

**St Peter the Apostle Parish
PLENARY COUNCIL COMMITTEE**

ST PETER'S PRIMARY SCHOOL COMMUNITY SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRE 2019

Instructions

1. The purpose of this survey is to obtain views and suggestions from parents of St Peter's Primary School on
 - changes to current Church rules, culture and structures that could shape the submission that the Parish Plenary Council Committee will make to the Plenary Council prior to Ash Wednesday (6 March) this year;
 - the reasons parents chose St Peter's Primary School to educate their children; and
 - what changes would they would like to see made at St Peter's to better suit their children's educational needs
2. The survey questionnaire will be anonymous.
3. Please add more sheets, if needed, for questions requiring written responses.
4. We ask that both parents complete the questionnaire to increase the validity of the results.
5. Survey Timeline

Friday, 8 February	Distribution of the questionnaire
Monday, 18 February	Return date for the questionnaire

Part A St Peter's Primary School

1. Rank the following reasons that most closely describe why you chose to send your child/children to St Peter's Primary School (rank 1 being the highest, 5 being the lowest).

- a) High reputation of St Peter's Primary School for its teaching of the 3 R's
- b) Recommendation of other parents who have/had children at St Peter's Primary School
- c) The inclusion of the teaching of Catholic beliefs, values and traditions in the curriculum
- d) Close proximity to home
- e) Other _____

2. Do you discuss religion with your **family** at home? **YES** **NO**

3. Do you attend mass regularly? **YES** **NO**

4. If **YES**, how frequently would this happen per month? 1 2 3 4 more than 4

5. If **YES**, are you accompanied with one or more members of the family? **YES** **NO**

6. If **YES**, is your mass attendance at St Peter the Apostle, Bedford or another Parish?

St Peter the Apostle another Parish

7. How would you assess your knowledge and understanding of Catholic teachings, values and traditions?

- a) Very Good b) Good c) Fair d) Poor

8. Which of the following is your concern about sending your child/children to St Peter's?

- a) Time and resources spent on religious instruction Too much Too little No concern
- b) Time and resources spent on secular instruction Too much Too little No concern
- c) Time and resources spent on sports instruction Too much Too little No concern
- d) Having your child's unique needs catered for.
- e) The caring and inclusive culture of the school.
- f) Other _____

Part B Plenary Council

1. What Church changes would you like to see regarding each of the following? If you do not wish to see any change, please write NIL.

a) Role and participation of the ordinary people (as distinct from the clergy).

b) Role and participation of women

c) Ordination of women

d) The Church's attitude towards those who have/are deemed "in error" with aspects of Church teaching e.g. divorcées, cohabitation outside of marriage etc.

e) Church's current level of interaction with people of other beliefs.

f) Church's engagement with youth

g) Compulsory celibacy for the clergy

h) Greater transparency of Church administration and decision making

i) Other

Thank you for your cooperation – please return this completed form to the drop box in the School's Front Office by Monday, 18 February