



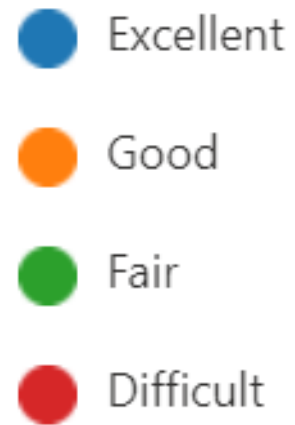
- + • **FIRST YEAR STUDENTS AND**
- **PARENTS/GUARDIANS**

2020

How was his/her first day at school?



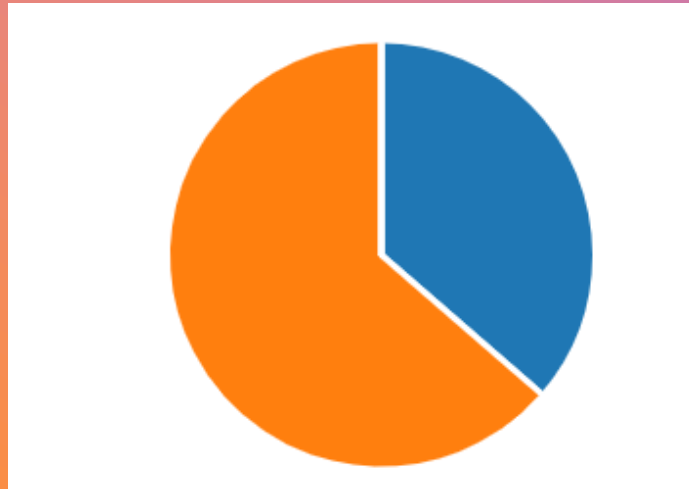
Parents



Students

HOW ARE THEY MANAGING THE TIMETABLE AND FINDING THEIR WAY AROUND?

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Difficult



Parents

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Students

Students appear to be very confident.



Did meeting with your Cáirde on day 1 help you to settle in?

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● Yes	70
● No	16



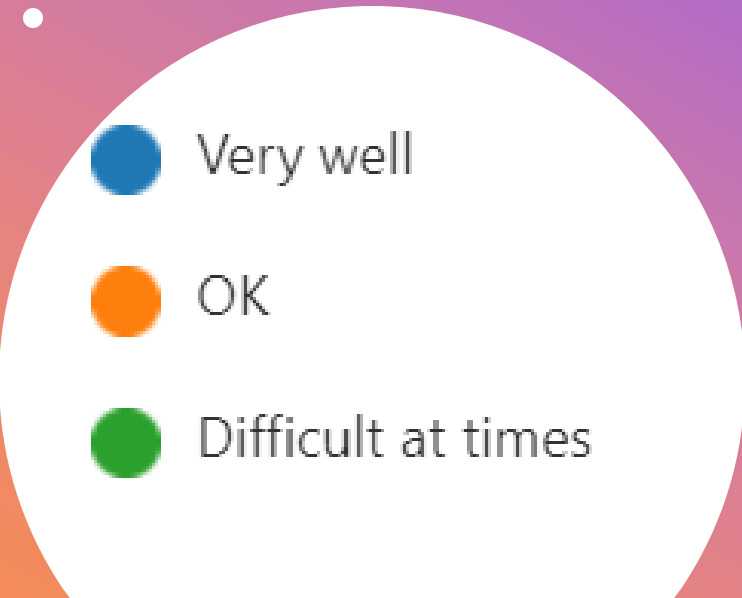
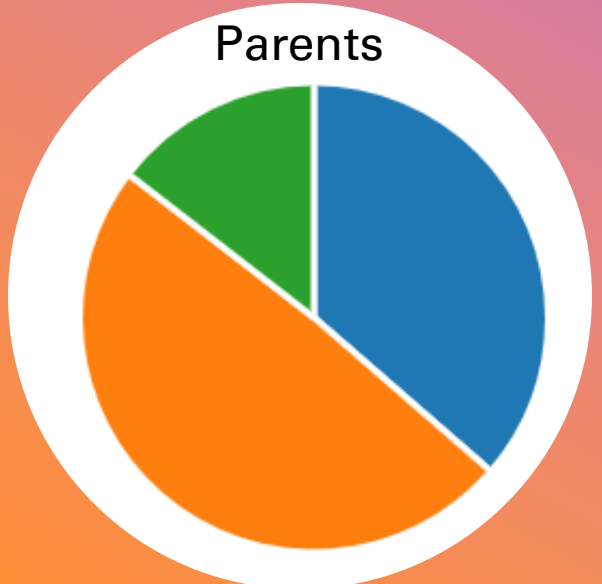
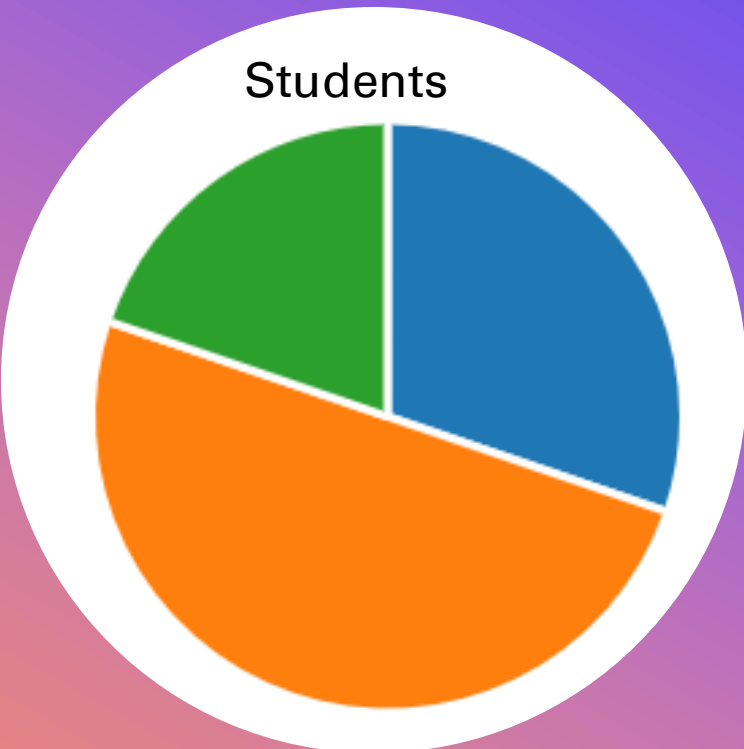
Did meeting with your Cáirde on day 1 help you to settle in?

