

Extended Schools Scrutiny Review

Parental Survey Results

Response rate by school - Table 3.1 shows the response rate by school:

| School | Total | School | Total | School | Total |
|--------------------------------|-------|---------------------------|-------|--------------------------------|-------|
| Scarcroft Primary | 18 | St Wilfrids RC School | 5 | Badger Hill Primary | 2 |
| Robert Wilkinson Primary | 16 | Wheldrake Primary | 5 | Lakeside Primary | 2 |
| None given | 15 | Wigginton Primary | 5 | Lord Deramores Primary | 2 |
| Poppleton Ousebank Primary | 15 | Acomb Primary | 4 | Osbalwick Primary | 2 |
| Huntington Primary | 13 | Carr Infant | 4 | Rufforth Primary | 2 |
| Hemplands Primary | 11 | Clifton Green Primary | 4 | St Marys Primary | 2 |
| Copmanthorpe Primary | 10 | Dunnington Primary | 4 | St Paul's Nursery School | 2 |
| Ralph Butterfield Primary | 10 | Headlands Primary | 4 | Yearsley Grove Primary | 2 |
| Bishopthorpe Infant | 7 | Knavesmire Primary School | 4 | Burton Green Primary | 1 |
| Clifton with Rawcliffe Infants | 7 | Park Grove Primary | 4 | Fulford Primary School | 1 |
| Dringhouses Primary | 7 | Westfield Primary | 4 | Haxby Road Primary School | 1 |
| English Martyrs Primary | 7 | Elvington Primary | 3 | New Earswick Primary | 1 |
| Naburn Primary | 7 | Our Ladys RC Primary | 3 | St Georges | 1 |
| St Oswalds Primary | 7 | Poppleton Road Primary | 3 | St Lawrences Primary | 1 |
| St Aelreds | 6 | Rawcliffe Infants | 3 | Stockton on the Forest Primary | 1 |
| Fishergate | 5 | Skelton Primary | 3 | | |
| Grand Total | | | | | 246 |
| Table 3.1 | | | | | |

Age profile of children and young people

The survey was sent to all parents of six year olds in York schools. Table 4.1 shows the profile of age ranges of parents that responded to the survey.

| Age | Total number | Age | Total number | Age | Total number | Age | Total number |
|-----------|--------------|-----|--------------|-----|--------------|-----|--------------|
| 0 | 6 | 4 | 15 | 8 | 10 | 12 | 3 |
| 1 | 12 | 5 | 85 | 9 | 12 | | |
| 2 | 24 | 6 | 61 | 10 | 8 | | |
| 3 | 42 | 7 | 15 | 11 | 2 | | |
| Table 4.1 | | | | | | | |

As would be expected, the majority of respondents had children aged around 5 or 6 years old. The number of responses for young people of 10 and over is significantly lower and as such results relating to this group should be viewed with more caution.

Household income

Table 5.1 shows how respondents answered question 12 relating to household income.

| Household income? | Total |
|-------------------|-------|
| £1300+ | 47 |
| £1000-£1300 | 25 |
| £501-£1000 | 97 |
| £301-500 | 32 |
| £100-300 | 20 |
| Less than £100 | 2 |
| (blank) | 23 |
| Grand Total | 223 |

Table 5.1

Chart 5.1 shows the profile of respondents weekly household income.

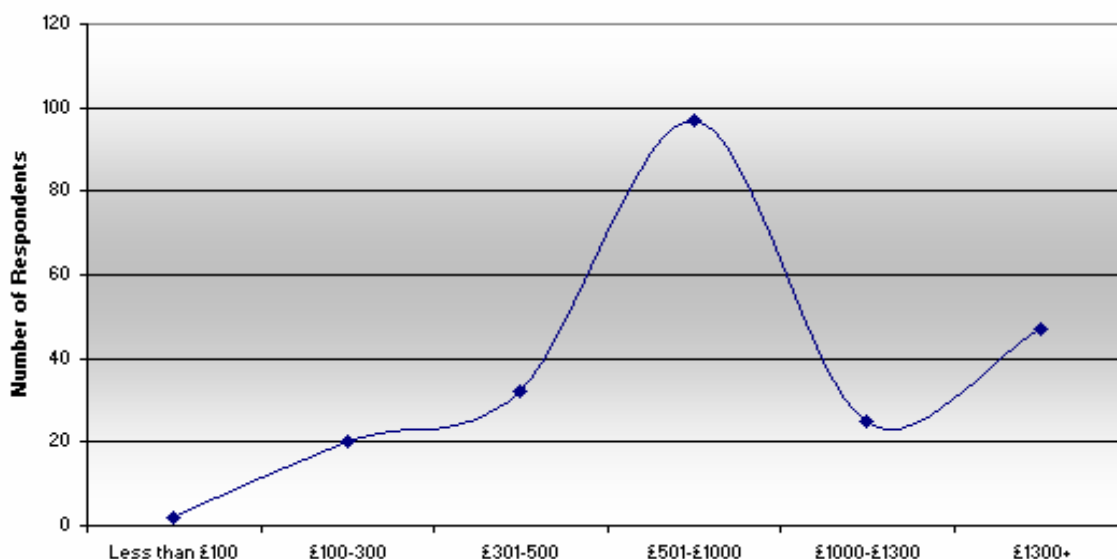


Chart 5.1

The profile shows that there has been a low response rate from those with an income of below £300. The majority of those responding have a household income of between £501-1000 per week.

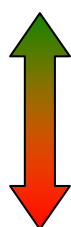
Three main reasons for using childcare

Table 6.1 shows how respondents ranked the main reasons they use childcare.

| Ranking | Work | Training / Study | Social Activities | Respite | Free 3/4 year old provision |
|------------------|------|------------------|-------------------|---------|-----------------------------|
| 1 | 163 | 11 | 15 | 9 | 38 |
| 2 | 8 | 20 | 17 | 12 | 23 |
| 3 | 7 | 10 | 14 | 10 | 3 |
| Grand Total | 178 | 41 | 46 | 31 | 64 |
| Weighted Average | 1.12 | 1.98 | 1.98 | 2.03 | 1.45 |

Table 6.1

Where table 6.1 talks about “weighted average” this shows the average ranking that was given to that reason. By looking at these weighted averages it is possible to put in order the main reasons parents gave for using childcare:



- Work
- Free 3 and 4 year old provision
- Training / study
- Social activities
- Respite

Table 6.2 shows the main reasons for using childcare broken by household income. Work remains a key feature as a main reason for using childcare across the income ranges. However the second and third reasons for accessing childcare do seem to vary more according to household income.

