

Results from Parent Questionnaires

Question	Response	Comments
My child enjoys coming to school.	Over 97% agree	<p>“Skips in most mornings.”</p> <p>“She really enjoys school.”</p> <p>“He is always happy.”</p>
The school environment looks welcoming.	Over 91% agree	<p>“The refurbishment of Nippers and Nursery looks good.”</p> <p>“Interior now improving.”</p>
The classrooms are clean and well maintained.	Over 93% agree	<p>“Can only speak for Nippers really but the renovations made a huge difference.”</p> <p>“They are now.”</p> <p>“Very good.”</p> <p>“The refurbishment programme has made an enormous difference to the school.”</p> <p>“Clean and now well-resourced for the most part. All items appear well maintained if rather old.”</p>
The school is welcoming and there are opportunities to get involved.	Over 96% agree	<p>“Nippers staff are lovely.”</p> <p>“Staff friendly. Parents get together and FOSS is successful.”</p> <p>“This might be made clearer to parents.”</p>
My child feels safe at school is well looked after.	100% agree	<p>“The staff listen to parents and give appropriate feedback.”</p> <p>“Lovely teachers in Transition.”</p>
The school has a caring and supportive ethos.	100% agree	<p>“Very caring.”</p> <p>“Family feel.”</p>
My child is making good progress.	100% agree	<p>“Very good.”</p> <p>“Early days but a happy child will always learn.”</p>

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My child is taught well.	100% agree	<p>“Staff are extremely well qualified.”</p> <p>“I feel there could be more craft activities in Nippers.”</p> <p>“Tiny classes allow for good results which are expected.”</p>
Teachers and Key People are approachable and effective.	100% agree	<p>“We have been very lucky to have two amazing Key People who my daughter has had great relationships with.”</p> <p>“Always.”</p>
Teachers and Key People know my child well.	Over 93% agree	<p>“Her Keyworker is fabulous.”</p> <p>“I strongly feel this and have often commented to others that it is something I really value about Stretton.”</p> <p>“Early days but I am sure they will.”</p>
The schools expects my child to work hard and do their best.	Over 92% agree	<p>“As hard as can be expected considering it’s a Nursery!”</p>
The school’s system for rewarding and praising children is effective.	Over 92% agree	<p>“I am not sure how they do this or whether it is effective.”</p>
The school expects and maintains a good standard of behaviour from its pupils.	100% agree	<p>“I particularly notice the good manners of pupils.”</p> <p>“Very good.”</p> <p>“I am unclear of the boundaries of discipline and how my child should be treated if they misbehaved.”</p>
The school provides an interesting, relevant and exciting curriculum.	100% agree	<p>“As the years progress.”</p>

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The school caters well for individual needs of my child.	100% agree	<p>“For some parents, having to provide lunch for their children at Nippers would be difficult as many other nurseries do provide catering, however I am happy that this enables me to provide what my child likes and I am confident that the staff ensure she eats.”</p> <p>“No specific individual needs for my child.”</p>
The school sets an appropriate amount of homework.	100% of those who answered yes	“I have heard from other parents that it’s rather too much in Prep, but have no direct experience.”
The school communicates with me effectively about my child’s progress.	Over 96% agree	<p>“The teachers are very approachable and give constructive feedback.”</p> <p>“Daily record sheets in Nippers are appreciated.”</p>
The school communicates with me effectively about how I can support my child’s learning.	72% agree	<p>“As working parents it becomes difficult when the school relies on us to teach our child at home without the proper direction.”</p> <p>“Only does if I ask for any tips or advice. But considering the age of my child I don’t feel you should do anything different.”</p> <p>“We really value the weekly update on the website giving an overview of what’s being covered.”</p>
The school communicates with me effectively about school events and activities.	Over 88% agree	<p>“Would like more notice about activities.”</p> <p>“Parentmail reminders are particularly effective.”</p> <p>“This should be by email.”</p> <p>“Very good communication via Parentmail and letters.”</p>