- Students appear to generally appreciate the help of an older student.
- Parents/Guardians replies are very similar.



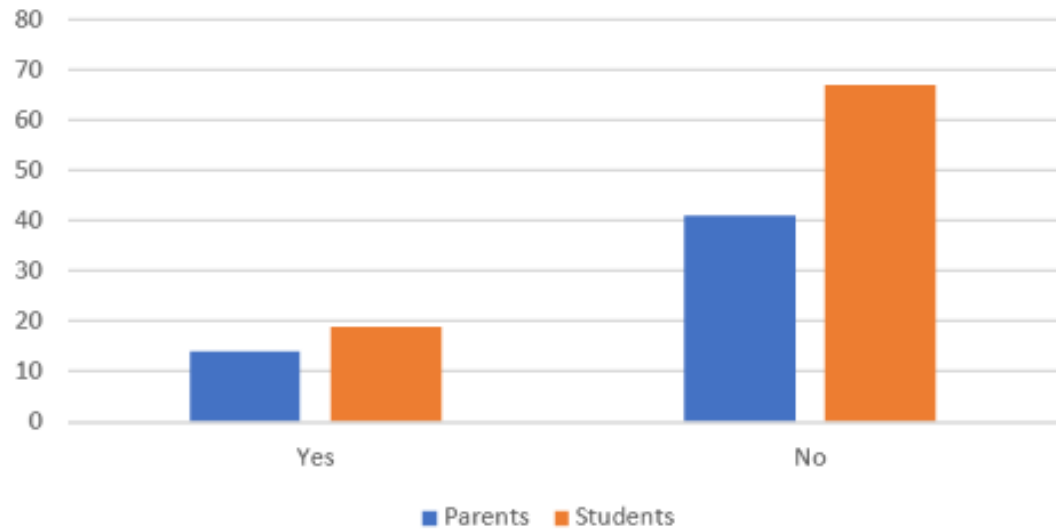
HOW IS THE HOMEWORK GOING?

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Under 20% are finding homework difficult at times. This is usual for a group of students getting used to secondary school. Teachers are working to assist students with these issues.

Have there been any problems since the start?

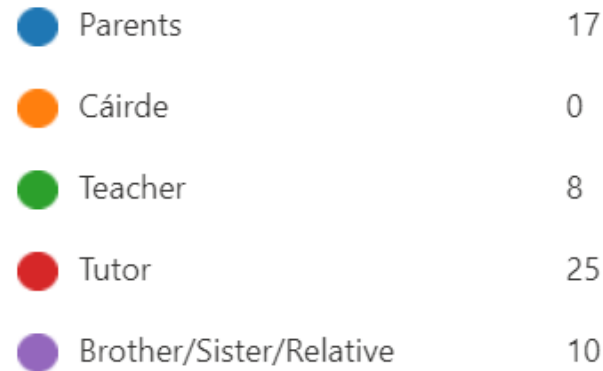


- There are often minor issues at the start of a new experience.
- We at BCCNS are working with students and Parents/Guardians on an ongoing basis to resolve issues and create positive learning experiences.