| Household income | Main reason | Second reason | Third Reason |
|------------------|--|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| £1300+ | Work | Respite | Free 3&4 year old funding |
| £1000-£1300 | Work | Respite | Free 3&4 year old funding |
| £501-£1000 | Work | Free 3&4 year old funding | Training / study |
| £301-500 | Free 3&4 year old funding | Work | Social Activities |
| £100-300 | Work | Free 3&4 year old funding | Training / study |
| Less than £100 | Work and Free 3&4 year old funding joint top | | No third main reasons given. |

Table 6.2

Types of childcare used in the last year and average cost

Table 7.1 shows what types of childcare have been used in the past year and how much parents feel on average this has cost them (per child per week).

| | Number used in last year | Average cost per child per week |
|----------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|
| None | 32 | £0.00 |
| Nanny | 6 | £140.80 |
| Childminder | 47 | £35.19 |
| Family/friend | 98 | £3.43 |
| Creche | 8 | £44.29 |
| Day Nursery | 61 | £79.77 |
| School Nursery | 12 | £25.00 |
| Pre-School Playgroup | 54 | £10.22 |
| Before School Club | 40 | £8.24 |
| Lunch Club | 9 | £3.81 |
| After School Club | 71 | £15.42 |
| Holiday Club | 55 | £51.65 |

Table 7.1

How childcare is taken does seem to show some variations according to household income.

- There seems to be a peak of those least likely to be using childcare in the £301-£500 range.
- The income range of £301-£500 is also least likely to be using a childminder.
- The use of families and friends is fairly steady across the income ranges although slightly lower for those in the £1,300+.
- Day nurseries seem to be less likely to be used by those in the £100-£300 and £501-£1000 range. However there is a spike of usage between these ranges for those with an income of £301-£500.
- Families with a weekly household income of £100 - £500 are less likely to use an after school club or a holiday club.

How many hours of childcare used per week by age of child

Table 8.1 shows the average number of hours of childcare that is being accessed broken by the age of the child.

| Age | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|-------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Hours | 21.0 | 15.6 | 17.5 | 21.2 | 15.6 | 7.2 | 7.3 | 9.3 | 6.4 |

| Age | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
|-------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|------|------|
| Hours | 6.6 | 4.6 | 6.0 | 4.0 | 22.0 | 0.0 | 22.0 | 21.0 |

Table 8.1

Chart 8.1 shows this average usage in a graph.

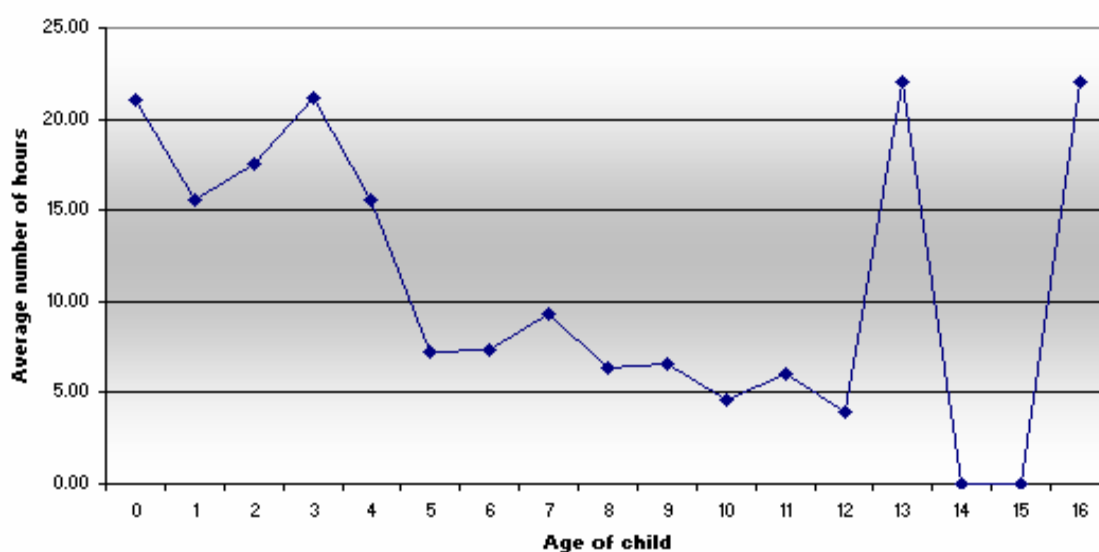


Chart 8.1

The profile of chart 8.1 suggests that the biggest users of childcare, in terms of hours, are pre-school children and those in secondary school. However as the survey was sent to parents of six year olds the number of returns for the older age groups means the data is less reliable.

When do people need to access childcare

Table 9.1 shows when parents needed access to childcare.

| | Total |
|-----------------|-------|
| Weekdays | 175 |
| Weekends | 15 |
| School Holidays | 123 |
| Table 9.1 | |

The vast majority of people have said they need childcare on weekdays, closely followed by school holidays and then by a much lesser extent weekends.

Table 9.2 shows the times of day that parents have said they need to have access to childcare.

| Data | Total |
|------------------|-------|
| All day | 88 |
| Up to 9am | 58 |
| School Morning | 35 |
| Over Lunchtime | 7 |
| School Afternoon | 19 |
| After School | 106 |
| Table 9.2 | |

The majority of parents want to access childcare after school, followed by all day and to a lesser extent before school.

Out of school activities

This section of questions focuses more on what different types of out of school activities families are accessing, how much they are paying and what activities they would like to access. Table 10.1 shows what types of activities families are currently using.

| Activity | Total | Activity | Total |
|--------------------------|-------|-------------------------|-------|
| Sports | 122 | Martial Arts | 20 |
| Dance | 73 | Faith Religious Groups | 12 |
| Uniform Groups | 64 | Cooking | 11 |
| Music | 42 | School Councils | 11 |
| Parent and Toddler Group | 33 | Youth Clubs | 10 |
| Arts and Crafts | 27 | Games Club | 7 |
| Other | 26 | Computer Clubs | 6 |
| Drama | 24 | Technology / Media Club | 3 |
| Languages | 21 | Homework Club | 2 |
| Grand Total = 514 | | | |
| Table 10.1 | | | |

Table 10.2 shows the number of activities being accessed broken down by household income. To account for the different numbers of families from each income range that have responded a column has been added for “number of activities per family”.

| Household income | Number of activities being accessed | Number of parents in this range | Number of activities per family |
|------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| £1300+ | 103 | 47 | 2.19 |
| £1000-£1300 | 52 | 25 | 2.08 |
| £501-£1000 | 206 | 97 | 2.12 |
| £301-500 | 70 | 32 | 2.19 |
| £100-300 | 43 | 20 | 2.15 |
| Less than £100 | 1 | 2 | 0.50 |
| (blank) | 39 | 23 | 1.70 |

Table 10.2

The profile of number of activities per family is shown in chart 10.1. This shows that generally there is a fairly even take up of activities across the income ranges. However with such a low return rate from those on the lowest incomes this data offers less reliability.

