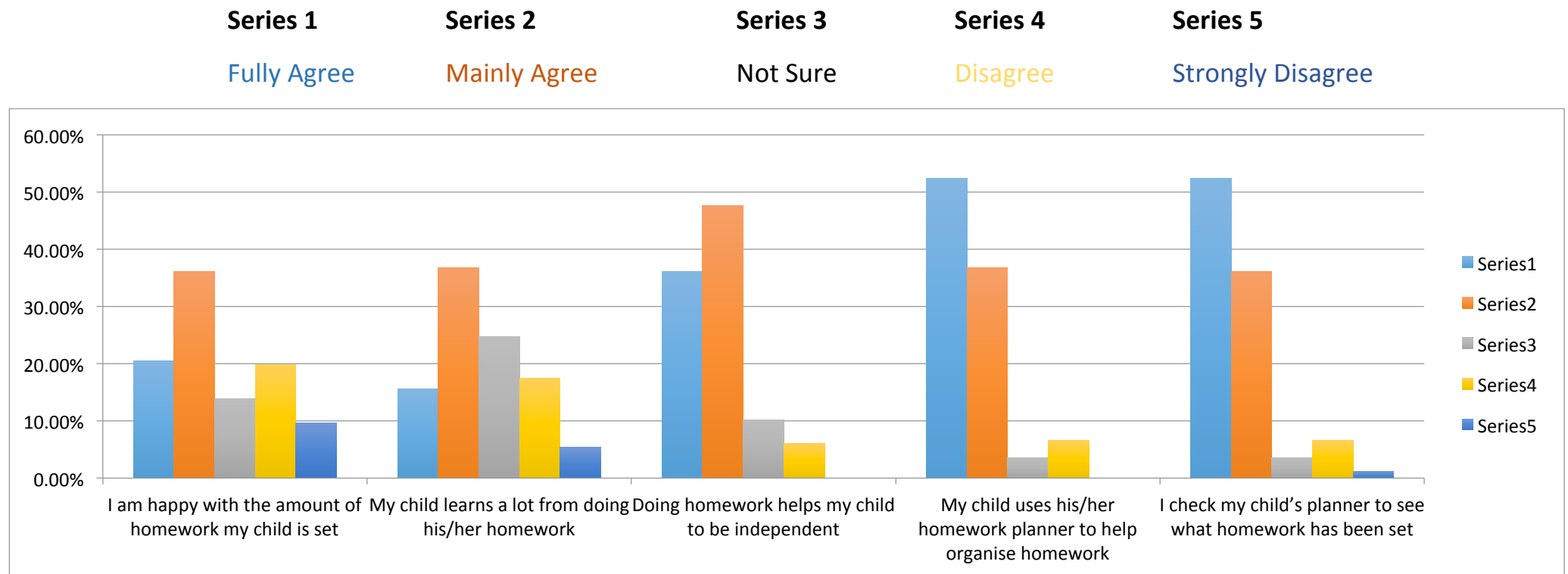
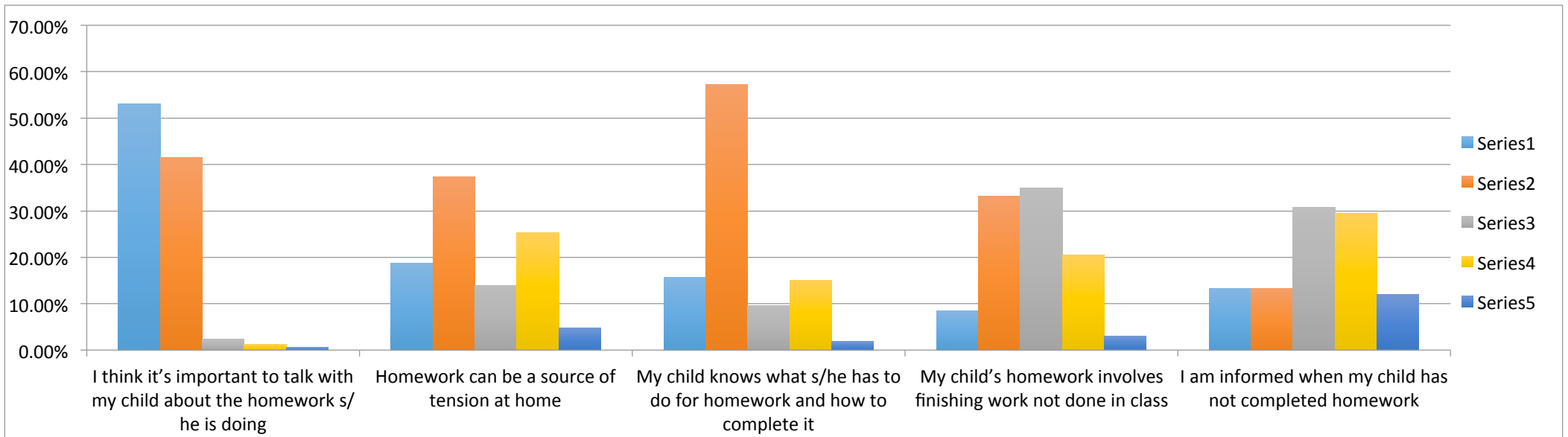
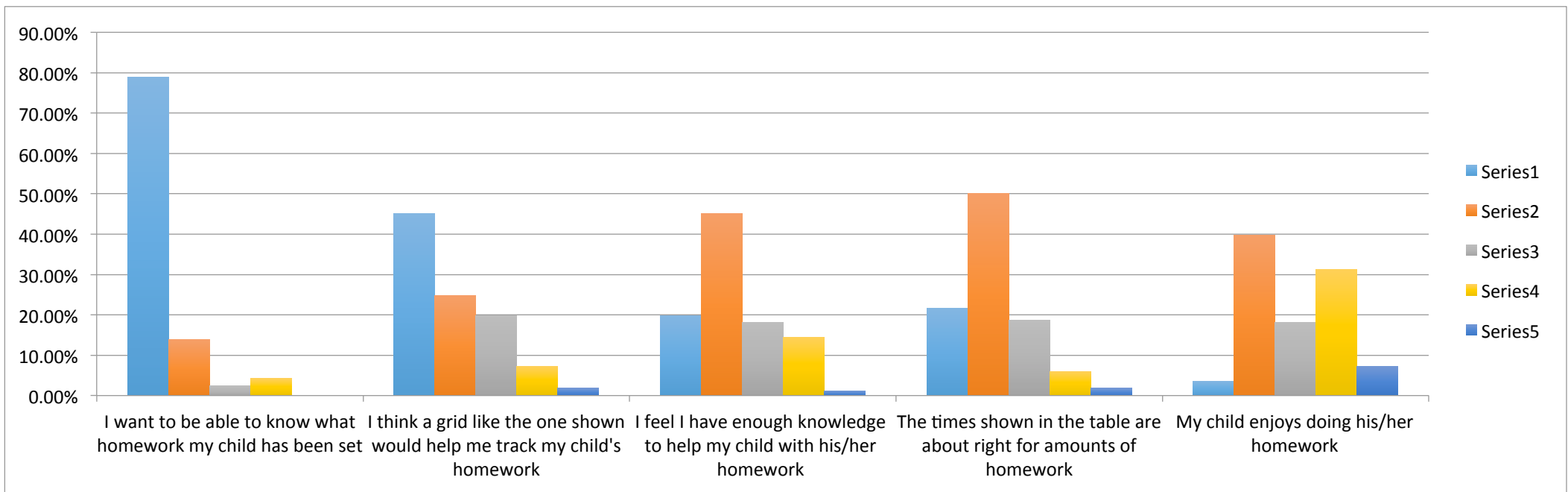


