



THE GROVE SCHOOL PARENT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

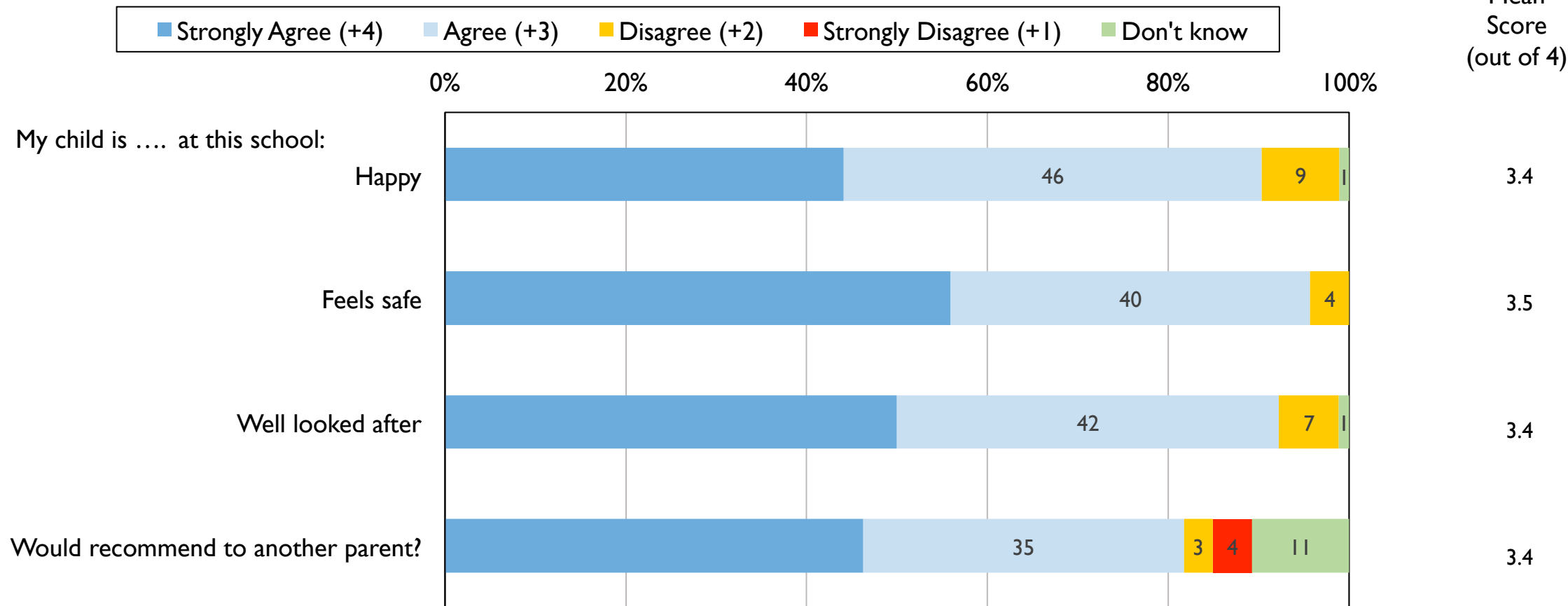
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Results compiled for the Board of Governors

A total of 237 questionnaires were distributed with a total of 93 completed questionnaires received back. This is a response rate of 39% per pupil or 46% per family. How to increase this response rate is one of the areas that the governing body will be looking at for the future. We hope that seeing a positive response to this year's questionnaire will be a good starting point for this.

