

Headteacher Coffee Morning

22nd April 2026

Today's Agenda

- Top tips supporting your child at home
- School Updates
- Curriculum Update
- Lunch Review
- Pupil Survey
- Parent Survey
- Recruitment update
- Dates for your diary
- Questions

Support at Home

‘Effective parental engagement can lead to learning gains of +3 months over the course of a year.’ – Education Endowment Foundation (EEF)



Why it’s so important:

- Families who enjoy reading together have more opportunities for **discussion, developing empathy and attachment** (Literacy Trust).
- There is an established link between the **home learning environment** at all ages and children’s **performance at school**
- Schools and parents have **a shared priority to deliver the best outcomes** for their children.

School Updates

- **£9000/£11000 raised for replenishment of RWI books** – thank you to the PTFA, individual parent donations, Miss Lopes and Mrs Wall for fundraising initiatives
- **Grounds work almost complete in the EYFS and Kaleidoscope.** Gardening work to be completed during the summer break. Further development of outdoor learning environment next academic year.
- A parent volunteer has offered to **repair damage to shelter roof** – A governor has volunteered to **paint the shelters with children** later in the summer term.







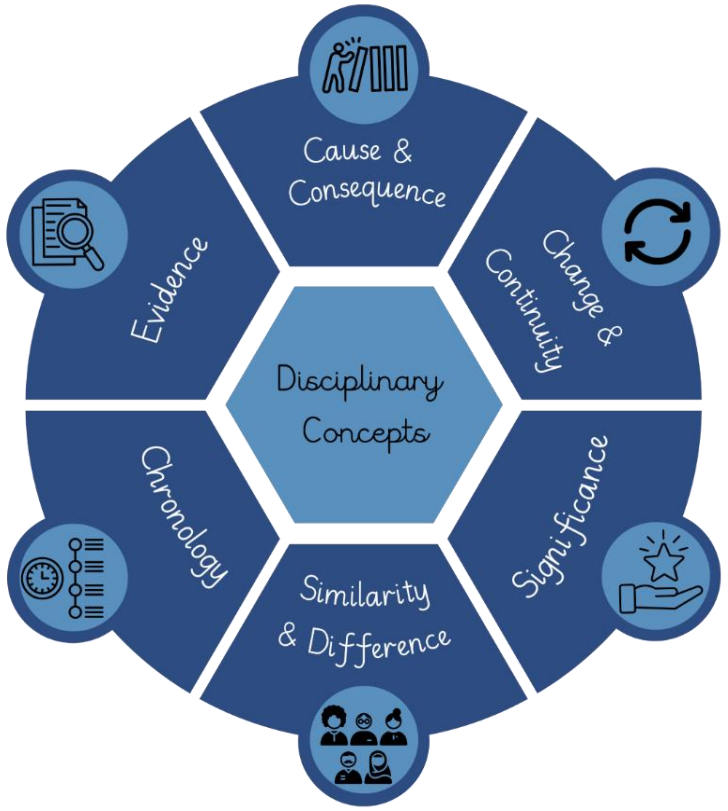
Curriculum Update

- Parents' Evening Meetings (Spring).
- School website - new website to launch in summer 2
- RHE curriculum remaining the same this year – awaiting updated content on Jigsaw scheme (statutory from September 2026)
- Computing curriculum – updated Online Safety units will be introduced in September 2026, to ensure coverage of 8 strands of e-safety.
- History – enquiry skills wheel has been introduced to further develop pupils' disciplinary understanding.



Online Safety Strands

- Self-image and identity
- Online relationships
- Online reputation
- Online bullying
- Managing online information
- Health, well-being and lifestyle
- Privacy and security
- Copyright and ownership





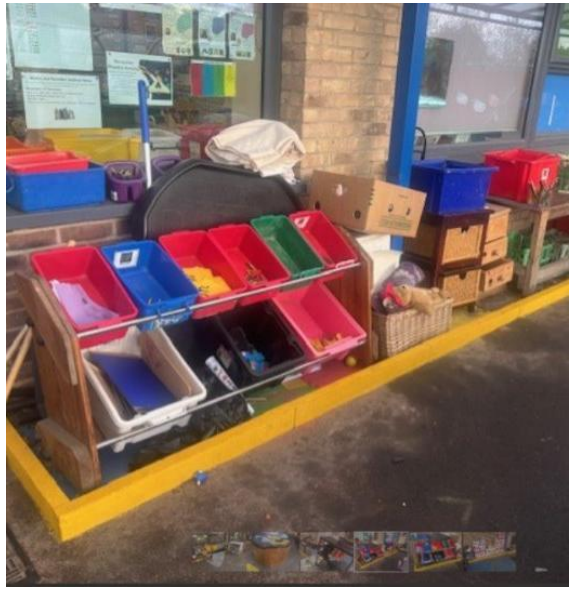




Sunshine











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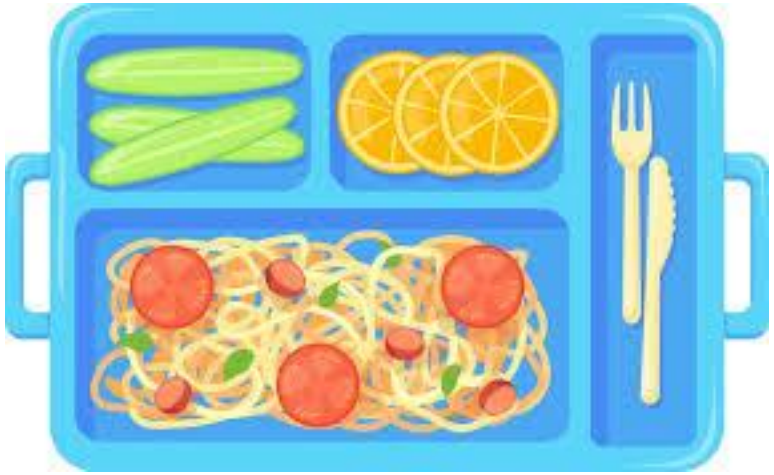
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Lunch Review

