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Dear Parents,

Results of Nursery and Kindergarten Parent Survey 2022/2023 Academic Year

Thank you to all of you who responded to the recent annual parent survey. We use the data to support the forward planning of the school. Your feedback is invaluable and complements the feedback we receive via our regular contact with you. I am always appreciative of this as it helps inform our planning and ensures we are working closely with you, so thank you for your time and effort in delivering this to us.

Strengths of Forest Preparatory School

The parent community is very satisfied with school life at Forest Preparatory School, with the vast majority of parents describing the Nursery and Kindergarten, as happy, friendly and nurturing, with a focus on providing the very best learning experience for all the children in its care.

There is a very clear sense of what most parents regard as the primary strengths of the Nursery and Kindergarten. The most common responses were:

- Each child is recognised as an individual, nurtured and challenged accordingly.
- There is a great focus on education and children achieving, which is being recognised by parents.
- A broad range of activities appeals to all children's interests and helps 'stretch' the children.
- High quality staff are committed to providing the very best learning experience with the right level of care for the pupils.
- The small nursery has the added benefit of being part of a bigger school community, which provides the opportunity for the youngest children to interact with older children, with great benefits to their social development.
- Frequent communication on Twitter allows parents to see the activities their children have participated in, helping parents to feel more involved with nursery life and giving great insight into their child's day.

The following table lists the questions that achieved an outstanding score of 100%

Question	% who graded strongly agree or agree
The nursery actively promotes good behaviour	100%
Children have many opportunities to develop socially and emotionally	100%
My child enjoys learning	100%



Teaching in the nursery enables my child to make progress	100%
I am happy with the support provided for starting school	100%

Priorities for Academic Year 2023/24

I really appreciate the time it took you to complete the survey and can assure you that responses to each question have been carefully reviewed. I have identified the following areas to consider for our School Development Plan next year, and to continue to improve our educational offer:

- ***Tapestry:***

The lowest performing area was around receiving information on a daily basis about what their child had taken part in that day.

Currently, Twitter channels are used to communicate Nursery and Kindergarten's messages and information, a weekly newsletter is distributed on a Thursday and achievements/observations are highlighted on Tapestry. The quantitative comments suggested that parents would like more updates on Tapestry.

We are now looking to add additional observations per week for each child on Tapestry.

- ***Non-term time Nursery and Kindergarten:***

We have been delighted with the response to the non-term time provision since it started in February 2023. Following on from parent feedback, we have decided to extend the day by half an hour. The provision will now operate from 7:30 am to 5:00 pm. There will be no extra charge for this addition. This will commence from the Whit half term holiday.

I hope that this is all good news. It comes as a direct result of your input for which I am very grateful.

In the meantime, if you have any questions regarding the survey results, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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