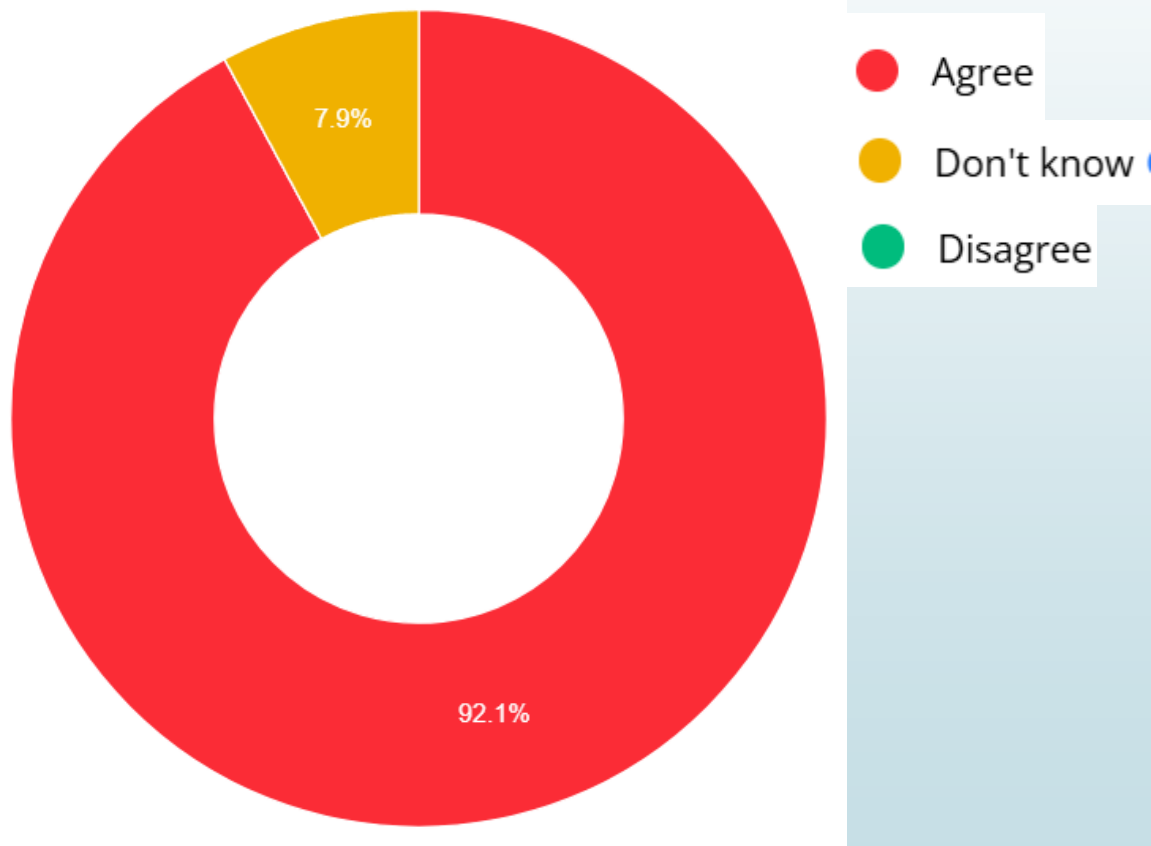


Should you wish to discuss your child's SEN targets and support further, please make an appointment to talk to your child's class teacher.

Each SEN support plan includes the area of need, SMART targets and the provision in place to support your child to achieve these targets. For more detail about the layout and information within your child's SEN support plan, please see November 2025 SEND newsletter on the school website.

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I feel the targets on my child's SEN support plan are appropriately matched to their needs.