- Few concerns raised
- School Review taken place:
- Catering company updated and made aware
- Individual meetings to address concerns
- Order system going live on 4th May



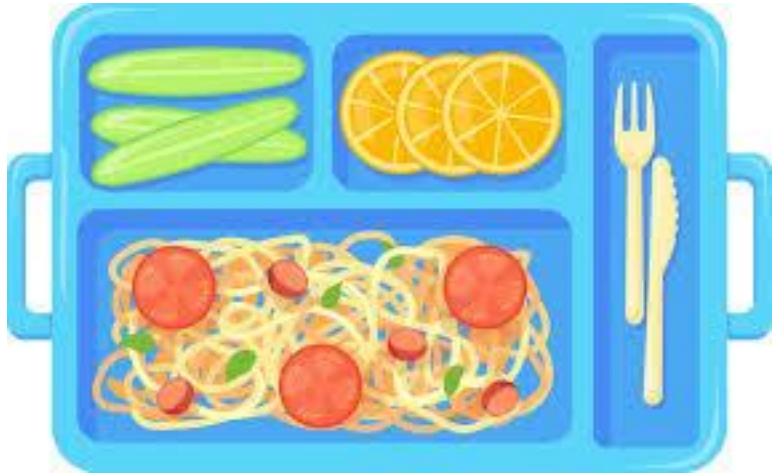
- Offer to parents to try lunch
- Governors invited in for spot checks
- Pupil survey (random 5 children per class) – no common themes other than chunky chips – changed to thin fries style the following week
- Parent survey not organised by school

Lunch Review – Governor feedback

…the variety on offer was more than adequate

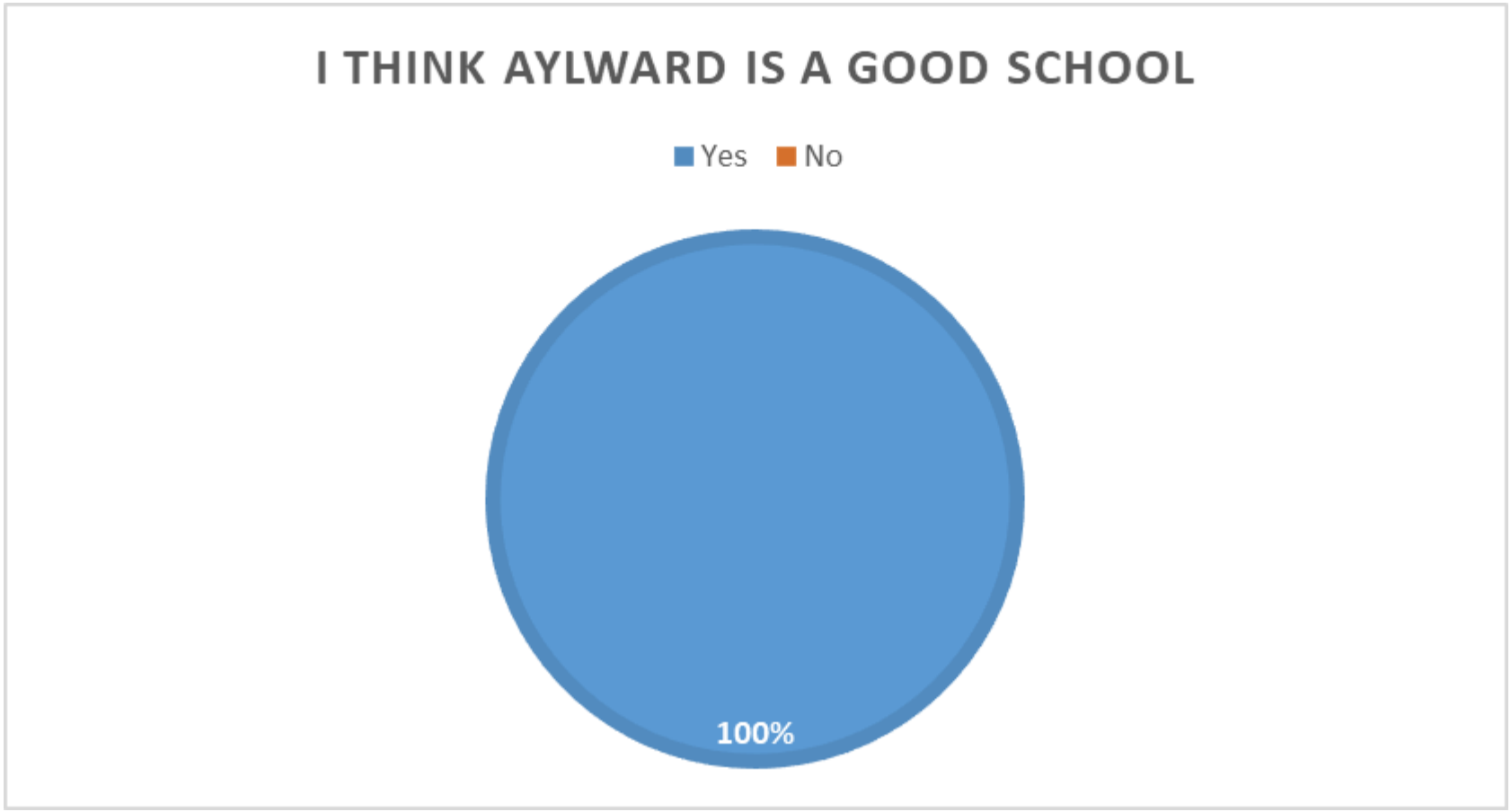
Everything was well-cooked and genuinely tasty.

I can say without hesitation that nothing was undercooked or overcooked, and the portions were plentiful.



