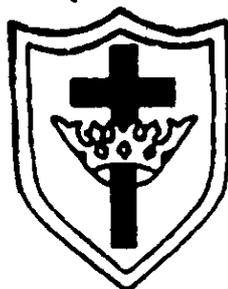


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FOUNDATION STAGE INDUCTION PROGRAMME – PARENTS' QUESTIONNAIRE

Dear Parents & Carers

February 2016

Thank you for responding to our questionnaire. I am delighted that your children have settled well into our school family. I will pass the questionnaire results onto our Governing Body and senior leadership team so that we can consider improvements in the future. Thank you for all your comments and for taking time to complete the questionnaire. We had 45 returns from Foundation Stage parents.

1.) The evening meeting for parents in June gave me all the information I required

Agree	Disagree
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Comments:

Very informative and useful meeting.
It was great to see the class base and to meet staff. Also a lovely opportunity to meet other parents. Plenty of time to ask questions. Answered all my queries and made me feel very reassured about the start.

2.) The induction pack was very informative and helpful

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Comments:

The pack was excellent as it was full of information which we found very reassuring. A sheet about 'A typical school day' would have been useful. All the information we required and more! The pack was well put together and easy to understand, and it was very clear to see what needed to be completed and returned.

3.) The home visit was worthwhile (If you requested one)

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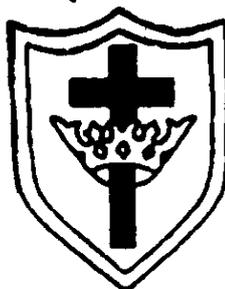
Comments:

Absolute benefit, made my child very confident about starting school. I wasn't aware I could book one, but would have liked one to give our daughter a chance to meet the teacher in her home setting. A lovely relaxed opportunity to talk.



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4.) The arrangements for starting school – staggered start times; gradual introduction into school – helped my child to adapt to the new routines and expectations of school

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Comments:

Fantastic staggered start times. Seamless – very pleased. Great as the children weren't overwhelmed by meeting the whole class at once. Plan worked really well for my son. Liked the flexibility offered to cater for individual needs of the child. Positive plan as teachers have smaller classes for the first few days so they can get to know the children individually. My only constructive comment was children starting in the afternoon had to have lunch at 11am before a 12 noon start. No need in my opinion, most mums felt their child was ready to start. Thought my child starting on a Friday afternoon was silly. Overall a really positive way to manage the start especially for my daughter who has settled in brilliantly.

5.) My child has had a happy induction into school

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Comments:

Induction programme was great and really helped ease my son into school. The staff are excellent and have been very supportive. My son loves it and is doing better than he did at nursery. I couldn't have asked for better teaching staff to look after my daughter. Parents and children are made to feel welcome, and the staff are very approachable. My child is very happy going in and coming out of school every day.

6.) Information provided by the school has been helpful and sufficient

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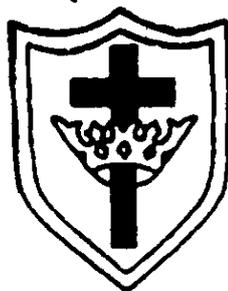
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Comments

ParentMail is great and newsletters are clear and informative. Website really useful and it is interesting to see topics covered - thrilled to find the Alphabet song – we can sing along together at home!
Some find the emails and letters too much, but I appreciate it. More information on staffing is needed to prepare children for the next day where possible. I was unaware as to why there were different teachers on different days, and it would have been useful to have been told about PPA cover arrangements. Parent email is really useful and always up to date.



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7.) I found the workshop about teaching in the Foundation Stage informative.
(If you did not attend the information can be found on our website)

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Comments:

Went along and were happy with what we were told. Tips for supporting learning were most helpful. Found the information on the website as I couldn't attend and this was very informative. Really pleased I went, as it was a very helpful session. Really good idea! I would have liked more information about the childrens' groups and reasons for groupings, but apart from that I'm very satisfied.

Any other comments not covered in the questions

We couldn't be happier with the way our son has settled in. His teachers are amazing and we are extremely happy with his experience at school. Thank you for an easy transition; we are delighted! A very successful induction programme we were really impressed. A welcoming school, foundation stage has exceeded my expectations – thank you!

My suggestion is that new parents are able to meet in the summer term with a slightly more social format – for a coffee and chat maybe? Very happy with the programme but slightly concerned that at snack break the children have to continue working, surely they can't concentrate properly whilst drinking and eating anyway?

My son loves the school, he has disabilities and the staff have been fantastic. I can't fault the programme, my child has settled beautifully and the whole process was very reassuring. Thank you!