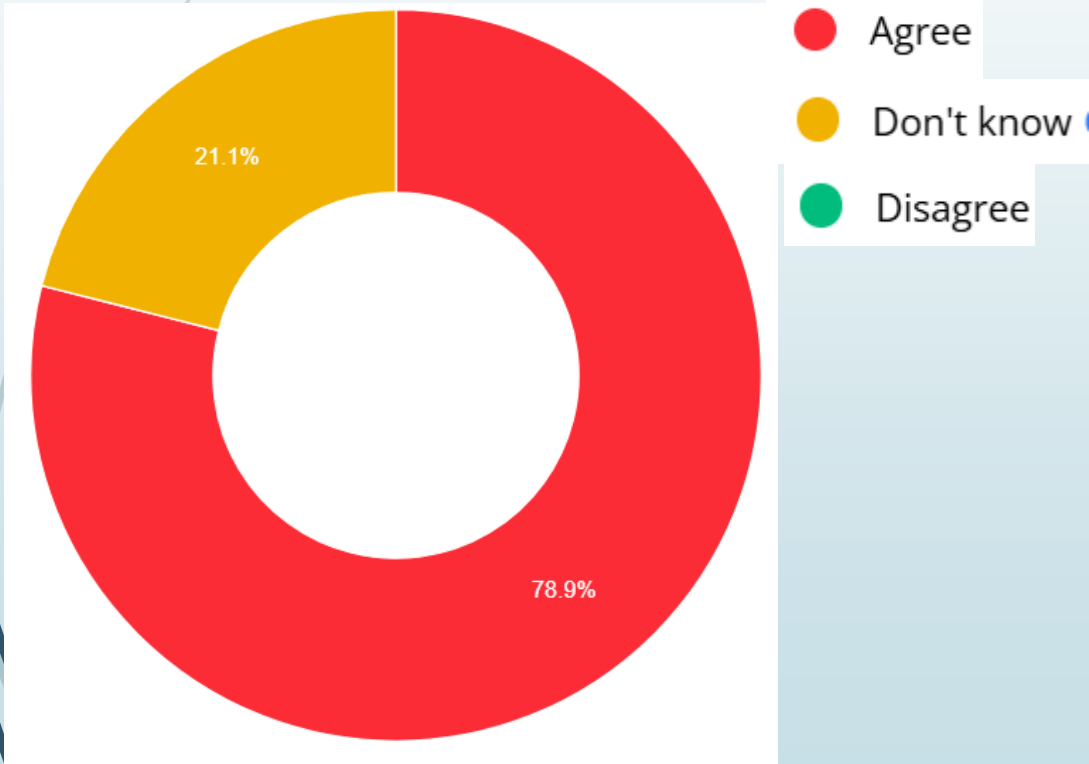


Please speak to your child's class teacher if you require further information regarding your child's educational needs in relation to their SEN support plan's SMART targets.

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My child accesses the full curriculum albeit with adaptations where necessary.

If there were any part of the curriculum your child could not access, parents would be made aware of this immediately.



At Brierley, we seek:

- To provide a broad, balanced curriculum for all pupils using effective adaptations at all levels.*
- Commitment from all staff across school to ensure high quality mainstream education that supports SEN and removes barriers to learning.*
- To have an awareness of SEN across the school and clear, effective strategies to ensure all pupils have access to the curriculum and other activities where appropriate.*
- To promote a love for learning, independence, resilience and self-worth for all children across the school.*