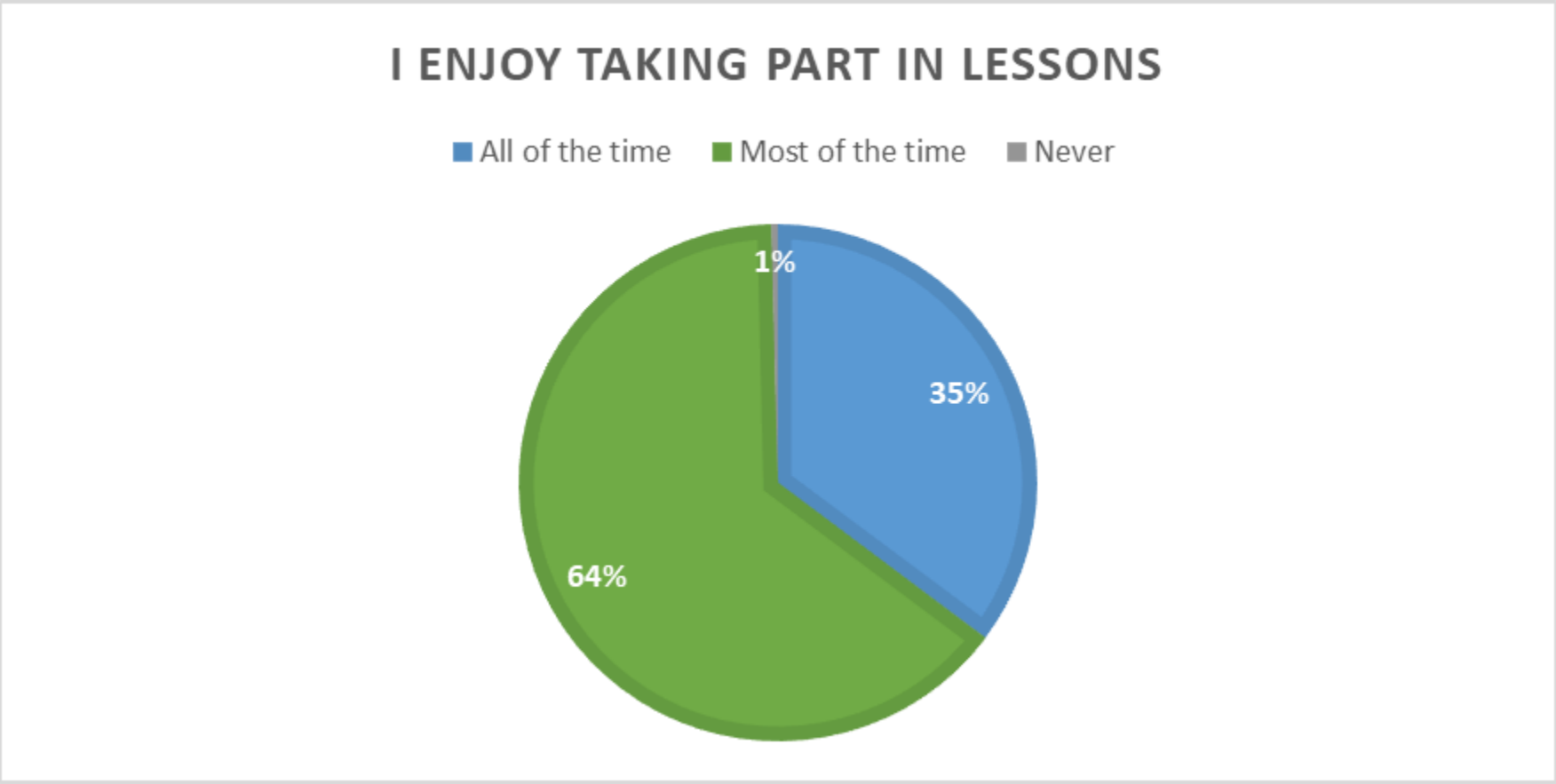
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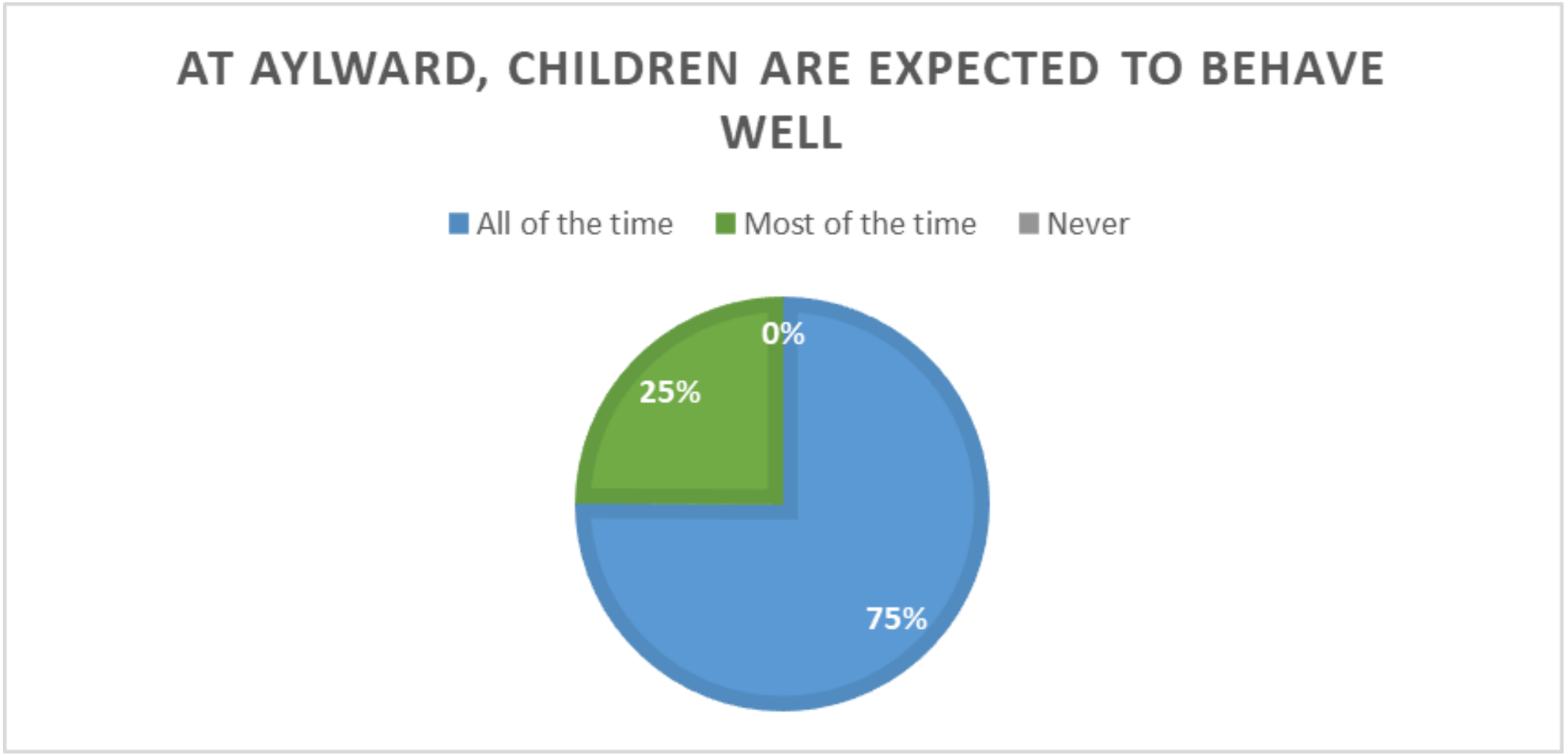
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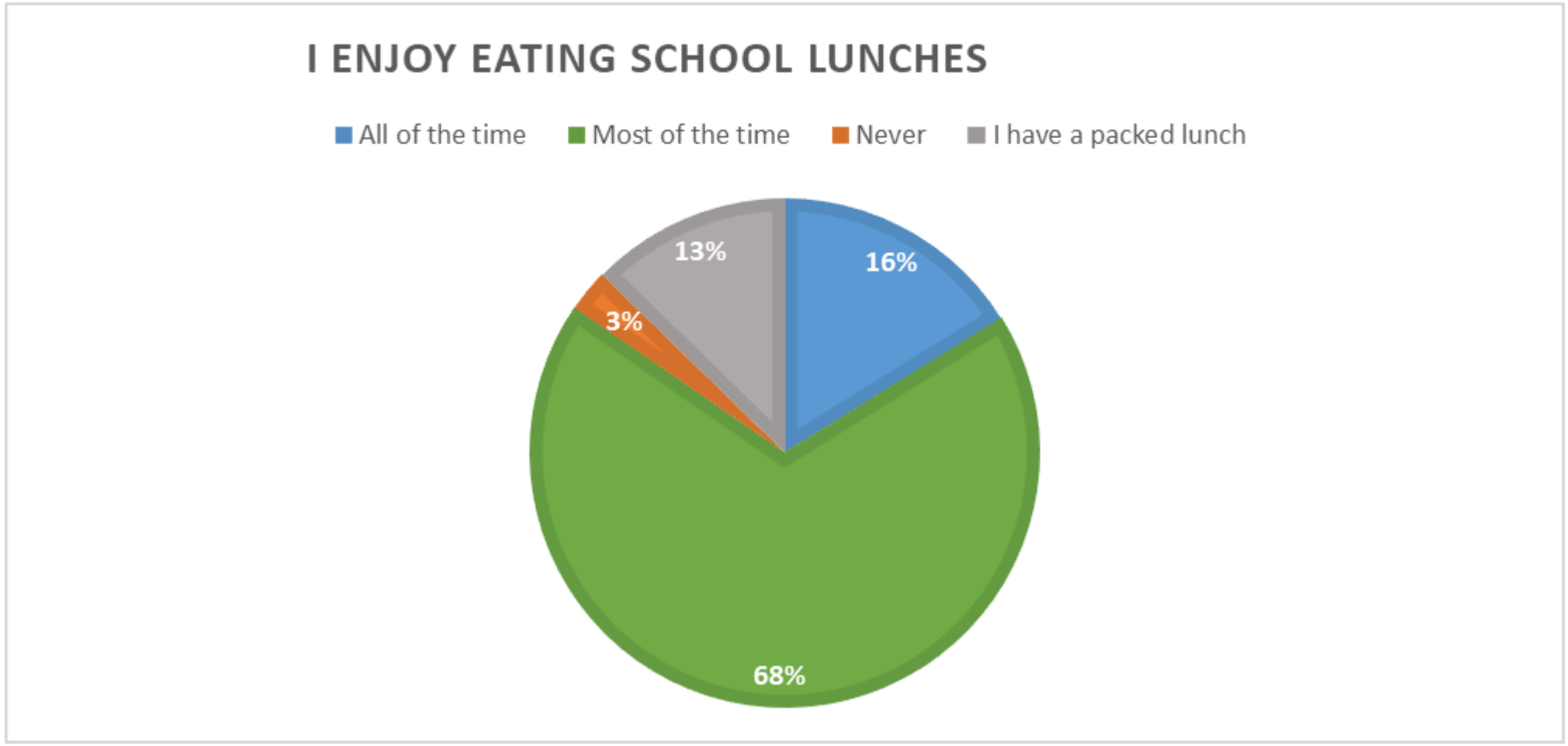
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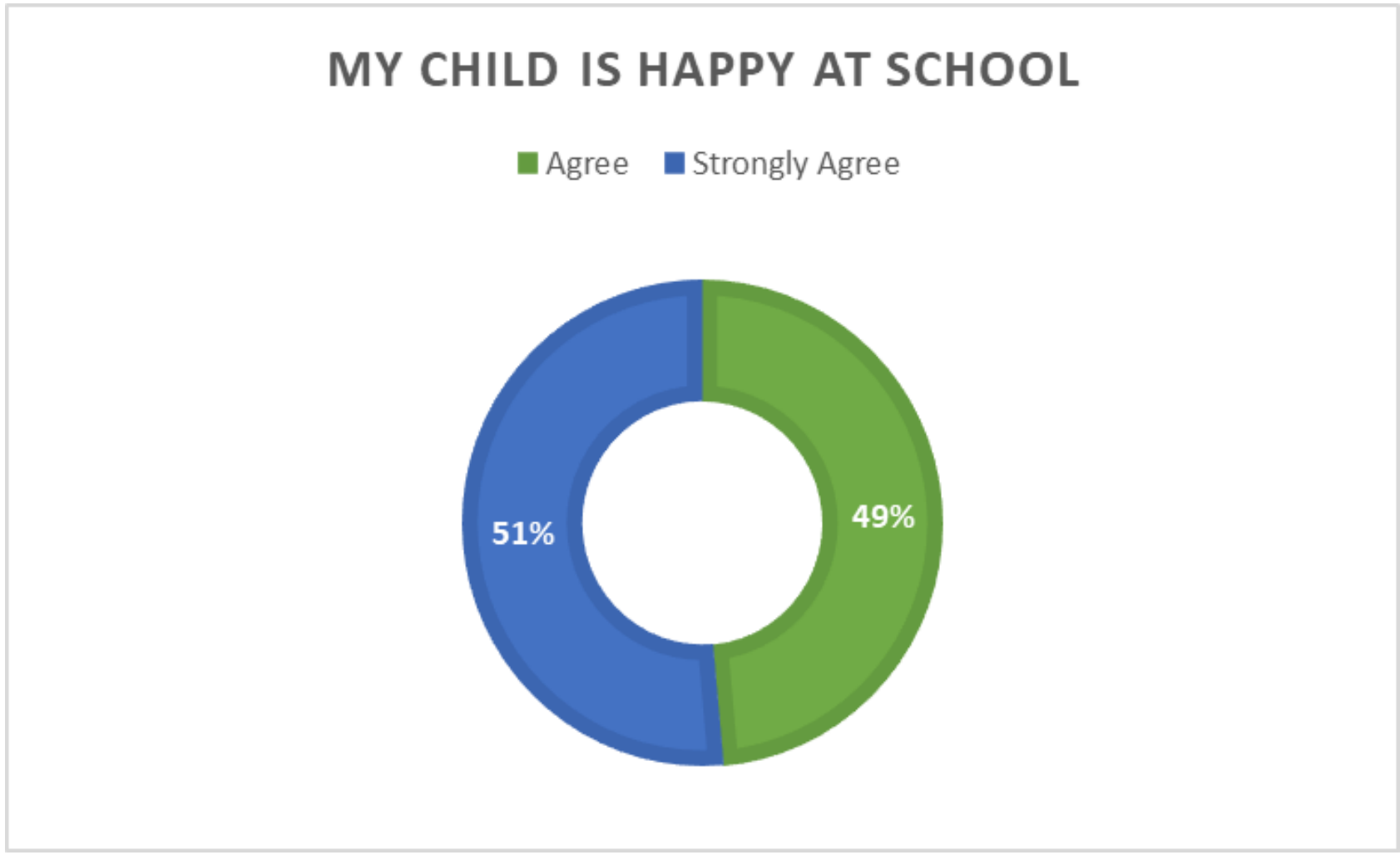