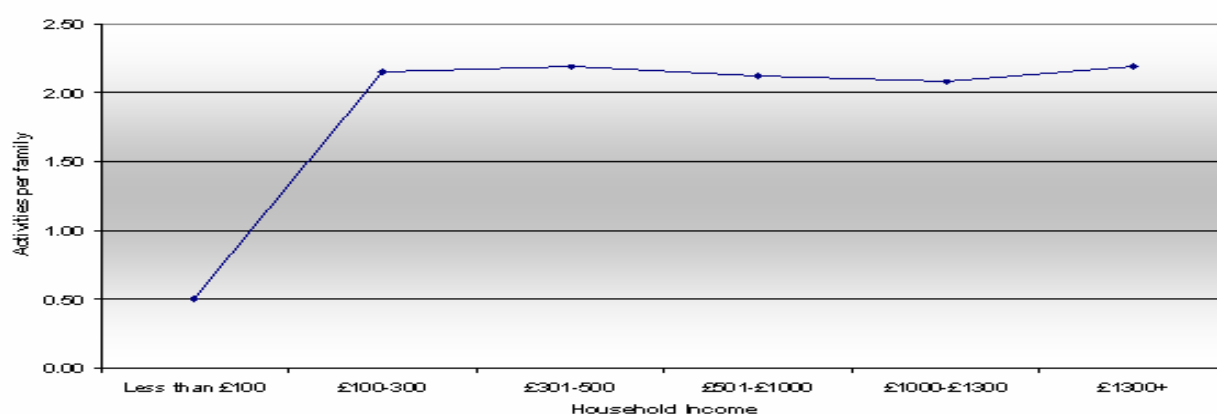


Chart 10.1

Table 10.3 shows the breakdown of the number of activities attended by school. As with table 10.2 an extra column has been added for number of activities per family.

| School | Total | Number of parents responding from this school | Activities per family |
|----------------------------|-------|---|-----------------------|
| Haxby Road Primary School | 8 | 1 | 8.00 |
| St Georges | 5 | 1 | 5.00 |
| Clifton Green Primary | 18 | 4 | 4.50 |
| Our Ladys RC Primary | 11 | 3 | 3.67 |
| Skelton Primary | 10 | 3 | 3.33 |
| Park Grove Primary | 13 | 4 | 3.25 |
| Naburn Primary | 22 | 7 | 3.14 |
| St Marys Primary | 6 | 2 | 3.00 |
| Ralph Butterfield Primary | 29 | 10 | 2.90 |
| Knavesmire Primary School | 11 | 4 | 2.75 |
| Dringhouses Primary | 19 | 7 | 2.71 |
| English Martyrs Primary | 19 | 7 | 2.71 |
| Huntington Primary | 34 | 13 | 2.62 |
| Poppleton Ousebank Primary | 39 | 15 | 2.60 |

| School | Total | Number of parents responding from this school | Activities per family |
|--------------------------------|-------|---|-----------------------|
| Wigginton Primary | 12 | 5 | 2.40 |
| Headlands Primary | 9 | 4 | 2.25 |
| Copmanthorpe Primary | 22 | 10 | 2.20 |
| St Oswalds Primary | 15 | 7 | 2.14 |
| Robert Wilkinson Primary | 34 | 16 | 2.13 |
| None given | 31 | 15 | 2.07 |
| Wheldrake Primary | 10 | 5 | 2.00 |
| Westfield Primary | 8 | 4 | 2.00 |
| St Laurences Primary | 2 | 1 | 2.00 |
| Hemplands Primary | 21 | 11 | 1.91 |
| Scarcroft Primary | 34 | 18 | 1.89 |
| Acomb Primary | 7 | 4 | 1.75 |
| Clifton with Rawcliffe Infants | 12 | 7 | 1.71 |
| Poppleton Road Primary | 5 | 3 | 1.67 |
| Badger Hill Primary | 3 | 2 | 1.50 |
| Lakeside Primary | 3 | 2 | 1.50 |
| Rufforth Primary | 3 | 2 | 1.50 |
| St Paul's Nursery School | 3 | 2 | 1.50 |
| St Aelreds | 8 | 6 | 1.33 |
| Carr Infant | 5 | 4 | 1.25 |
| Lord Deramores Primary | 2 | 2 | 1.00 |
| Yearsley Grove Primary | 2 | 2 | 1.00 |
| Fulford Primary School | 1 | 1 | 1.00 |
| Stockton on the Forest Primary | 1 | 1 | 1.00 |
| Bishopthorpe Infant | 6 | 7 | 0.86 |
| Dunnington Primary | 3 | 4 | 0.75 |
| Rawcliffe Infants | 2 | 3 | 0.67 |
| Fishergate | 3 | 5 | 0.60 |
| St Wilfrids RC School | 2 | 5 | 0.40 |
| Elvington Primary | 1 | 3 | 0.33 |
| Burton Green Primary | 0 | 1 | 0.00 |
| New Earswick Primary | 0 | 1 | 0.00 |
| Osbaldwick Primary | 0 | 2 | 0.00 |

Table 10.3

Average cost per child per week

Table 11.1 shows the average cost per child per week of attending different activities.

| Activity | Average | Activity | Average |
|-----------------|---------|--------------------------|---------|
| Dance | £3.80 | Languages | £4.73 |
| Drama | £5.00 | Martial Arts | £5.04 |
| Music | £5.00 | Faith Religious Groups | £2.33 |
| Cooking | £1.50 | Parent and Toddler Group | £2.48 |
| Arts and Crafts | £1.62 | Technology / Media Club | £0.00 |
| Youth Clubs | £1.72 | Games Club | £1.50 |
| Homework Club | £0.00 | Uniform Groups | £2.54 |
| School Councils | £0.00 | Sports | £5.55 |

| | | | |
|----------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Computer Clubs | £0.00 | Other | £5.71 |
| Table 11.1 | | | |

What activities families would use if offered

Table 12.1 shows the activities that families would use if these were offered. For information the figures for what activities are currently being taken up are also shown.