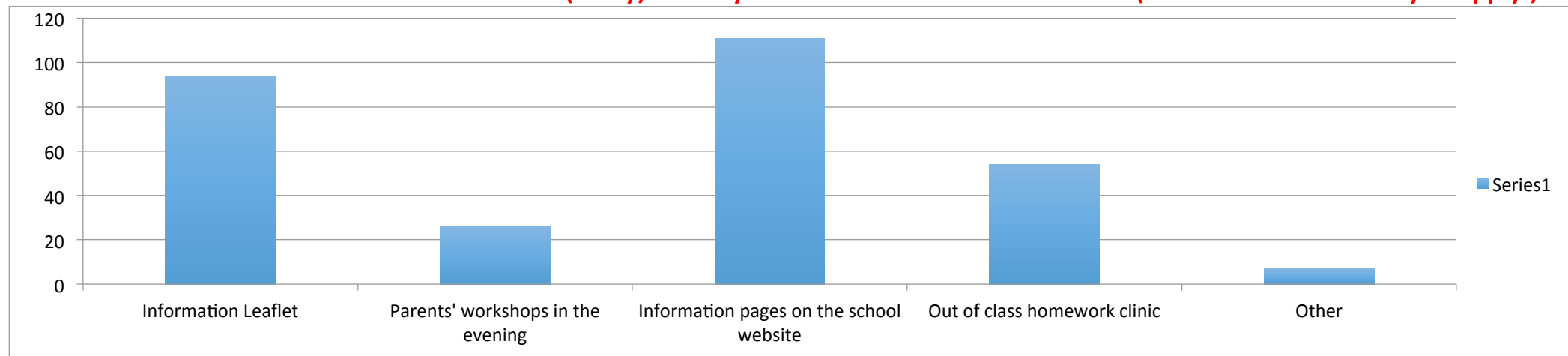
Homework Survey to parents 19th January 2015

