

QUESTION OF THE WEEK, WEEK 35–36 (28.8–8.9.2024)

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 352

The margin of error is 5 % and thereby the answers are considered to reflect the opinions of the population in Jakobstad.

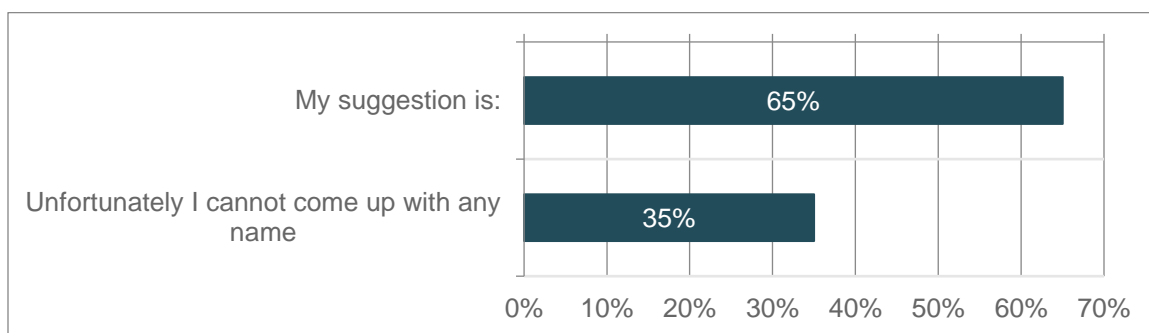
NAME SUGGESTIONS FOR THE NEW SCHOOL IN WESTERN JAKOBSTAD

In the Question of the Week the residents were asked: *“We are happy to inform that we are creating a new school building within our organisation. Bonäs and Vestersundsby schools were administratively merged in 2018 and are currently operating in Vestersundsby school buildings. A new school for western Jakobstad is planned for the plot where Bonäs school stood. The school is estimated to be in use from autumn 2026.*

We are now faced with an important decision – a suitable name for the new school. Therefore, we want to invite you to present your name suggestions. Your ideas will be presented for svenska skolsektionen (Education and Welfare Committee’s Swedish Subcommittee) for further discussion. When we have collected the suggestions, we are planning to arrange a voting, where you can vote among the most popular alternatives.

Among all who have given name suggestions we are drawing a gift card á 100 euro to Citygruppen. If you want to participate in the draw, you have to provide your name and contact details.

We are looking forward to taking part of your creative and inspiring suggestions!”



229 people suggested a name, while 123 people couldn't come up with a good name.

49 people suggested something with Bonäs and 23 people something with Västermalm. We also got an abundance of different suggestions, among others: Vestbo, VeBo, Westernäs, Vesterbo skola, Vesbo, Västra skolan, Västend skola, Westnäs, Vestans skola, Västeräng skola, Kungsbackens skola, Västernäs skola, Ringvägens skola, Västers skola, Västerbo skola, Västis, Vestis, Jakobstads västra skola Fyren, Vesternäs skola, Västra lågstadium, Västra Ringvägens skola, Vester, Venbo skola, BV Skola, and so on.

Some suggested a name after a known person from Jakobstad, among others Anna-skola (after both Anna Heikel and Anna Westman (Westmansmor)), Wava Stürmer skolan, Stürmerska skolan, Wava skolan, de la Gardie skola, Jacob skola, Ebbaskolan or Fredrikaskolan,

Elisabetskolan (after Elisabet Backman, who founded the maternity ward in Jakobstad), Fransbackens skola or Fransängens skola (after the first teacher in Vestersundsby School, Frans Gustav Pettersson).

NEXT STEP

Education and Welfare Committee's Swedish Sub-committee is having a meeting 26 September 2024 and will then decide how to proceed with this case. The pupils of Bonäs-Vestersundsby School will also have an opportunity to suggest names for the school, which the sub-committee will take a stand on.

A gift card á 100 euro to Citygruppen was drawn among all who gave suggestions and left their contact details (178 people). The winner has been contacted and can collect the gift card.

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