| Activity | Currently using | Would use | Difference |
|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------|------------|
| Music | 42 | 108 | 66 |
| Arts and Crafts | 27 | 104 | 77 |
| Drama | 24 | 91 | 67 |
| Cooking | 11 | 77 | 66 |
| Dance | 73 | 75 | 2 |
| Computer Clubs | 6 | 65 | 59 |
| Uniform Groups | 64 | 64 | 0 |
| Homework Club | 2 | 56 | 54 |
| Sports | 122 | 56 | -66 |
| Languages | 21 | 51 | 30 |
| Martial Arts | 20 | 50 | 30 |
| Youth Clubs | 10 | 43 | 33 |
| Games Club | 7 | 36 | 29 |
| Technology / Media Club | 3 | 23 | 20 |
| Parent and Toddler Group | 33 | 13 | -20 |
| Other | 26 | 13 | -13 |
| School Councils | 11 | 6 | -5 |
| Faith Religious Groups | 12 | 4 | -8 |
| Total | 514 | 935 | |
| Table 12.1 | | | |

For most types of activities there are more people saying they would use activities (if offered / made available) than are currently taking them up.

Table 12.2 shows a comparison for the number of activities taken up per family to the number of activities that would be taken up per family and broken by school. This should highlight any areas where demand is higher than supply. However there should be a health warning placed against reading to many conclusions from this data given that the number of responses from each individual school can be very low.

| School | Would use... | Number of responses | Would use per family | Activities per family | Difference |
|--------------------------|--------------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|------------|
| Fishergate | 37 | 5 | 7.40 | 0.60 | 6.80 |
| Burton Green Primary | 6 | 1 | 6.00 | 0.00 | 6.00 |
| Lord Deramores Primary | 13 | 2 | 6.50 | 1.00 | 5.50 |
| Dunnington Primary | 23 | 4 | 5.75 | 0.75 | 5.00 |
| St Oswalds Primary | 45 | 7 | 6.43 | 2.14 | 4.29 |
| Rawcliffe Infants | 13 | 3 | 4.33 | 0.67 | 3.66 |
| Carr Infant | 19 | 4 | 4.75 | 1.25 | 3.50 |
| St Paul's Nursery School | 10 | 2 | 5.00 | 1.50 | 3.50 |
| Wheldrake Primary | 26 | 5 | 5.20 | 2.00 | 3.20 |
| Badger Hill Primary | 9 | 2 | 4.50 | 1.50 | 3.00 |
| Osbalwick Primary | 6 | 2 | 3.00 | 0.00 | 3.00 |

| School | Would use... | Number of responses | Would use per family | Activities per family | Difference |
|--------------------------------|--------------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|------------|
| Rufforth Primary | 9 | 2 | 4.50 | 1.50 | 3.00 |
| Yearsley Grove Primary | 8 | 2 | 4.00 | 1.00 | 3.00 |
| Clifton with Rawcliffe Infants | 31 | 7 | 4.43 | 1.71 | 2.72 |
| Elvington Primary | 9 | 3 | 3.00 | 0.33 | 2.67 |
| Bishopthorpe Infant | 24 | 7 | 3.43 | 0.86 | 2.57 |
| St Wilfrids RC School | 14 | 5 | 2.80 | 0.40 | 2.40 |
| Poppleton Road Primary | 12 | 3 | 4.00 | 1.67 | 2.33 |
| Hemplands Primary | 46 | 11 | 4.18 | 1.91 | 2.27 |
| Acomb Primary | 16 | 4 | 4.00 | 1.75 | 2.25 |
| Robert Wilkinson Primary | 68 | 16 | 4.25 | 2.13 | 2.12 |
| Headlands Primary | 17 | 4 | 4.25 | 2.25 | 2.00 |
| Stockton on the Forest Primary | 3 | 1 | 3.00 | 1.00 | 2.00 |
| Naburn Primary | 33 | 7 | 4.71 | 3.14 | 1.57 |
| Huntington Primary | 54 | 13 | 4.15 | 2.62 | 1.53 |
| St Aelreds | 17 | 6 | 2.83 | 1.33 | 1.50 |
| Scarcroft Primary | 61 | 18 | 3.39 | 1.89 | 1.50 |
| None given | 53 | 15 | 3.53 | 2.07 | 1.46 |
| Dringhouses Primary | 29 | 7 | 4.14 | 2.71 | 1.43 |
| Copmanthorpe Primary | 36 | 10 | 3.60 | 2.20 | 1.40 |
| Westfield Primary | 13 | 4 | 3.25 | 2.00 | 1.25 |
| English Martyrs Primary | 26 | 7 | 3.71 | 2.71 | 1.00 |
| Poppleton Ousebank Primary | 48 | 15 | 3.20 | 2.60 | 0.60 |
| Lakeside Primary | 4 | 2 | 2.00 | 1.50 | 0.50 |
| Knavesmire Primary School | 12 | 4 | 3.00 | 2.75 | 0.25 |
| Skelton Primary | 10 | 3 | 3.33 | 3.33 | 0.00 |
| New Earswick Primary | 0 | 1 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| St Marys Primary | 6 | 2 | 3.00 | 3.00 | 0.00 |
| Wigginton Primary | 12 | 5 | 2.40 | 2.40 | 0.00 |
| Clifton Green Primary | 17 | 4 | 4.25 | 4.50 | -0.25 |
| Ralph Butterfield Primary | 26 | 10 | 2.60 | 2.90 | -0.30 |
| Fulford Primary School | 0 | 1 | 0.00 | 1.00 | -1.00 |
| Park Grove Primary | 7 | 4 | 1.75 | 3.25 | -1.50 |
| St Georges | 3 | 1 | 3.00 | 5.00 | -2.00 |
| St Lawrences Primary | 0 | 1 | 0.00 | 2.00 | -2.00 |
| Our Ladys RC Primary | 4 | 3 | 1.33 | 3.67 | -2.34 |
| Haxby Road Primary School | 0 | 1 | 0.00 | 8.00 | -8.00 |

Table 12.2

When would families want to access out of school activities

Table 13.1 shows when parents needed access to out of school activities.

| | Total |
|-----------------|-------|
| Weekdays | 193 |
| Weekends | 55 |
| School Holidays | 152 |
| Table 13.1 | |

As with childcare the vast majority of families want out of school activities on weekdays and in the school holidays. However there is a larger number of parents expressing a need for weekend out of school care than those needing it for childcare (see table 9.1).

Table 13.2 shows the times of day that parents have said they need to have access to out of school activities.

| Time of day | Total |
|----------------------------|-------|
| Before School Day | 17 |
| During the day | 26 |
| After school up to 6pm) | 200 |
| In the evening (after 6pm) | 33 |
| During the school holidays | 154 |
| Table 13.2 | |

A significant majority of parents have expressed the need to access out of school activities after school and in the school holidays.