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The school deals with any incidents of bullying effectively.	100% N/A or agree	<p>“No experience.”</p> <p>“Haven’t had any experience of this.”</p>
The school is helping my child to take on responsibilities (eg School Council, Fruit Monitors).	Over 96% N/A or agree	<p>“Very well.”</p> <p>“She enjoyed playing the coconuts in the Christmas Nativity.”</p>
The school is encouraging my child to lead a healthy lifestyle.	Over 88% agree	<p>“Not much evidence to go on.”</p> <p>“I don’t really know.”</p> <p>“No sure. No evidence either way.”</p>
My child enjoys taking part in physical activities including games and swimming.	100% agree	<p>“She definitely enjoys using the outdoor space and is always particularly excited when her day has included dancing!”</p> <p>“We are not sure how important it is for Transition to take part in swimming. We feel they are too little for this group activity.”</p>
The school is encouraging my child to contribute to the wider community.	Over 87% agree	<p>“Not that I’m aware of, yet.”</p>
The school provides an interesting range of After School and Holiday Club activities and trips.	100% agree or N/A	<p>“Very good to see that holiday care is available throughout the year.”</p> <p>“Very good holiday provision but not much range in activities.”</p>
The school office staff are approachable and effective if I have an issue with my child.	Over 96% agree	<p>“So far I have not had any issue.”</p> <p>“Always approachable and interested.”</p> <p>“Yes, they are approachable but sometimes due to the shared office, it can be difficult as meeting are taking place. Also not sure who deals with each aspect.”</p>

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The school is well led and managed.	100% agree	
I would recommend Stretton School to another parent.	100% agree	<p>“Of course!”</p> <p>“I have already recommended Nippers to at least 3 other parents who are looking for a nursery for their children.”</p> <p>“For Nippers, yes, can’t comment beyond this.”</p>

What do you like most about Stretton School?

All staff are very friendly and supportive.

Approachable staff. They always listen to me. Excellent communication with parents and among staff members. The teachers know my child well and help in every way.

Excellent school overall.

Attention to each child, ethos and small class size.

Supportive staff and atmosphere.

Small classes, the ability to speak to members of staff 121. Very structured education and the opportunity to learn subjects not taught in state schools.

The atmosphere is Nippers is better than most nurseries, with kind and attentive staff.

It has a lovely community feel about it. I also love that Mrs Barclay along with her staff are so passionate about what they do.

My daughter is incredibly settled & loves the time she spends there. Staff, especially her key people, have been great & clearly taken the time to get to know her well. I also feel like the school really supports pupils to be independent & do as much as possible for themselves which I value.

Very serious but very close from parents and kids.

The effectiveness in learning.

It is small and local.

I like how easy it has been to communicate with staff at Nippers. They have listened to me and taken my opinion on board. Sandra and my Key worker know my child very well and seem to genuinely care about them.

Well behaved disciplined children who are well educated.

The environment and team.

Its smaller size makes it more personal & I feel my child gets more individual attention because of this. The before and after school clubs have also been brilliant, as is the option of Holiday Club.

Children are happy and settled. Good level of work covered and given.

How happy my child is there. The friendly and approachable staff. The variety of learning activities available.

The whole team in Nippers are very good. They work very hard I'm sure. They do a brilliant job. Don't retire Sandra!!

Size and setting.

It is a safe, small and happy school.

High standard of care provided.

Size ie. Small, so quite an intimate atmosphere.

Nurturing environment with motivational atmosphere to encourage the children to strive for achievements.

Small caring environment, with good standards of behaviour and high expectations.

How could we improve the school and make it better?

Apply different techniques of learning to improve the performance of student by doing yoga which helps to build up a strong mind to perform well in future.

I can't think of anything else!

More organised games activity/sports would be great. Otherwise trying to remain as individual as it is- that is what sets it apart from the others.

I think it would be fair to give consideration to Thursday's where the children are required to come in uniform. We feel it would be far more appropriate for the children to arrive in games kit and leave in games kit, which in turn would, I'm sure, ease the burden on those staff and volunteers who help to change the children and organise there property, and, in turn, easing the lost property basket of ties and jumpers?

Include food at school.

Offer cooked lunches.

Children of the same age at other nurseries seem to do more craft and learning activities and have more structured play. Other nurseries also do their daily reports electronically and send them home, I would find this easier. My key worker knows my child very well but sometimes I don't know if the other staff do and I worry more when the key worker isn't there. Overall I'm very happy though!

Most limitations are with the space but it is compensated well by the quality of education provided.

Payment for fees, online or cheque! Both would be excellent.

Communication book is vital.

A no shoe policy in Nippers and possibly nursery. Less forms to fill in when joining or online forms. A lot had duplicated information. Also, some information in your prospectus and parent handbook was conflicting. Ensure that marketing materials and handbooks are up to date.

Up to date website. When letters are sent introducing New staff include a picture. New staff never introduce themselves when you drop off and pick up so you have to ask "who are you?" or stare at their badge and try and read it. Outside coat for winter is very expensive.

Keep doing what you are doing.

Lower ratio of staff/children in nippers and nursery as this is a key driver in private education- more one to one time would be beneficial.

A bit more fun and less seriousness, especially with the younger ones.

Increased classroom space.

Keep it up!