Comments: Thank you to all parents/carers who took the time to complete our survey on homework. There were 166 respondents by Sunday January 24th when we closed the survey. These results help us in deciding our policy. An example of this is to use the school website more effectively and to consider other ways of communicating expectations and advice for homework. You will see that in the free responses, there are wide variations of expectations among families. This is why it can be difficult to produce the perfect policy/strategy. In these cases, if responses included names of children or references to other schools (positive and negative) they have been removed.





Which of these sources of advice on homework (if any) would you welcome and use if available? (Please indicate as many as apply.)



How can the school help you? Please add comments if appropriate in answer to the questions. (200 characters only allowed)

Use the website to communicate.
My son doesn't seem to get as much homework as I would like him to have
An online tool to see what has been set by teachers.
Making it clear what after school homework clubs etc. are available, more use of texts or emails with updates about homework. Less fuss made about the planner being signed, it doesn't mean I have been
I would like an email when important homework as in projects and reports
Provide parents with more information on the curriculum
A letter home if any problems as sometimes I'm not able to look at his diary
Child does not want to complete homework. Compulsory homework club an advantage
It would be helpful to make sure homework is more clearly stated there are times when my child appears to have had no homework for a long period of time
Not sure! When attending parents evening teachers always tell us homework is set weekly! My son's diary is mostly empty! I work full time and can only rely on what he tells me!
Have a more structured homework syllabus as I am never sure what homework my child has and how much time he needs to spend on it!!
Maths and science homework support
Sometimes what is written in the homework diary doesn't clearly explain what is required for a homework, and my daughter doesn't fully understand or remember what is required.
Set more homework. There doesn't appear a lot to be set for year 9
A structured homework timetable in place from September with set subjects on set nights.
The teachers need to be more closely monitored to ensure homework is being set.
Homework is a important aspect of school. Maybe the frequency of the home work could be done in after school classes which would possibly benefit both students and teachers.