Where families would like these activities to be held

Table 14.1 shows where parents have said they would like to access out of school clubs and activities:

| Location | Total |
|----------------------|-------|
| At school | 226 |
| Library | 59 |
| Local Community Hall | 114 |
| Table 14.1 | |

The majority of parents would like to access out of school activities on the school site, followed by in a local community hall and then in a library.

Are parents happy with the quality of the childcare or out of school activities they are currently using?

Table 15.1 shows if parents are happy with the quality of the childcare or out of school activities they are currently using.

| | Total |
|------------|-------|
| No | 34 |
| Yes | 177 |
| Total | 211 |
| Table 15.1 | |

Table 15.2 shows how the satisfaction with the quality of childcare and out of school activities varies according to household income. The final column on the right shows how these figures equate “per family” in this income range.

| Happy with quality? | Household income? | Total | Number of parents in this range | Number unhappy with quality per family |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------|---------------------------------|--|
| No | Less than £100 | 1 | 2 | 0.50 |
| | £100-300 | 1 | 20 | 0.05 |
| | £301-500 | 4 | 32 | 0.13 |
| | £501-£1000 | 15 | 97 | 0.15 |

| | | | | |
|------------------|-------------------|------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | £1000-£1300 | 3 | 25 | 0.12 |
| | £1300+ | 5 | 47 | 0.11 |
| | (blank) | 5 | 23 | 0.22 |
| No Total | | 34 | | |
| | Household income? | Total | Number of parents in this range | Number happy with quality per family |
| Yes | Less than £100 | 1 | 2 | 0.50 |
| | £100-300 | 14 | 20 | 0.70 |
| | £301-500 | 22 | 32 | 0.69 |
| | £501-£1000 | 67 | 97 | 0.69 |
| | £1000-£1300 | 19 | 25 | 0.76 |
| | £1300+ | 39 | 47 | 0.83 |
| | (blank) | 15 | 23 | 0.65 |
| Yes Total | | 177 | | |

Table 15.2

Chart 15.1 shows how the profiles of happiness with quality vary according to household income.

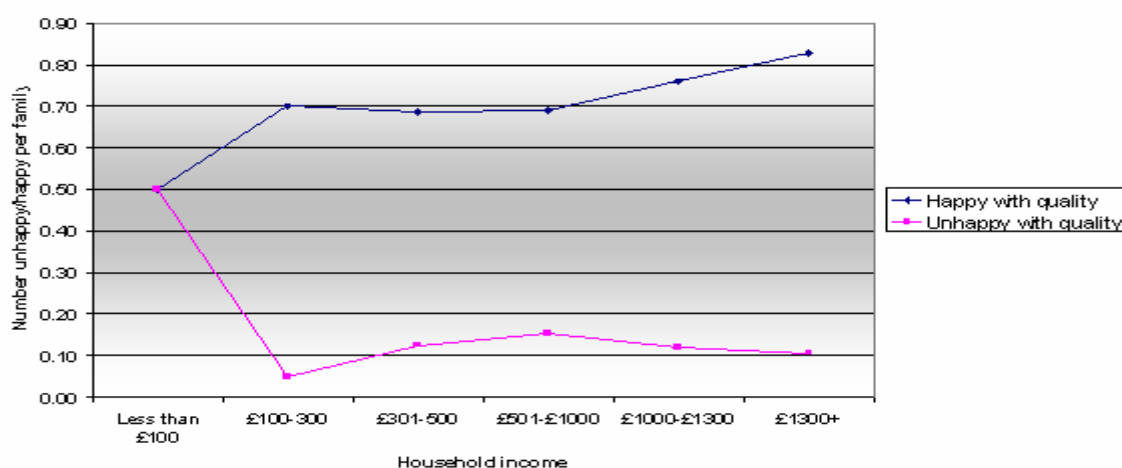


Chart 15.1

As before caution should be taken over looking at the lowest income ranges due to low response rates. However those in the household income range of £501-£1000 seem to be the most unhappy with quality of childcare or out of school activities. The happiest with quality are those in the £1000-£1300 and £1300+ ranges.

Does a lack of available childcare / out of school activities prevent parents from going to work?

Table 16.1 shows parents response to the question "Does a lack of available childcare / out of school activities prevent you going out to work?"

| | |
|-------|-------|
| | Total |
| No | 174 |
| Yes | 42 |
| Total | 216 |

Table 16.1

Table 16.2 shows the response to the same question but broken down by household income. The final column on the right shows how these figures equate “per family” in this income range.

| Does the lack of available childcare / out of school activities prevent you going out to work? | Household income? | Total | No. of parents in this range | Number per family |
|--|-------------------|------------|------------------------------|-------------------|
| No | Less than £100 | 0 | 2 | 0.00 |
| | £100-300 | 10 | 20 | 0.50 |
| | £301-500 | 19 | 32 | 0.59 |
| | £501-£1000 | 73 | 97 | 0.75 |
| | £1000-£1300 | 20 | 25 | 0.80 |
| | £1300+ | 37 | 47 | 0.79 |
| | (blank) | 15 | 23 | 0.65 |
| No Total | | 174 | | |
| Yes | Less than £100 | 2 | 2 | 1.00 |
| | £100-300 | 6 | 20 | 0.30 |
| | £301-500 | 7 | 32 | 0.22 |
| | £501-£1000 | 15 | 97 | 0.15 |
| | £1000-£1300 | 3 | 25 | 0.12 |
| | £1300+ | 7 | 47 | 0.15 |
| | (blank) | 2 | 23 | 0.09 |
| Yes Total | | 42 | | |

Table 17.2

Chart 16.1 shows the profile of parents response to the question about the availability of childcare by income range.