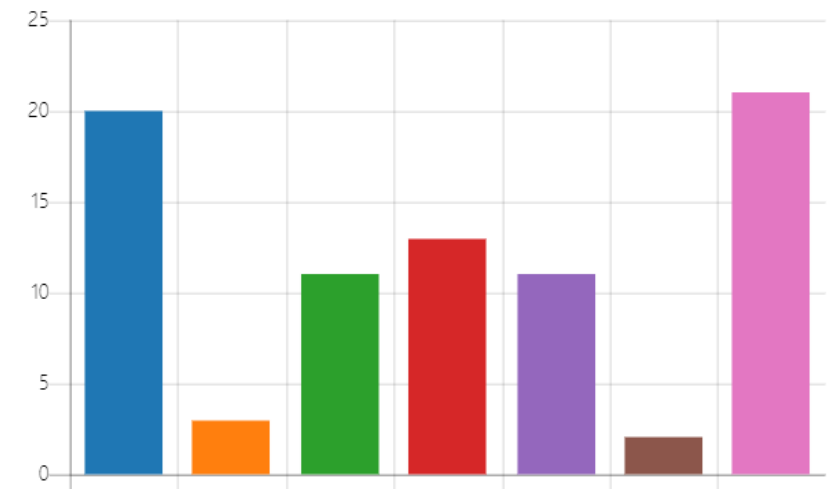
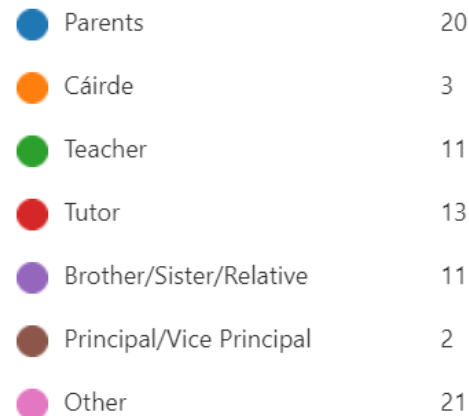


Who helped to resolve the issues encountered?

Students are collaborating with Tutors to a large extent as per school pastoral system.




Parents/Guardians are very involved in students' school experience.





Recommendations for future first year induction

- Over 61% of Parents/Guardians and 59% of students are satisfied with current arrangements.
 - Regarding lockers, it is common for new students to struggle with lockers and new subjects.
 - Please be assured that we are working with students continuously on this issue.
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Positive experiences of change



New subjects, new and many teachers, new friends were common answers by both Parents/Guardians and students.

Some positive feedback for us was the satisfaction from first years having 2 days in the building before other students returned. This appears to have been appreciated.

Challenges

- Increased amounts of homework compared to Primary school, this is a common finding. The transition can be daunting but our research appears to indicate that students are adapting well. (See slide 5)
- Masks are a unique challenge for us all this year, students are very compliant, though we acknowledge that it is difficult.

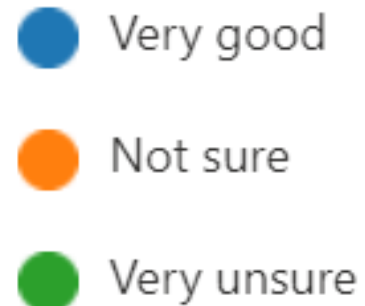


Online Learning- a new challenge

- How does your first year student find using teams?



Parents/Guardians



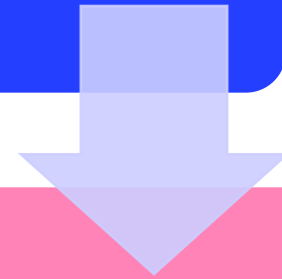
Students

Please be assured that our IT teachers are constantly assisting and upskilling students in the use of Teams.

Help videos for using Teams



58% of Parents/Guardians were not aware of existing help videos in students' Teams account.



We hope that you can work with students to find and use these help videos together.

A taste of what students think....



"The best thing about our school is that it's so clean and a very friendly and kind place"

" The teachers are helpful and the people are nice too"

"Extra subjects and the food in the canteen"

"The size of the building and all the new subjects. And all the space we have to roam around the school grounds and be safe".

**WE WILL CONTINUE
TO WORK TO
IMPROVE THE
SCHOOL
EXPERIENCE AT
BCCNS.**

Thank you for your input and
continued support.