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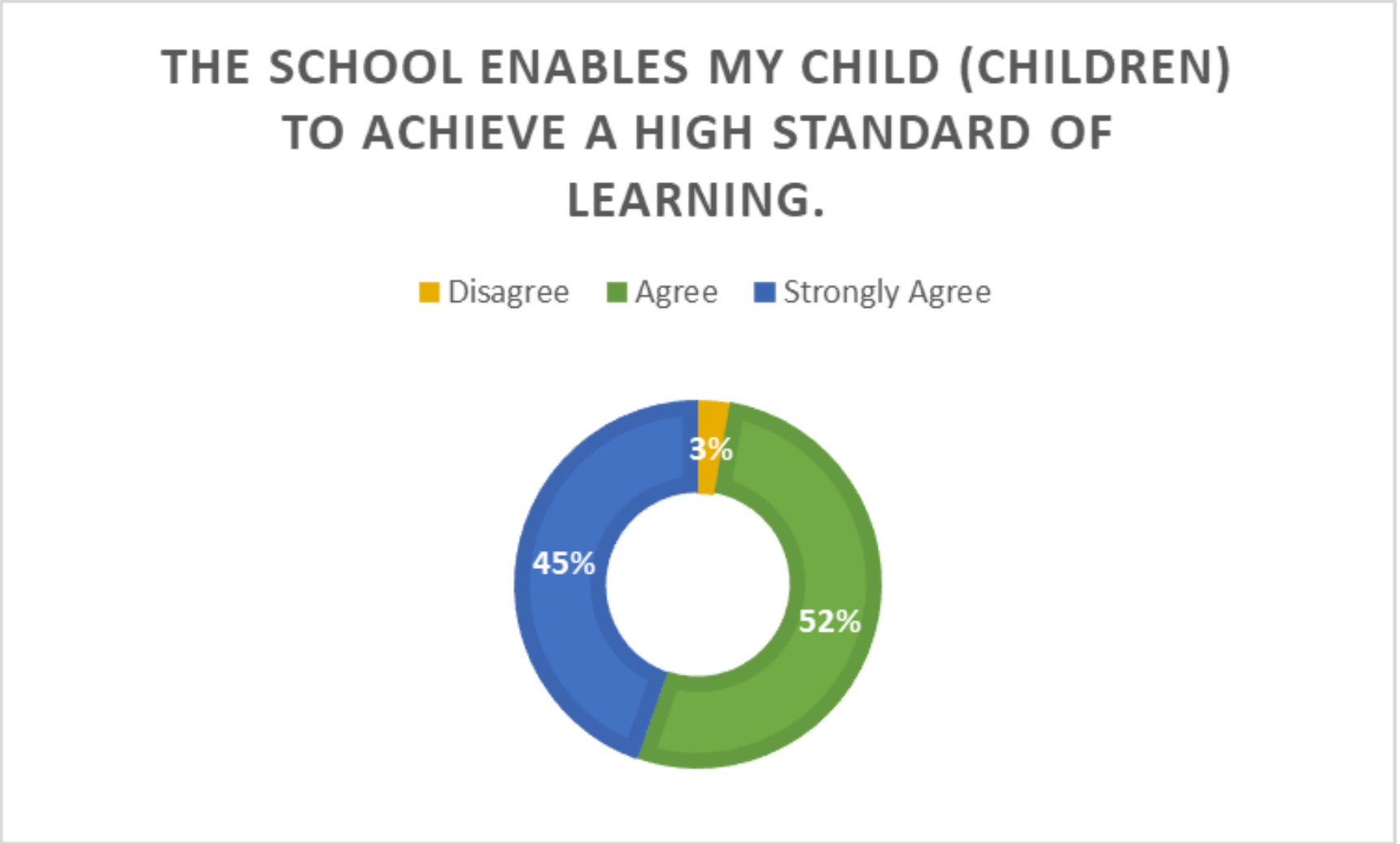
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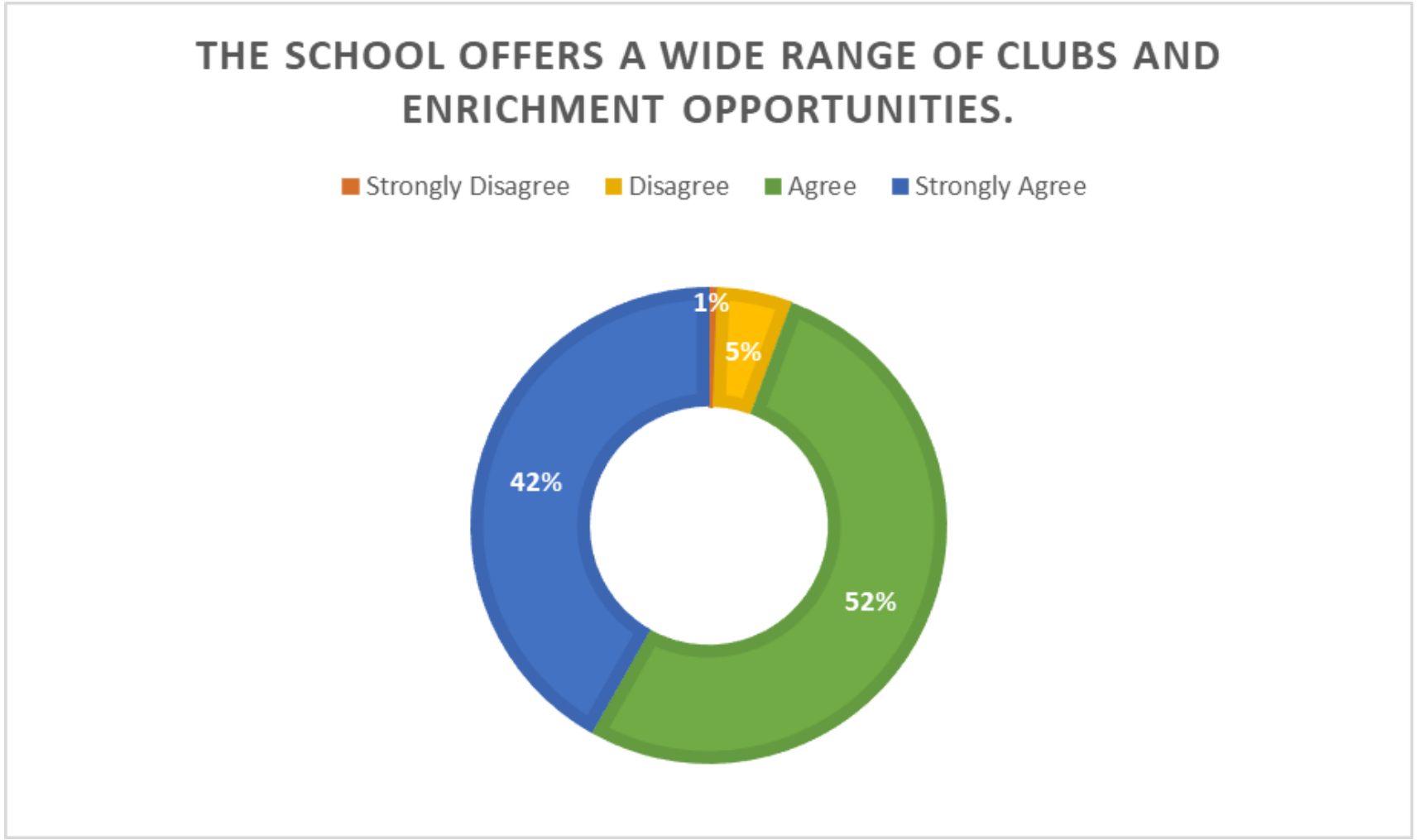
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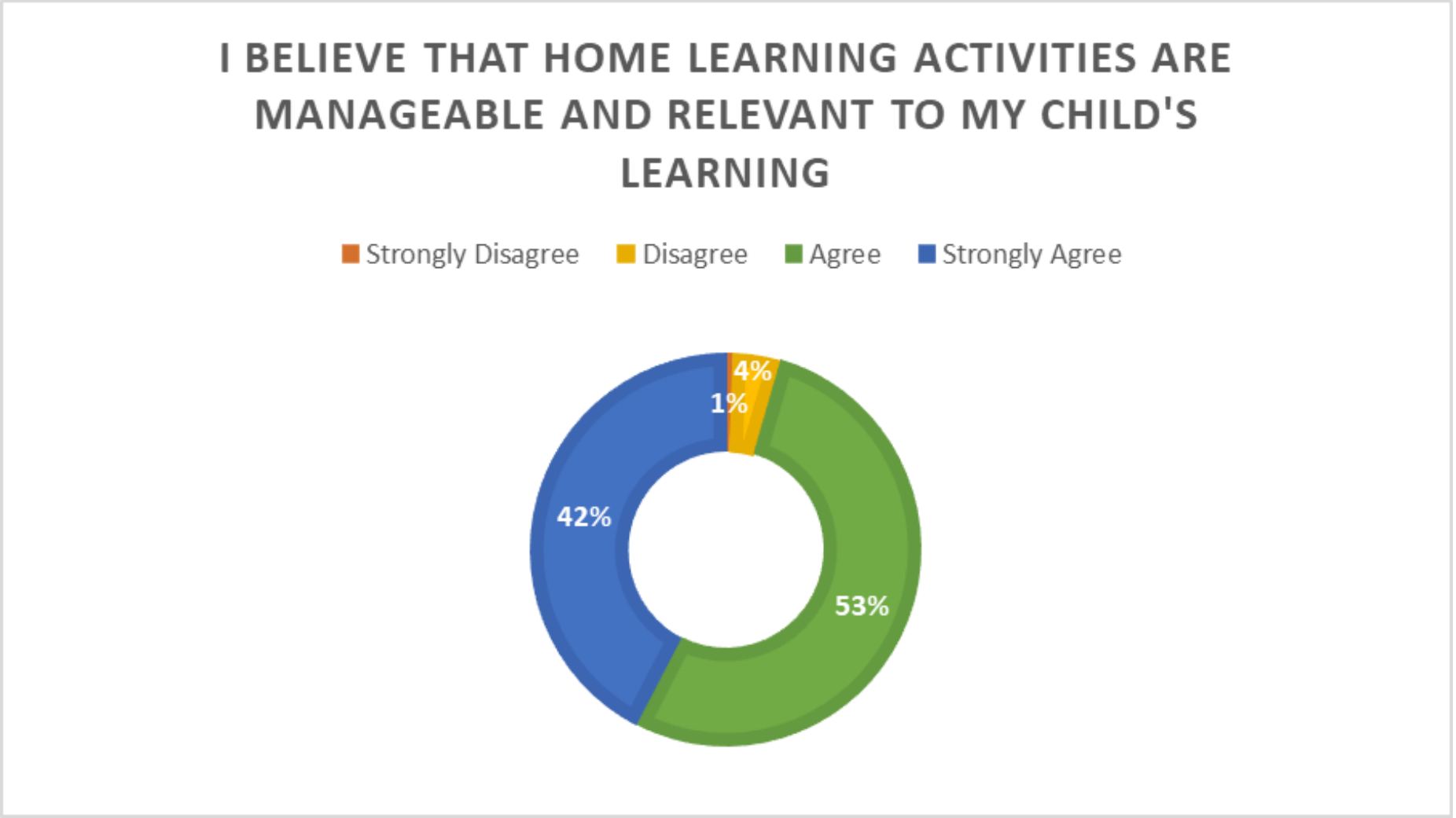