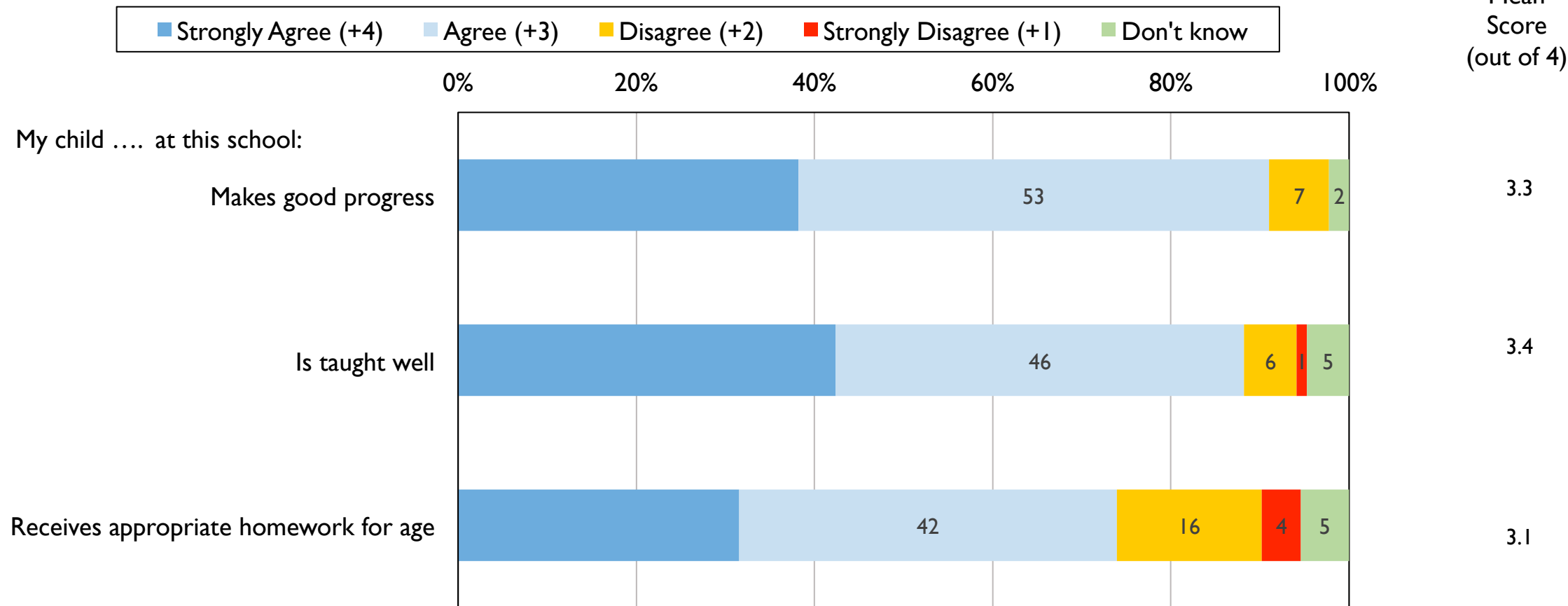
ATTITUDE TOWARDS SCHOOL

The majority of children at the school are happy, feel safe and parents consider they are well looked after. However, a small group (9%) consider their child is unhappy at the school and there is some lack of commitment about recommending the school to another parent.