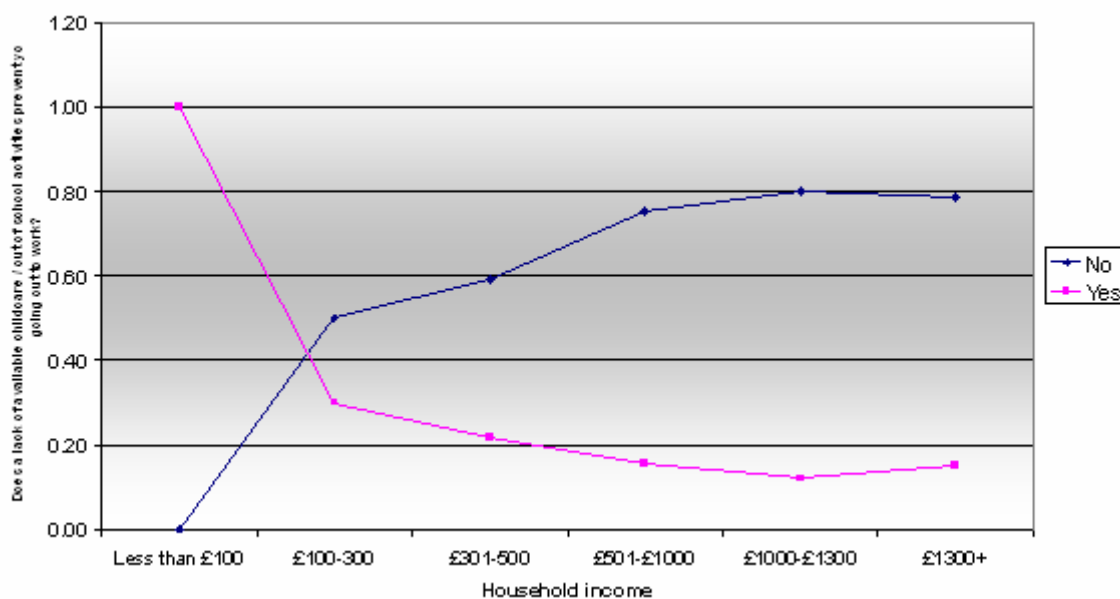


Chart 16.1

As before caution should be taken over looking at the lowest income ranges due to low response rates. However there does seem to be a clear correlation between household

income and parents saying that the available childcare prevents them from returning to work.

Main reasons for not using childcare / out of school activities

Table 17.1 shows the main reasons parents gave for not using childcare or out of school activities.

| Reason | Total |
|--|-------|
| Cost | 53 |
| At home / prefer to do it myself | 42 |
| Use friends / family support | 36 |
| Nothing available | 29 |
| Not appropriate times / does not fit around work | 27 |
| Not right quality | 19 |
| Difficult to get to / not convenient location | 18 |
| Don't trust anyone with child | 4 |
| Children old enough to look after themselves | 1 |
| Nothing suitable for disability/SEN/additional Needs | 1 |

Table 17.1

The main reason given for not accessing childcare or out of school activities is cost. This reflects the findings of the 2007 Childcare Sufficiency Assessment.

Table 17.2 shows the main reasons broken down by which school the respondent is using.

| School | Cost | Use friends / family support | Don't trust anyone with child | Children old enough to look after themselves | At home / prefer to do it myself | Difficult to get to / not convenient location | Nothing available | Not right quality | Nothing suitable for disability/SEN/additional Needs | Not appropriate times / does not fit around work |
|--------------------------------|------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|---|-------------------|-------------------|--|--|
| Acomb Primary | 1 | 1 | | | 2 | | | | | |
| Badger Hill Primary | | 1 | | | | 1 | | | | 1 |
| Bishopthorpe Infant | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | | | | |
| Burton Green Primary | | | | | | 1 | 1 | | | |
| Carr Infant | 1 | | | | 1 | | 1 | | | 3 |
| Clifton Green Primary | 2 | | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 |
| Clifton with Rawcliffe Infants | 2 | 1 | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 |
| Copmanthorpe Primary | 2 | 1 | | | 2 | | | 1 | | 1 |
| Dringhouses Primary | 1 | 4 | | | 3 | | | 1 | | 2 |

| School | Cost | Use friends / family support | Don't trust anyone with child | Children old enough to look after themselves | At home / prefer to do it myself | Difficult to get to / not convenient location | Nothing available | Not right quality | Nothing suitable for disability/SEN/additional Needs | Not appropriate times / does not fit around work |
|----------------------------|------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|---|-------------------|-------------------|--|--|
| Dunnington Primary | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| Elvington Primary | 1 | 1 | | | | | 1 | | | 1 |
| English Martyrs Primary | 1 | | | | 2 | 2 | | 1 | | |
| Fishergate | 1 | 1 | | | | 1 | 2 | 1 | | |
| Fulford Primary School | | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| Haxby Road Primary | | | | | | 1 | | | | |
| Headlands Primary | | | | | | | | | | |
| Hemplands Primary | 2 | 4 | | | 1 | | 2 | 1 | | 1 |
| Huntington Primary | 4 | 3 | 1 | | 3 | 2 | 5 | 3 | | |
| Knavesmire Primary | 2 | | | | | 1 | | 1 | | 1 |
| Lakeside Primary | | 1 | | | | | | | | |
| Lord Deramores Primary | | | | | | | | 1 | | |
| Naburn Primary | | | | | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | | 1 |
| New Earswick Primary | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| None given | 3 | 2 | | | 1 | 1 | 2 | | | |
| Osbaldwick Primary | | | | | | | | 1 | | |
| Our Ladys RC Primary | 3 | 1 | | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | | 1 |
| Park Grove Primary | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | | | | | 2 |
| Poppleton Ousebank Primary | 3 | | 1 | | 4 | | 1 | | | |
| Poppleton Road Primary | | 1 | | | 1 | | | | | |
| Ralph Butterfield Primary | 2 | 2 | | | 1 | | | 1 | | 4 |
| Rawcliffe Infants | | | | | | | | | | 1 |
| Robert Wilkinson Primary | 3 | 1 | | | 5 | 1 | | | | |
| Rufforth Primary | | | | | 1 | | | | | 1 |
| Scarcroft Primary | 5 | 3 | | | 7 | | 4 | | | 1 |
| Skelton Primary | 1 | | | | | | | | | |
| St Aelreds | 1 | 1 | | | 1 | | 1 | | | 1 |

| School | Cost | Use friends / family support | Don't trust anyone with child | Children old enough to look after themselves | At home / prefer to do it myself | Difficult to get to / not convenient location | Nothing available | Not right quality | Nothing suitable for disability/SEN/additional Needs | Not appropriate times / does not fit around work |
|--------------------------------|------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|---|-------------------|-------------------|--|--|
| St Georges | | | | | | | | | | |
| St Lawrences Primary | | | | | | | | | | |
| St Marys Primary | | | | | 1 | | | | | |
| St Oswalds Primary | 1 | 2 | | | | | 1 | 1 | | 2 |
| St Paul's Nursery | | | | | | | | 1 | | |
| St Wilfrids RC School | 2 | | | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | | |
| Stockton on the Forest Primary | | | | | | | 1 | | | |
| Westfield Primary | 1 | | | | | 1 | 1 | | | |
| Wheldrake Primary | 2 | 1 | | | | 1 | 1 | | 1 | 1 |
| Wigginton Primary | 1 | 1 | 1 | | 1 | | | 1 | | |
| Yearsley Grove Primary | 1 | | | | | 1 | | | | |

Table 17.2

Although table 17.2 is very number heavy there are some key messages which come out of it. It should be stressed though that this may relate not only to the extended services available but also the childcare in the surrounding area.

