

ASSESSMENT SURVEY

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Northcross Intermediate has conducted a survey of the parent community about their thoughts on assessment and the removal of National Standards.

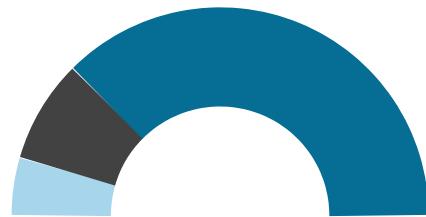
HOW DO PARENTS FEEL ABOUT ASSESSMENT AT NORTHCROSS INTERMEDIATE?

Note: There were some differences between year 7 and year 8 parents. What follows are the overall views of all parents who participated in the survey (n= 225)

Level of agreement with statements about assessment at Northcross Intermediate



Disagree (5%) Somewhat agree (10%)
Mostly/ Strongly agree (85%)

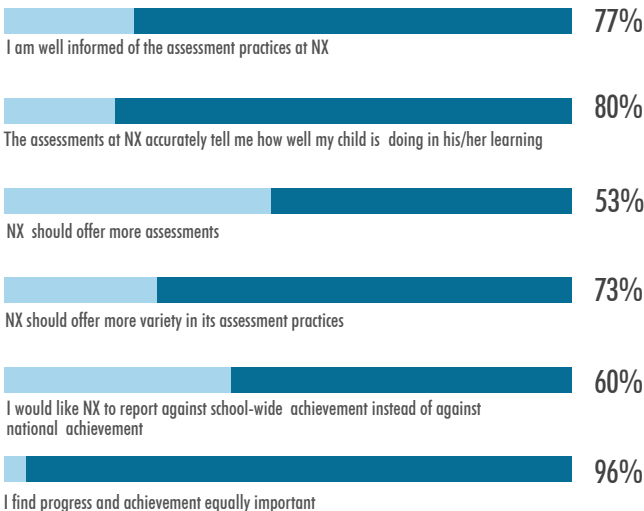


Disagree (9%) Somewhat agree (16%)
Mostly/ Strongly agree (75%)

I believe assessment is an important part of learning

Northcross Intermediate should report against all subject areas

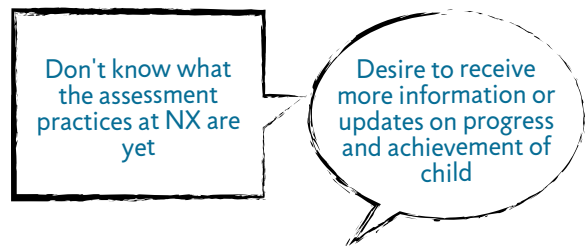
Agree or Disagree?



Disagree Agree

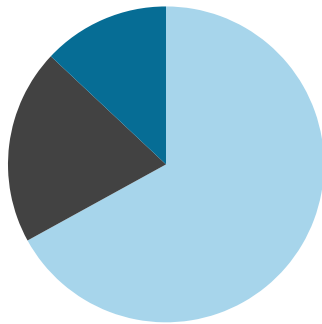
Comments about assessment at NX

Comments about how NX uses assessment were mainly related to the following two topics:



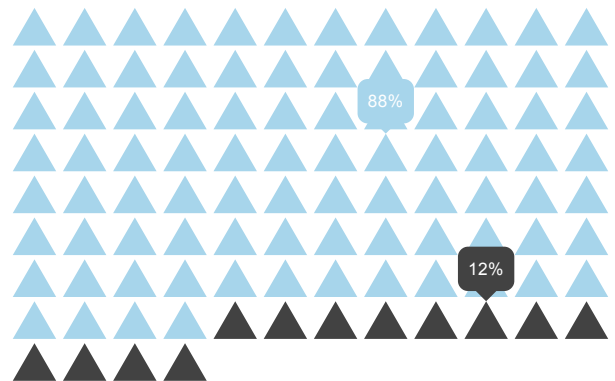
Although parents are positive about assessment practices at Northcross Intermediate there is great variability in parent knowledge and views. Parents from year 7 students are still learning about the practices at Northcross which accounts for some of the variability.

Replacing National Standards with something else is a good idea



Agree (67%) Disagree (20%) Don't know (13%)

I trust the judgment of the teachers at NX



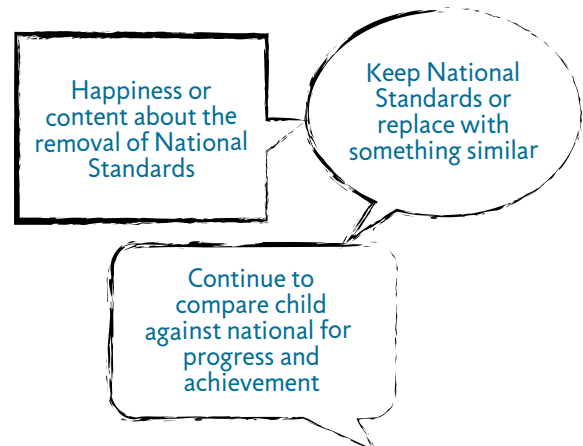
Agree Disagree

What should national standards be replaced with?

- 50% A combination of national assessment and the teachers professional judgment
- 29% School/teacher made assessments focused on the individual students and his/her learning needs
- 12% More national assessment tools such as PAT or e-asTTle
- 5% Keep using the national standards framework and report only to the school community
- 4% Nothing, the assessment tools in place are sufficient

Comments on National Standards

Comments on the removal of National Standards were mainly related to the following topics:



Most parents are keen on the removal of National Standards. They believe this should be replaced with a combination of national assessment and the teachers professional judgment. The latter corresponds with the high levels of trust parents have of teaching staff.



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