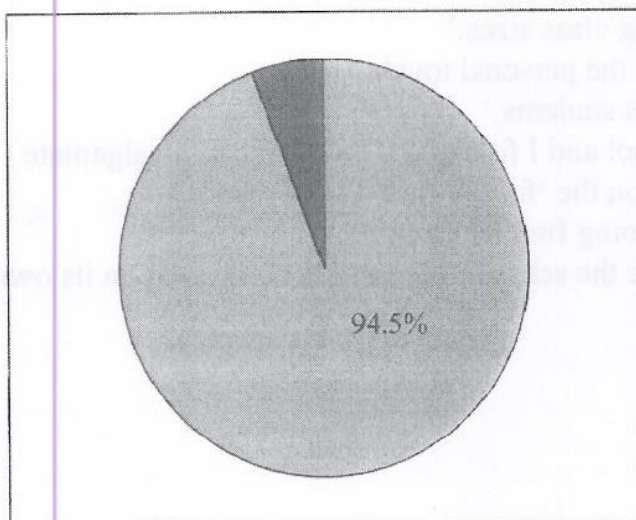


The Swinton High school's year 9 of Sep 2010 parents' opinions on the proposed amalgamation with Moorside High school in 2013.

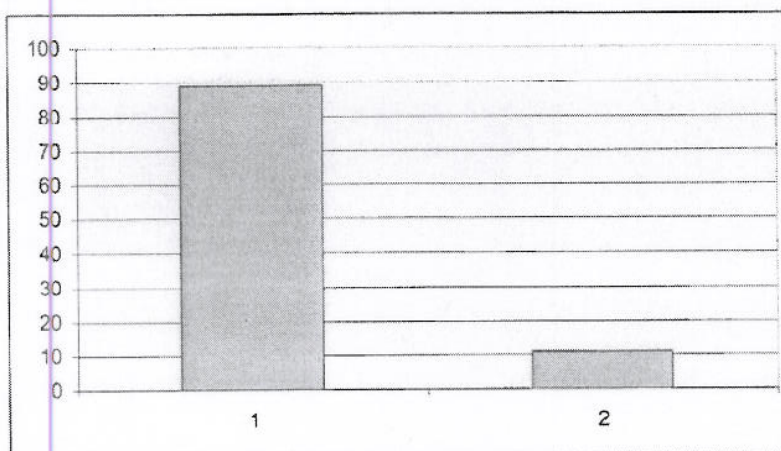
At the year 8 parents evening on July 13th 2010 parents were asked to give their opinion on whether they opposed or supported the proposed closure and amalgamation of The Swinton High School.

Parents who were unable to attend the parents evening were then contacted by school and their opinion was recorded.

Out of a year group of 203 pupils 192 parents expressed an opinion; 94.5% of the year group.



Out of these 192 parents 11% (2) said that they supported the amalgamation and 89% (1) said that they were opposed to the amalgamation going ahead.



Parents were asked to give an optional comment about the amalgamation. Some of these included the following:

- 'There will be too many children in one building'
- 'Big does not always mean better'
- 'Lots of children will have too far to travel to school'.
- 'I feel that in such a big school my child will not get the attention she does now.'
- 'Smaller schools cater better for individuals.'
- 'We are a High performing school. Why mend something that is not broken?'
- 'Lowers education with big class sizes.'
- 'Far too big a school- lose the personal touch.'
- 'Bad idea for special needs students.'
- 'Swinton is a smaller school and I feel that if they were to amalgamate the pupils would lose out on the 'family feel' of the school.'
- 'The school seems to be doing fine on its own.'
- 'There is no need to merge the schools. Swinton is doing well on its own, merging will not help.'