

Dear Parents and Carers,

As promised, here is some more information from the **parent survey** that many of you kindly completed recently. Next week we will give you details of how you think we could improve Guildford Nursery School and what we think we can do.

The following comments are how you think your child is benefitting from being at Guildford Nursery School.

- Full support from the teachers and key person when going through potty training. Speech also improved significantly.
- Since N has been at the nursery he has learnt to share with other children, which was always an issue for us.
- Experienced staff and opportunity for outdoor play in all weathers. Risky play and child led play alongside small groups and interventions.
- My child learned so many practical skills.
- He is empowered and confident and really curious about the world around him.
- She is playing with other children, that improves her social skills.
- He's a lot more social now and his speech has come on loads.
- Our daughter has completely flourished here at Guildford nursery and is so happy every single day she is there at drop off and pick up! We cannot recommend it enough.
- My daughter's confidence has come on massively, her speech has also improved a lot.
- Learning every day, making friends and becoming independent
- Our son has flourished and learned new skills
- My son was extremely shy when he first started nursery. He's now very confident can build relationships and is happy in himself!
- 6 months with the nursery and always felt my child is well cared for, he is still learning to speak but the support we get from nursery to get through this and support our child is very much appreciated.
- He is happy and entertained by the wide variety of activities. The staff are lovely and he is very fond of them. The setting is absolutely brilliant as well!
- She is more confident around other children.
- Huge variety of activities and outdoor space.
- I highly recommend this nursery. The staff are amazing. The children thrive. The parents are always well informed. Thank you!
- She explores different kinds of things through playing and the teaching there. I really appreciate the support, caring and patience from the teachers.
- Gaining a huge amount of independence, developing socially and forming relationships with both children and adults.
- She is happy, confident, made incredible friends & enjoys being at nursery and talking about the activities she does. She's created a bond with her teachers.
- Language development and socialising
- By socialising with class teachers and friends.
- Freedom to choose and grow how she needs to. Everything is play- no pressure, no competition. There's a huge focus on them learning to be able to do things themselves, simple things like tying a knot which she is so proud that she can do. She has a lovely relationship with lots of the staff who I find helpful and responsive.

- He is happy and confident. He says he wants to go to his school, he talks about his friends and about having fun. It took only a week for him to say bye at the door of the playground and run inside.
- A wonderful and supportive start with staff who take a genuine interest in each child and allow a gentle and gradual induction suited to each child's needs.
- We love the freedom that the children have to move around the site and especially go outside when they choose to. The teachers are supportive and friendly. My child enjoys their time at school and has made some sweet little friends too.
- My daughter loves being at Guildford nursery and we have seen tremendous progress in her since she started there.
- She thrives in the caring environment with all the space, wonderful facilities, knowledgeable staff, engaging activities and the freedom to play.
- Our child benefits from the amazing gardens and outdoor facilities as well as the indoor areas where she can learn play and dance
- R has come on so much since starting nursery - she is much more confident when she is in new environments and her communication has come on leaps and bounds - her teachers are so lovely and I walk away knowing that she is safe and cared for every time she is in.
- Know how to get along with other kids.
- Learning, independence, fun.
- Great support from key person in addressing any concerns or developmental worries we have. Having access to indoor and outdoor play for most of day. He is becoming more independent and has access to varied activities and skilled staff to support.
- Socialising with other children and adults and feeling part of a group outside of the family unit. It is clear that the staff spend quality time with the children and our daughter looks forward to attending.
- She is getting more confident and social.
- My son has loved his time at GNS. He especially loves the teachers and looks forward to seeing them most days, as well as the many friends he has made. Over the last month or so, I have seen his confidence with reading and saying letters really improve. His confidence overall has improved, and is now ready to start his next chapter at school.
- His learning journey is very good. Every day he is saying new words and sentences. We are very happy.
- She has grown in confidence especially at playing with other children
- Our son has developed enormously. No longer he is shy. His improvement in speaking comprehension has been phenomenal.
- She absolutely loves nursery and has really thrived there. I feel confident she is well prepared and emotionally equipped for starting reception in September, despite being one of the youngest in her school year
- Caring and very knowledgeable staff. Always welcoming at the door in the morning. Amazing resources and set up. Always looks inviting to children when they walk in the door. A variety of activities set up to suit all children and the curriculum focuses on their interests and the real world. Growing in confidence and knowledge about the world around him. Good community for parents and support is there when needed. Like the songs and books of the term shared to parents as can talk about and look at them at home.

Thank you so much for all the wonderful comments. All the staff really appreciate you taking the time to give us feedback. No one works in the education and care sectors for the money! We do our jobs because we love what we do however, positive feedback is always lovely to receive.

Any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.
Kind regards

Sally (Headteacher)



Dates for your diary:

16 July 3.30-4.15pm: Family picnics for Hazel Avenue children who are leaving to go to Primary School.

17 July 3.30-4.15pm: Family picnics for York Road children who are leaving to go to Primary School.

Friday 19th July 12pm: Summer term ends.

Thursday 5th September: Children return to nursery.

As always you can find term dates on our website: [Term Dates – Guildford Nursery School and Family Centre \(guildfordnurseryschool.surrey.sch.uk\)](http://guildfordnurseryschoolandfamilycentre.guildfordnurseryschool.surrey.sch.uk)