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RESULTS

Pupil Questionnaire on Oral Language – 3rd Class

- 1. What language do you speak at home at dinner time:
 - (i) with your Mam? English – 100%
 - (ii) with your Dad? English – 100%
- 2. Do you feel confident expressing yourself in English in the following situations? Put a tick in one box in each row.

	Yes, very confident	Okay	No, not confident
Talking to the class about a book I have read	46%	54%	Nil
Presenting my project to the class	61%	31%	8%
Telling a story about a personal experience to the class	38%	62%	Nil
Taking part in class discussion or debate	77%	23%	Nil
Asking & answering questions in school	69%	31%	Nil
Talking to my friends at lunchtime	100%	Nil	Nil
Asking for help in a shop	31%	54%	15%
Talking to someone official e.g. guard or doctor	46%	23%	31%

- 3. What do you find difficult about speaking out loud in front of others?
 - Nothing really x 2.
 - I find that I would make a mistake.
 - When you forget what you say and everyone is looking at you x 2.
 - That I might stutter.
 - That I might mix up words.
 - If they are staring at you and laughing x 2.
 - I don't normally know what to say. I'm a bit shy sometimes.
 - 4 I think it is difficult in case you mess up.
 - 4 I find it difficult if they're in front load of people. I would rather a smaller group.

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- 4. Think of somebody who is very good at expressing themselves orally in English. What do you think makes them good?
 - **4** I think some people practice with their parents.
 - ↓ I think the person is good because they practiced their speech.
 - 4 Actors because they speak clearly.
 - + They are not nervous and they're happy speaking to people.
 - I think it's because she's confident and not mumbling.
 - They speak slowly and clearly.
 - They're not afraid of speaking in front of people.
 - ✤ She is very confident, fearless and speaks loud and clear.
- 5. (i) Do you go to the Library to get books to read? Yes 31% Sometimes 8% No 62%

If you do, how often do you go there? Weekly / Monthly

- (ii) Do you discuss school events with your family at home? Yes 100%
- (iii) Do you make an effort to learn new words outside of school? Yes 100%

If you do, how do you do so?

- Look in my dictionary 2
- I ask people what it means.
- I ask my Mam and Dad x 9
- Sometimes I look it up on my tablet, ask my parents or brother.

(iv) Have you ever gone to Speech & Drama lessons outside of school? **Yes – 38% No – 62%** If so, how often have you gone? Weekly

6. Try to judge how good you are at the following. Put a tick in one box in each row.

	Not good	Good	Very good
Using a wide vocabulary when speaking to others.	23%	54%	23%
Giving directions to somebody.	23%	62%	15%
Giving instructions to someone how to play a	8%	54%	38%
game or make a cake. Summarizing a book you read to your Mum or Dad so that they understand exactly what	15%	62%	23%
happened in the story.			

- 7. How could teachers help you to express yourself better? What do you feel you need practice in?
 - To drama more often to express ourselves.
 - 4 Answering in Irish.
 - To practice role play and speaking aloud more.
 - SET support for speaking aloud in front of others.
 - How to pronounce words better, particularly long words.
 - **4** Asking someone for help in a shop.

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