

## **Parent forum- School Dinners**

**20.10.21**

*Views were gathered from a sample of parents regarding school dinners.*

### **1. What do you want from school dinners as parents?**

*Views included: a range of **healthy meals** and **good portion sizes** . Parents stated that they did not mind the occasional 'unhealthy' meal, provided there were healthy options on the other days. Parents were happy our school dinners were meeting these requirements. One parent commented that, although her son was not always keen on the dinners, she was glad that they opened him up to new experiences as a fussy eater.*

### **2. What do your children like about the school dinners?**

*Parents stated that their children were all happy with the meals and the portion sizes.*

*The favourite meals were **roast dinners, pizza and fish fingers**.*

### **3. Are there any meals your children dislike?**

*Parents said that their children were happy with all of the options.*

### **4. Do you have any further suggestions?**

*One parent enquired about sandwiches as an option. We explained that we want to guarantee all of our children have access to one hot meal a day.*

*One parent suggested we sample all the children's views in the form of a questionnaire. Although we currently sample views from the school council, we will consider building a broader measure in future.*

## **Summary:**

- Parents and pupils were happy with meals
- Priorities for parents are having a range of healthy meals, and good portion sizes