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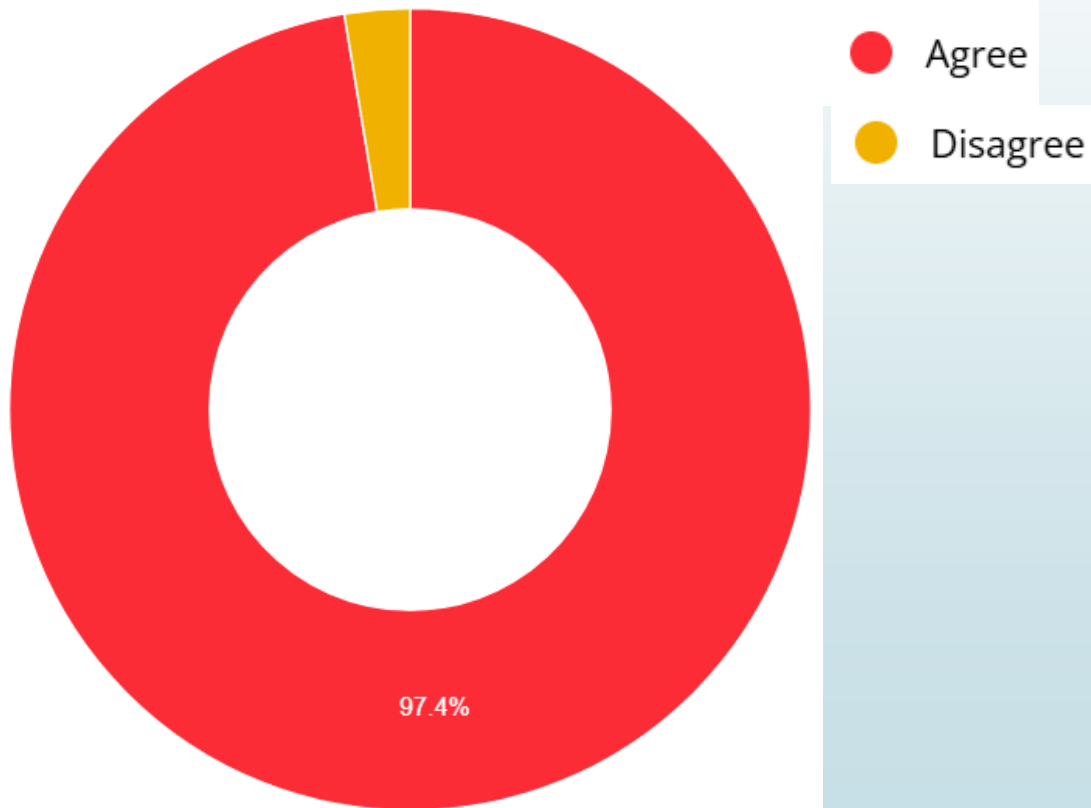
My child can access after school clubs, trips and activities within the wider community.

We are proud to offer many enriching experiences for all children at Brierley. So far this year, all children have:

- Accessed a free school trip*
- Have received visitors to widen educational experiences within school.*
- Took part in our 'Spotlight on Wellbeing Week.'*

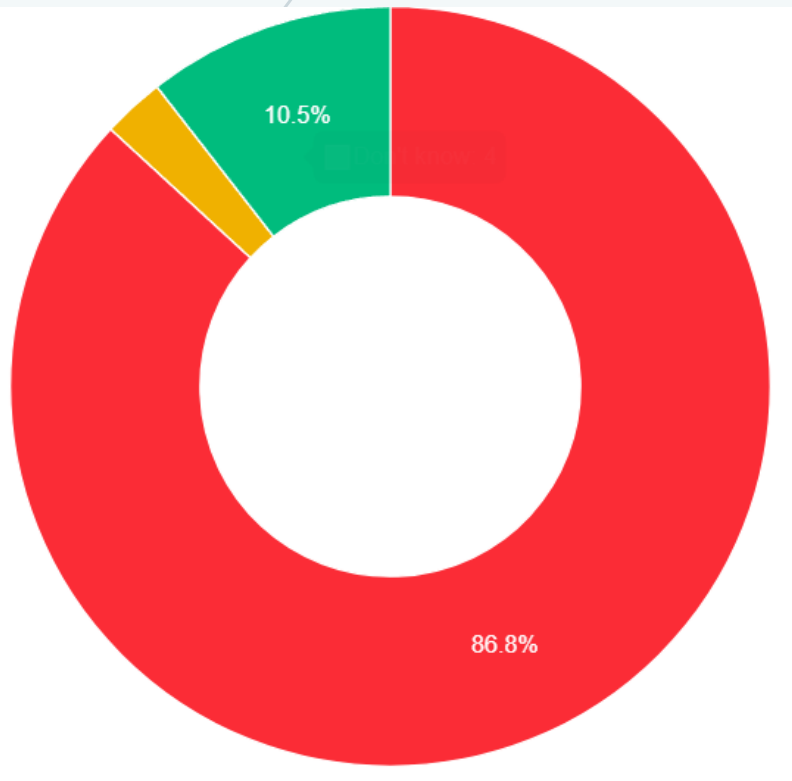
In addition to this, Years 1-6 parents can sign their child up to a range of free after school clubs run by Brierley staff. Club lists are sent out at the beginning of each half term and parents can sign their child up via School Spider.