- Cost is given as a reason at a large number of schools but particularly at Scarcroft Primary, Huntington Primary, Our Lady's, Poppleton Ousebank, and Robert Wilkinson.
- There are a greater number of people giving "nothing available" as a reason for Scarcroft Primary and Huntington Primary. This is another barrier that is also reflected in the 2007 Childcare Sufficiency Assessment.
- Childcare or out of school activities not at the right times or fitting with work is given as a reason at a number of schools but more so for Carr Infants and Ralph Butterfield.

Comments from parents / carers

The survey gave parents the opportunity to add any other comments or thoughts that they felt they wanted to give. A summary of these comments is given below.

Table 18.1 shows the breakdown of these comments into several categories.

| Category | Total |
|--|-------|
| Lack of out of school facilities in area | 35 |
| Times wrong / unsuitable | 24 |
| Problems with affordability | 17 |
| Should hold activities at school | 15 |
| Suggestion of new activity / improvement | 15 |
| Lack of childcare facilities in area | 10 |
| Happy with childcare | 10 |
| Happy with out of school activities | 8 |
| Lack of information about activities | 7 |
| Complaint about setting, staff or activity | 7 |
| Total | 148 |

Table 18.1

Lack of out of school facilities in the area

Table 18.2 shows the breakdown of parents who gave comments falling into the category of there being a lack of out of school activities in their area.

| School | Total | School | Total |
|--------------------------------|-------|--------------------------------|-------|
| Huntington Primary | 6 | Dunnington Primary | 1 |
| None given | 3 | Elvington Primary | 1 |
| Scarcroft Primary | 3 | English Martyrs Primary | 1 |
| Fishergate | 2 | Hemplands Primary | 1 |
| Naburn Primary | 2 | Lord Deramores Primary | 1 |
| Poppleton Ousebank Primary | 2 | Our Ladys RC Primary | 1 |
| Skelton Primary | 2 | Ralph Butterfield Primary | 1 |
| Burton Green Primary | 1 | Robert Wilkinson Primary | 1 |
| Carr Infant | 1 | St Oswalds Primary | 1 |
| Clifton Green Primary | 1 | Stockton on the Forest Primary | 1 |
| Clifton with Rawcliffe Infants | 1 | Wheldrake Primary | 1 |

Table 18.2

The general theme of comments by school were:

- Huntington Primary – A need for an onsite after school club that runs on a regular basis. This mirrors the findings of the Childcare Sufficiency Assessment.
- Scarcroft Primary – A need for increased capacity of the existing out of school club and more, regular holiday provision.
- Fishergate Primary – A need for flexible after school provision for ad hoc care and also a greater diversity of activities needing to be offered.
- Naburn Primary – A need for before and after school care. There is a recognition that any provision would need support to ensure it is sustainable and also challenges faced in terms of space for the club to run.
- Poppleton Ousebank – One of the parents expressed concern about out of school activities for 11-16 year olds in the area.
- Skelton Primary – Some general comments around the need for a greater range of activities and more of these to be available to those in year 1.

Table 18.3 shows the breakdown of parents who gave comments falling into the category of activities being at the wrong times or unsuitable.

| School | Total | School | Total |
|----------------------------|-------|---------------------------|-------|
| None given | 2 | Lord Deramores Primary | 1 |
| Scarcroft Primary | 2 | Ralph Butterfield Primary | 1 |
| Carr Infant | 2 | St Oswalds Primary | 1 |
| Park Grove Primary | 2 | Wheldrake Primary | 1 |
| Naburn Primary | 1 | Acomb Primary | 1 |
| Poppleton Ousebank Primary | 1 | Badger Hill Primary | 1 |
| Clifton Green Primary | 1 | Copmanthorpe Primary | 1 |
| Elvington Primary | 1 | Dringhouses Primary | 1 |
| English Martyrs Primary | 1 | Headlands Primary | 1 |
| Hemplands Primary | 1 | St Paul's Nursery School | 1 |
| Table 18.3 | | | |

The comments given in this area do not relate to any specific school and are summarised below.

- Some parents said they viewed childcare as allowing them to work but activities being for the child or young person. However this view was in the minority.
- Parents who are working shifts or atypical hours said they found it difficult to access childcare or activities.
- A number of parents said that it would be useful if extended school activity ending times could be coordinated to allow it to link with other forms of childcare. Another reason given for this is not having to make repeated trips if there is more than one child and they are doing different activities.
- A significant number of parents expressed a need for extended hours provision in particular beyond 6pm and, to a lesser extent, before school.
- Some parents said they would like to see better quality activities offered in after school activities.
- Where families have children in different year groups they tend to find it difficult to plan and access activities for all of their children.
- One parent said it can be challenging finding wrap-around care when a child is starting part time at school.

Table 18.3 shows the breakdown of parents who gave comments falling into the category of activities being at the wrong times or unsuitable.

| School | Total | School | Total |
|----------------------------|-------|--------------------------|-------|
| None given | 2 | Naburn Primary | 1 |
| Poppleton Ousebank Primary | 2 | Clifton Green Primary | 1 |
| Ralph Butterfield Primary | 2 | Hemplands Primary | 1 |
| St Oswalds Primary | 2 | Dringhouses Primary | 1 |
| Copmanthorpe Primary | 2 | Robert Wilkinson Primary | 1 |
| Scarcroft Primary | 1 | Yearsley Grove Primary | 1 |
| Table 18.3 | | | |

As with the previous category these comments are not specific to any one school and can be looked at as general thoughts and issues.

- Some families gave the view that the tax credit system is too complicated and the cut off point for what families are supported is too low.
- Some parents with 3 or more children said they need additional support to allow their children to access activities.
- A number of parents expressed a difficulty with the affordability of holiday activities.
- Where parents are shift or atypical workers they face additional affordability issues by having to reserve and pay for places that may not actually be used.
- Some parents questioned the value for money offered by breakfast clubs and said it was unfair some breakfast clubs are free while others charge.