Ensure pupils know passwords to my maths websites. Provide examples of questions where appropriate e.g. maths. Give clear deadlines for completing homework.
Sometimes my daughter is unsure of what to do and I cannot help her think teachers should double check at end of lesson that each pupil has written it down correctly and understanding what to do
By setting my child more homework.
The school could help me daughter by providing more homework, the lack of homework my year 8 daughter received is extremely worrying. I have repeatedly written this in her diary,
All is fine
I think that now in Yr 11 home work should be more revision based and exam style questions i feel this would be more beneficial and prepare them more
There does not seem to be a consistent quantity of homework se and being a year 10 student I would expect there to be more, especially in core subjects.
Happy with help all ready given, but thought children have more homework them given
We need a clearer understanding of what we can do to support them.
Can't read the table provided as its too small so unable to comment other than 'unsure '. This might not necessarily give you accurate and informative results.
Communicate if homework is not completed. Advise by text message when child has detention for no homework. Create a planner of days homework for each subject to be set then if not recorded can ask.
My daughter rarely gives me her homework diary to sign but never seems to get into any trouble for it. I did try to e-mail my concerns but the teacher just said it was her fault for not checking.
Possibly more detailed homework guidance/tasks with appropriate links to resources to encourage enquiry and independent learning but with some direction.
The sign is a good idea
Not to have homework to be in too soon. X attends Scouts and has little time some evenings and weekends to do homework straight away
I feel my son writes non set in his planner a lot, so I don't know if he is being set homework or not. I would rather the planner be checked by staff to ensure the correct info is being sent home.
Teaching child subject matter before setting homework
More online learning would help. Access to suitable school reference material. Sometimes child says, we've not done this is class
Don't feel my child has much homework, says this is due to homework set is for completion of the class work if not done in the lesson.
I do not agree with homework given to students during holidays. This time is family time as we are not allowed to take holidays during term time.
I feel my child has enough homework, it would be easier if we could go online and check like well field parents do, also what they buy from canteen
My child attends intervention after school & this seems to be helping him
Sometimes my child is inundated with homework and revision for tests. She regularly does 4 hours per night. I feel this is too much.
My child doesn't always (or not correctly) write homework in the planner making it difficult for me to monitor. He doesn't remember login details for subject websites so can't access them.
Make sure the subject has been taught in school and understood before setting the homework
My grandchildren come in after school and although the diaries are checked there is rarely homework set
I have a highly motivated student so I never have to check what homework has been set for her.
I am very worried by the small amount of homework my year 10 gets! He doesn't seem to grasp how important this is! Help!
Parents are asked to sign planners on a weekly basis however I find it unacceptable that students' gained/lost merits are not detailed before the parent is required to sign.
Not able to help with Maths sometimes too much homework and sometimes daughter unable to do homework
the school could with more regular feedback about your child.

By ensuring students write homework in their planners
I would like to see comments more often in Y's books
Would be helpful if we could access details of homework set without relying on info in planner, perhaps through moodle, together with deadlines and useful websites to help parents assist with home lea
I think there is too much homework for Yr11 and lack of coordination between subjects.
Some way of parents checking online what homework has been set
I would like to see more teachers input on homework letting the parent know how well or not for homework
Explain learning objectives to parents so it gives an insight into what the homework is trying to achieve
More correspondence with parents regarding homework after school clubs all trips that are available and any other information
More schoolwork should be at school.
Important to let us know if problem with levels of attainment or issues quicker!
We only want homework that is going to benefit our son's education/learning. We don't want homework for the sake of it, especially as it has to be marked
More channels for discussion over homework and the lack of it!
There have been times where my son has not written his homework in at all. If non-set they should be told to write in their homework diaries 'non set ' rather than it be blank. Set more homework
I think the children should be educated at school, homework could be used to check their understanding. They are under enough pressure at school.
Sometimes we do not understand the homework and therefore cannot help them e.g. Maths.
Make homework relevant and practical and encourage children to seek guidance
I personally think that in the last year of school, less homework should be set unless it's revision. It's so stressful for the kids knowing that they have such a workload.
Make their learning fun, appropriate and interesting
Possibly having an advice sheet for parents. Homework not to be set during holidays that's family time. We are not able to take them out of school for holidays so no work should be set during holidays
If teachers stick to the days and amounts of homework that is set. Also that the homework is relevant to run alongside the class work
I feel that the only homework my child seems to get is either revision for an upcoming assessment or to finish off any class work. Doesn't seem to get very much at all unless I'm missing something?
My son tells me on a regular basis that no homework has been set so to clearly be able to see this would be brilliant and would help me to motivate him in doing it
More consistency around levels of homework. Less unstructured project work.
By providing a consistent approach to homework and enough to help but not overwhelm.
More communication if targets aren't been met and a strategy to achieve them
Learning Conference/parents evening so books are there in each department to see learning with homework to ascertain progress.