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## RESULTS

### Pupil Questionnaire on Oral Language – 4th Class

1. What language do you speak at home at dinner time:

- (i) with your Mam? **English – 90%**      **Russian – 10%**  
(ii) with your Dad? **English – 90%**      **Russian – 10%**

2. Do you feel confident expressing yourself in English in the following situations? Put a tick in one box in each row.

	<b>Yes, very confident</b>	<b>Okay</b>	<b>No, not confident</b>
Talking to the class about a book I have read	<b>38%</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>10%</b>
Presenting my project to the class	<b>24%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>28%</b>
Telling a story about a personal experience to the class	<b>48%</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>10%</b>
Taking part in class discussion or debate	<b>76%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>5%</b>
Asking & answering questions in school	<b>57%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>5%</b>
Talking to my friends at lunchtime	<b>95%</b>	<b>Nil</b>	<b>5%</b>
Asking for help in a shop	<b>50%</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>20%</b>
Talking to someone official e.g. guard or doctor	<b>38%</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>24%</b>

3. What do you find difficult about speaking out loud in front of others?

- They won't listen to me or believe me.
- If I say something wrong I usually just blush and just laugh it off.
- Speaking about my personal feelings.
- I feel okay when I am in front of others. I don't like going on stage and talking.
- I think of the words in my head but they just don't come out right.
- I sometimes feel nervous x2.
- I have no problem speaking in front of others x 2.
- Big crowds.
- I think I'm bad at reading out loud.
- I find it difficult because I think it's scary and I can't find the right words.

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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?

- ✚ They have a lovely personality and courage because they're always on a stage.
- ✚ They just imagine they are talking to their friends and then relax.
- ✚ Confidence
- ✚ A wide range of vocabulary and strong speech.
- ✚ You have to be brave.
- ✚ Smart and not being nervous.
- ✚ They take deep breaths and do things to keep them calm beforehand.
- ✚ They are able to read well.
- ✚ They are calm.
- ✚ She is good at her speech and good at talking in class.
- ✚ Not afraid to give their opinion.
- ✚ They are very funny.

5. (i) Do you go to the Library to get books to read? **Yes – 24% No – 62% Sometimes – 14%**

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

(ii) Do you discuss school events with your family at home?

✚ **Yes – 51% No – 25% Sometimes – 24%**

(iii) Do you make an effort to learn new words outside of school?

✚ **Yes – 72% No – 14% Sometimes – 14%**

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 – 24% No – 76%**

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.

	<b>Not good</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Very good</b>
Using a wide vocabulary when speaking to others.	<b>14%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>24%</b>
Giving directions to somebody.	<b>33%</b>	<b>48%</b>	<b>19%</b>
Giving instructions to someone how to play a game or make a cake.	<b>15%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>45%</b>
Summarizing a book you read to your Mum or Dad so that they understand exactly what happened in the story.	<b>33%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>38%</b>

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7. How could teachers help you to express yourself better? What do you feel you need practice in?

 Debates

 Give me tips to be more confident

 Give us more chances to explain our work in front of the class to improve our confidence

 To drama more often to express ourselves.

 To practice role play and speaking aloud more.

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