Further activities for children with SEN in the wider community can be found on Cheshire East's Livewell Website however school regularly signpost parents to these via School Spider messages or via the newsletters.



SEND Survey

My child knows who they can talk to in school if they have any worries.



- Agree
- Disagree
- Don't know

Pupil voice is extremely important to us at Brierley. Having recently completed a pupil voice survey across the school, 99% of the children agreed that they felt they knew who they could speak to if they had any worries.

For the 1% who were not sure, further work has been implemented within classes to support with this.

Children are regularly reminded and taught to speak out if they are worried about anything through class PSHE sessions to whole school assemblies. This year, the children have all had further support on the 'Speak Out, Stay Safe' NSPCC programme.

Educational Psychologist Appointments at Family Hubs

If you would like to speak to an education psychologist about your child, this is a reminder you can book an appointment with one at one of the Family Hubs below.

Email Start for Life South to request an appointment: startforlifesouth@cheshireeast.gov.uk

25.03.26	Oakenclough Family Hub	9.30am - 4.15pm
26.03.26	Monks Coppenhall Family Hub	9.30am – 4.15pm
19.05.26	Ash Gove Family Hub (Macclesfield)	9.30am – 4.15pm
21.05.26	Monks Coppenhall Family Hub	9.30am – 4.15pm
30.06.26	Congleton Family Hub	9.30am – 4.15pm
02.07.26	Monks Coppenhall Family Hub	9.30am – 4.15pm



The Endorphins Group

Providing Short Breaks across Cheshire East

The Endorphins Group are commissioned by the Cheshire East Local authority to deliver SEND sessions across four locations.

Their Energise provision provides enriching and engaging group-based sessions for children and young people with SEND.

Sessions are now up and running in Crewe & Nantwich

[*New* Crewe Saturday Sessions - Endorphins Group UK](#)

Paediatric Occupational Therapy for Functional Skills and Motor Coordination

The CCICP Paediatric Occupational Therapy service includes universal advice to support children and young people to develop skills in everyday activities. This includes strategies and activities to develop functional skills and motor coordination such as:

- Washing, dressing and other self-care skills.
- Independence using cutlery.
- Fine motor skills e.g., grasp, hand manipulation skills and strength.
- Gross motor skills e.g., balance, ball skills and riding a bike.
- Motor aspects of handwriting

For more information, visit their website (link below).

[Paediatric Occupational Therapy Service :: Mid Cheshire Hospitals NHS](#)



SEND Drop-In Sessions with 0-19+ Service

SEND 0-19+ health practitioners (on behalf of health visitor/school nursing services Cheshire East) are there for parents of children and young people, to support, signpost and guide, with all SEND related issues. They can help you to understand why your child may be struggling and offer ideas that may help.

Think your child may have SEND and not sure where to go or what to do? Need support around toileting, sleep, behaviour or development? Feel free to book in for some advice. You will be seen on a 1-1 basis and there is no need to bring your child.

Thurs 16 April 9.15am – 12.15pm Monks Coppenhall SEND Hub (appts only)

Thurs 21st May 9.15am – 12.15pm Monks Coppenhall SEND Hub (appts only)

Thurs 4th June 9.15am – 12.15am Monks Coppenhall SEND Hub (appts only)

Thurs 9th July 9.15am – 12.15am Monks Coppenhall SEND Hub (appts only)

To book an appointment, call 01270 371 240 or email

startforlifesouth@cheshireeast.gov.uk