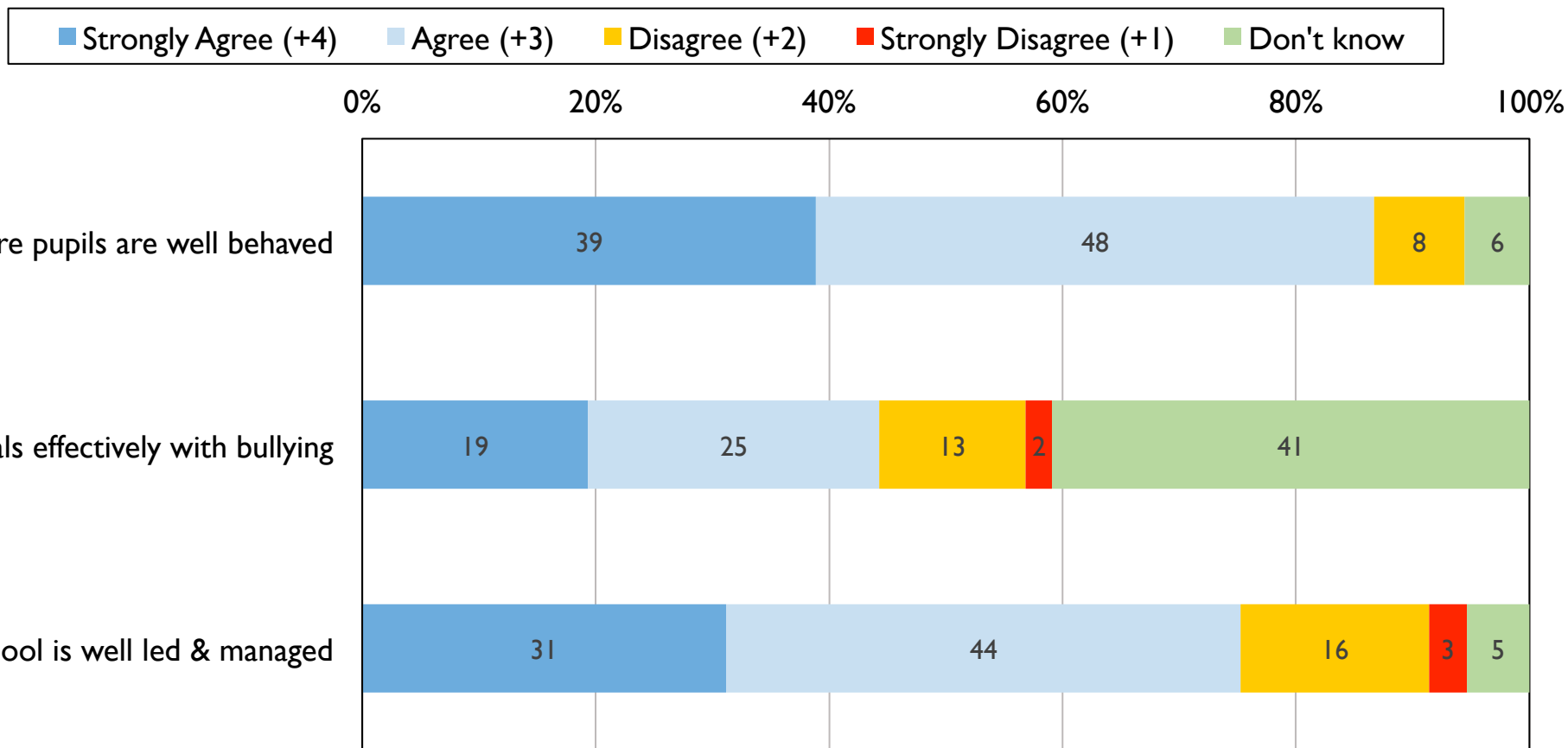
LEARNING

Overall, parents are satisfied with the quality of teaching and the progress their children are making at the school. Attitudes towards homework are more mixed, with 1/5th having some concerns on this issue. Unfortunately the results do not provide any specific information on whether the complaints are due to the quantity or the type of homework.



BEHAVIOUR AND LEADERSHIP

Generally pupils are considered to behave well and most parents do not have concerns or experience of bullying. However, 15% were more concerned about the effectiveness of dealing with bullying at the school. Three quarters of parents are satisfied with the school management and leadership, although almost 1/5th have some complaint with this.



