

High Hesket School pupils - Proposed changes questionnaire

Q1 What do you feel about the changes that have been suggested?	
Bad/sad for High Hesket	18
Can't make new friends if they don't move	13
OK	8
Some have to leave friends behind	5
Not OK	1
Armathwaite should not go to a full school/stay the same.	16
It is good because High Hesket is getting smaller	2
Bad if it doesn't happen as brothers and sisters are separated	5
Happy for Armathwaite getting bigger	7
Bad for High Hesket getting smaller	12
Armathwaite should change to be a full primary	10
Sad to lose teachers at High Hesket	1
I don't want to be with lots of older classes	2
More girls/boys of my age is good	1
Q2 What was the transition like for you?	
Good or very good	10
I was scared and/or nervous	19
I was worried I would not get on with anybody	3
I liked it when Armathwaite moved in	5
Can make new friends	26
Exciting and happy to come to High Hesket School	6
Not everyone was nice	1
Left friends behind	5
It took a while to settle	7
More children in the class supported me to be more confident	3
Very mixed	5
It was easy as I had already moved schools before	1
Q3 What were the strengths and how did this help you grow?	
It was fun meeting new people and making new friends	27
It could be a bit better	2
Good and exciting	1
Finding out about new things	10
Moving will help them when they move to secondary	3
I join in more activities	2
Nothing	1
People looked after me (staff and pupils)	13
There are no groups at High Hesket	1
Q4 What were the difficulties and do you have any suggestions as to how we can make the transition better?	
It is hard as you don't know many people	7
We could make it better	1
Make newcomers welcome by playing with them	1
It was difficult to make newcomers comfortable	1

I don't have any difficulties	14
More fun and days together	3
Difficult to make it better	3
You could keep all the year group together	2
Get those that have made the move to tell those that are at Armathwaite about High Hesket School.	1
Don't know	1
You could get more people to come making it better	1
It was hard because High Hesket did things in different ways	4
Teachers need to explain it better	1
It was difficult because I had to leave friends and family behind	3
I miss walking to school	1
My brother got bullied	1
Q5 Personally, what did the experience of moving to High Hesket mean to you?	
High Hesket is better than Armathwaite	1
It was fun	4
Meeting new friends was good	12
More to do at High Hesket	2
Sad to leave old friends behind	5
Nervous and scared	6
Made me more confident	5
Good as we did more lessons in a shorter time	1
It meant a lot as I followed my sister	2
It meant I learnt more	2
I enjoyed doing different things	3
It was quite hard to make new friends	1
It was difficult adjusting to a different way of doing things	1
Q6 What do you feel about the opportunities that have been offered at the schools you have attended?	
They are fun	7
Netball	1
I have liked a lot of them	15
Its good to get these opportunities	15
Happy	3
Cross Country	4
Both have good school trips and things to do	8
They are all right	1
You get better at things	1
Gymnastics	1
Football	3
Sad there may be fewer	1
Armathwaite doesn't have a sports team	1
Planning afternoons were good	3
Helps you meet new people and make new friends	1
Don't do enough science at High Hesket	1

There were 84 individual responses. Not all questions were answered by each child. Where more than one point was made in response to a question they have all been recorded.