Table 18.4 shows the breakdown of parents where they gave comments falling into the category of activities being held on the school site.

| School | Total | School | Total |
|---------------------------|-------|---------------------------|-------|
| Copmanthorpe Primary | 2 | English Martyrs Primary | 1 |
| Scarcroft Primary | 2 | Wheldrake Primary | 1 |
| Huntington Primary | 2 | Fishergate | 1 |
| Ralph Butterfield Primary | 1 | Bishopthorpe Infant | 1 |
| Robert Wilkinson Primary | 1 | Haxby Road Primary School | 1 |
| Yearsley Grove Primary | 1 | Rufforth Primary | 1 |
| Table 18.4 | | | |

A summary of the main comments given in relation to the category of having activities on school sites are below.

- As picked up on earlier, some parents expressed a need for an after school club on site at Huntington Primary school.
- Some people said they would like to see activities run on the school site that are currently run in off site buildings. The comments relate to the quality of the buildings and facilities.
- Some parents said for after school activities off site they can find it difficult to collect the child from school and drop them off at the activity. One parent suggested there should be an increased use of walking buses to activities.

Table 18.5 shows the breakdown of parents who gave comments falling into the category of suggesting new activities or improvements.

| School | Total | School | Total |
|--------------------------|-------|---------------------------|-------|
| Robert Wilkinson Primary | 3 | Lord Deramores Primary | 1 |
| None given | 2 | Skelton Primary | 1 |
| Huntington Primary | 1 | Our Ladys RC Primary | 1 |
| Fishergate | 1 | Knavesmire Primary School | 1 |
| St Oswalds Primary | 1 | Rawcliffe Infants | 1 |
| Dringhouses Primary | 1 | St Marys Primary | 1 |
| Table 18.5 | | | |

Suggestions for new activities or improvements included:

- Trampolining (Dringhouses Primary)
- Beavers, cubs, brownies (Fishergate, Rawcliffe Infants, Skelton Primary)

- More sports and multi-skills, tennis golf etc available across all ranges (Huntington, Our Lady's, Rawcliffe Infants)
- Voluntary clubs should get extra support or be run by the school (Knavesmire)
- Opportunity for child to learn second language (Lord Deramores)
- Swimming lessons (no school given)
- More opportunities for children and parents to do activities or learning together (Rawcliffe Infants)
- Homework Club (Rawcliffe Infants)
- General comment about wider use of school facilities (St Oswald's)

Table 18.6 shows the breakdown of parents who gave comments falling into the category of a lack of childcare facilities.

| School | Total |
|----------------------------|-------|
| None given | 2 |
| Copmanthorpe Primary | 2 |
| St Oswalds Primary | 1 |
| Skelton Primary | 1 |
| Scarcroft Primary | 1 |
| Wheldrake Primary | 1 |
| Poppleton Ousebank Primary | 1 |
| St Aelreds | 1 |
| Table 18.6 | |

The childcare facilities that parents say are lacking are:

- Copmanthorpe – One parent stated they were unsure of the quality of the local playgroup but said there was no alternative. One parent also said there was a need for more holiday provision.
- None given – One parent said that existing before and after school club was full. Another parent said that there was a need for childcare that could flexibly meet the needs of parents working changing shifts.
- Poppleton Ousebank – One parent concern over a lack of childcare for 11-16 year olds.
- Scarcroft Primary – One parent said they would like to be able to use free early education places with their existing childminder.
- Skelton Primary – One parent said there was a lack of under five care and activity provision for those in year one.
- St Aelred's – One parent gave concern about childminders being forced out of the role by excessive paperwork from government.
- St Oswald's – One parent said they could not access the existing after school club as it is full.
- Wheldrake Primary – One parent wanted support where children have started on a part time basis at school.

Table 18.7 shows the breakdown of parents who gave comments falling into the category of activities being happy with childcare.

| School | Total |
|--------------------------|-------|
| Scarcroft Primary | 3 |
| Wheldrake Primary | 1 |
| Robert Wilkinson Primary | 1 |
| Huntington Primary | 1 |
| Dringhouses Primary | 1 |
| Hemplands Primary | 1 |
| Elvington Primary | 1 |
| Acomb Primary | 1 |
| Table 18.7 | |

General comments around being happy with the quality of childcare are summarised below:

- Good quality staff at nursery (Askham Bar Day Nursery, St Paul's)
- Happy with quality of local childminders (Elvington, Huntington, Scarcroft)
- Good quality after school club (Hemplands, Robert Wilkinson)
- Good quality holiday club (Bish Street Kids)
- Happy with quality of playgroup (Wheldrake)

Table 18.8 shows the breakdown of parents who gave comments falling into the category of activities being happy with out of school activities.

| School | Total |
|--------------------------|-------|
| Robert Wilkinson Primary | 1 |
| None given | 1 |
| Copmanthorpe Primary | 1 |
| St Aelreds | 1 |
| Park Grove Primary | 1 |
| Badger Hill Primary | 1 |
| Poppleton Road Primary | 1 |
| Westfield Primary | 1 |
| Table 18.8 | |

A summary of the comments where parents are happy with out of school activities is given below.

- Good after school clubs and holiday clubs (Badger Hill, Hemplands, Westfield Primary)
- Good term time activities (Copmanthorpe, Park Grove Primary, Poppleton Road Primary, Robert Wilkinson Primary, St Aelred's)

Table 18.9 shows the breakdown of parents who gave comments falling into the category of there being a lack of information about activities.

| School | Total |
|----------------------------|-------|
| Copmanthorpe Primary | 2 |
| Westfield Primary | 1 |
| Poppleton Ousebank Primary | 1 |
| St Marys Primary | 1 |
| Burton Green Primary | 1 |
| St Wilfrids RC School | 1 |
| Table 18.9 | |

A summary of comments from parents around this is given below.

- There is a need for better information about what extended schools activities are available.
- Better publicity of employer support with childcare costs (childcare vouchers).

Table 18.10 shows the breakdown of parents who gave comments falling into the category of there being a lack of information about activities.

| School | Total |
|--------------------------|-------|
| St Aelreds | 1 |
| Park Grove Primary | 1 |
| Scarcroft Primary | 1 |
| Dringhouses Primary | 1 |
| St Oswalds Primary | 1 |
| Rufforth Primary | 1 |
| St Paul's Nursery School | 1 |
| Table 18.10 | |

A summary of comments from parents around this is given below.

- One parent said there was a need for a nursery to have a deep clean.
- Holiday club needs to give more notice of what days they are operating so parents can make arrangements with work.
- Two parents gave concern over the quality of the buildings groups were run in. Both of them off school sites, one a playgroup and the other an out of school club.
- One parent gave concern about childminders being forced out of the role by excessive paperwork from government.
- One parent said the cost of their breakfast club was too high.
- One parent expressed concern over staff retention rates at an out of school club.