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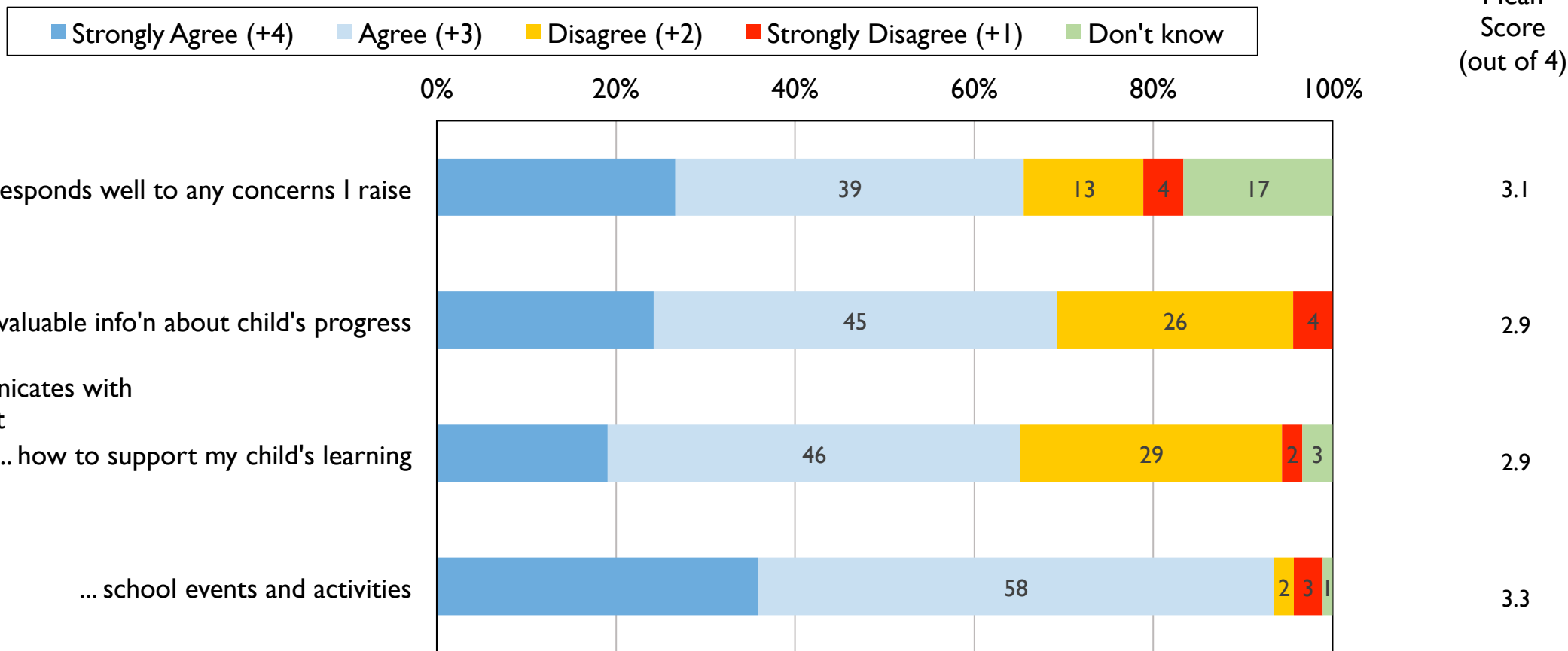
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COMMUNICATION

Communication from the school is one area where parents show higher levels of concern. Whilst information about school events and activities is very satisfactory there appears to be a view from almost 30% that there is a lack of information on their child's progress and how they can help to support their child's learning. 17% are also unhappy about the level of response they receive if they do raise any concerns.



SUMMARY

- The results show there is a positive attitude from parents towards the school. Children feel happy and safe, they are taught well and their behaviour is good. There is a small group of parents who do show some concern about the school's effectiveness when dealing with bullying.
- Improvements could be made on the communication from the school to parents about their child's progress and how parents can support them. Ways to improve views on the school's leadership and management will also be considered as there are some negative opinions on this area.
- The results suggest that there are also some concerns about homework, but the study results do not identify exactly what this problem is. There are a couple of comments from parents on the questionnaires which suggests that the older children do not receive enough, however it is also probable that some of the complaints were also that they are given too much, which has been suggested by one parent.