

Consultation Update



Since August we have consulted through questionnaires on a number of nursery initiatives

What We Asked	What You Said	What We Did
Induction Event	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit with my child - it was great to meet other parents, well organised. • Gives the parents ideas of what their children are going to do. All very useful. • Was very interesting and was able to get to know how we can get involved. • Detailing activities and what to expect. • Excellent information about curriculum and activities. • All the induction was extremely helpful. • What the children will actually be doing. Nursery session times. • Some small changes from when my son attended, all better or very reasonable. Good presentation. • Lots of positive change since my son was there two years ago. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will continue to provide a presentation & stalls including wrap, uniform. • We will continue to offer home visits
Shadowed Sessions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is very apparent children choose their own activities and are encouraged to use their abilities to accomplish the task in hand. Very positive remarks given for encouragement. • Good organisation, staff friendly, approachable and kind, plenty of activities available. Good interaction with the children. All children appeared to be enjoying themselves and having fun. • Parental involvement through.... Meet the teacher, open door policy and feeling welcome to talk to staff, walking group, shadowed event. • Children directed with opportunities made available for children to move between stations. Children motivated (busy, enthused, participating) because of the range of activities on offer meaning there is something particular they enjoy and plenty to keep them stimulated. • Activities that allow for differentiation and therefore permit achievement and different levels of ability. • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will continue to invite parents into the nursery in groups to experiences a nursery session.
Meet the teacher	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was lovely to have the opportunity to speak 1-1 with the teachers • Great to get feedback and see how engaged the teachers are • Great to put your mind at ease, see the nursery • Very informative and re-assuring to know that your child is doing well. It's a great insight into what your child is up to at school. The portfolios are wonderful, especially seeing samples of their work and the photographs • The event allowed me to meet nursery staff in an informal way, soon after my child joined the nursery. A lot of effort was put in 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue meet the teacher session • Range of stations • Informal

	<p>to make the visit interactive and interesting e.g making play doh and watching the video of the children.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 	
Parents Walking Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I attended the walking group and really enjoyed it – Sine was very welcoming and it gave me the opportunity to meet other parents. • I didn't attend due to timings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consult parents at the start of the session over timings.
Nursery Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Always clearly given and displayed • Not always great: heard too late that sibling photos were available for nursery children • Excellent communication. Staff always available to answer or discuss any concerns. Noticeboard outside each room are great way to of passing on information. Letters frequent and newsletter super. • No issue with lack of communication. All staff are always available for consultation on any issue. Written newsletters and the school website is very informative. • Excellent- between website, notices, newsletter, and teachers. • Good-knowing staff member for our child's group and having the opportunity at start and end if the day to share info is excellent. • Letters, newsletters are clear and informative. Staff are always approachable for informal chats. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are continuing our • Room notices boards with weekly planning, monthly newsletters, school twitter, texts and in the future we will launch Mearns blog. • <i>E-mail list system has been tested.</i> • <i>Photographs had never been organised before but due to request from parents was made available will be organised as part of nursery calendar for next session.</i>
Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Great to be involved and to be able to join in with..... Early education • Great –very well organised and children really seemed to love the events • Show was fabulous • The nursery show was fantastic. The effort put in by staff is visible. Similarly on the craft day activities put on by the staff were so enjoyable. It was quality time with the child and we both had fun! • Disappointed it was not the nativity but thought the show was excellent. • The recent craft day provided a great opportunity to spend time with my child in the nursery environment and meet up with other parents afterwards, The atmosphere was super and a great way to end the term. • 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue with a variety of calendar events.

Please look out for our Mearns Care Standard Questionnaire coming out in May . All information will help support us develop our improvement plan for 2016/17 .