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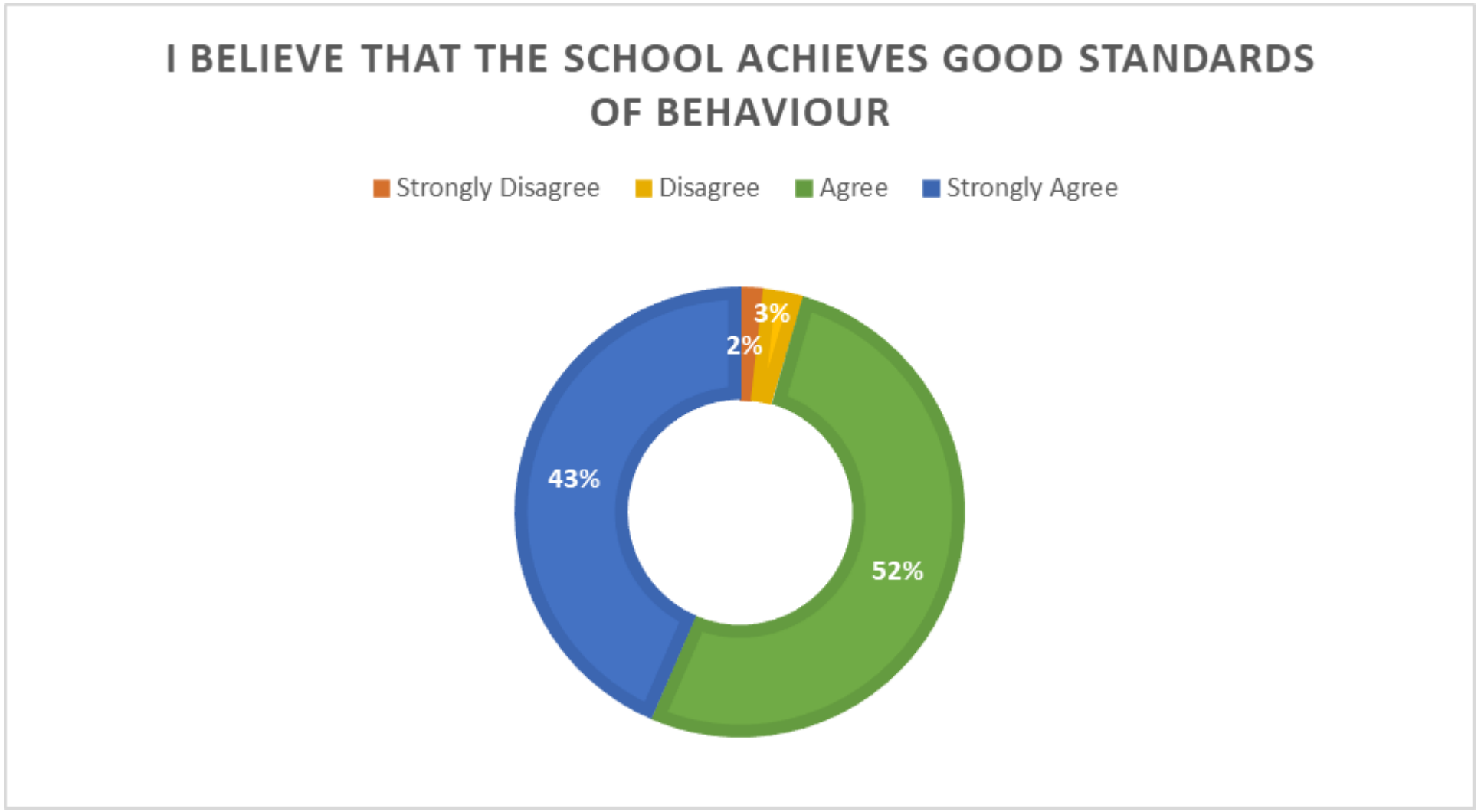
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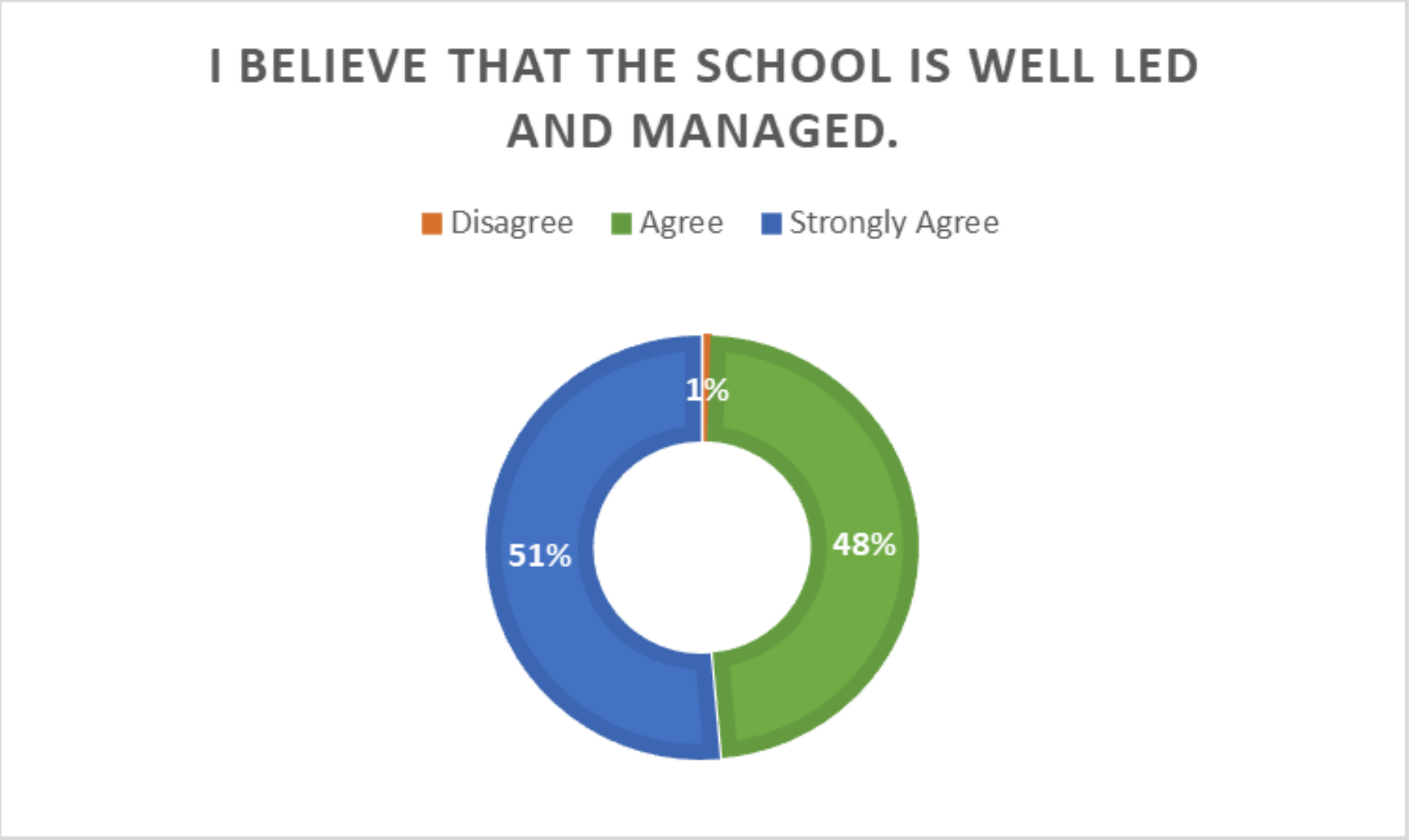
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Recruitment Update

This term we have welcomed:

Miss Vivekananthan – Student Teacher in 4R



Dates for your diary

Every Tuesday 8.30-8.45am - Open Library (Years' 1 to 6)
Every Thursday - Counselling Service in school (SCP)
April
24/4 – PTFA Spring Social Event
Wk. Beginning 27/4 – Clubs begin
May
5/5 – Bake for Books Event
19/5 (2.45pm) and 20/5 (9am) – RHE Parent Meetings
21/5 – Winning House Mufti Day
Family assemblies (2.45pm) – 3EK(13/5), 4R(20/5)
June
3/6- PTFA Adult Bingo Night
Family assemblies (2.45pm) – 4O(3/6), Rainbow (17/6), Snowflake (24/6)
5/6 – Race for Reading Event
12/6 –INSET Day
16/6 - Whole School Reading Picnic
19/6 – Summer Fair
22/6 – Reception and KS1 Sports' Day
25/6 – KS2 Sports' Day
30/6 – EYFS/KS1 Art/DT Gallery

Please see the school's calendar on our website
www.aylwardschool.org.uk for all dates for the term

Any Questions

