



**Parents' Comments**  
**from**  
**Parents' Evening Spring Term 2018 - Workshops**

**Sensory Integration Workshop**

Very useful to find out about different sensory inputs and ways to deal with issues.

I have learnt a lot on how to help my boys.

Interesting to learn about sensory processing disorder and how to calm or stimulate.

Not sure it was relevant to us, however informative.

Very useful to see Donna Boygle as she is working with Lizzie. Demonstration of the activities she does with the children would have been useful - I came away with several handouts but would have liked to watch her working with a child, or talking us through what she does.

Very good! Isaac enjoyed going on the swing and playing with the foam. Donna gave some helpful information.

Very informative & interesting. Great idea to let parents learn what the children do in lessons.

An introduction into sensory was brilliant.

Well presented an interesting topic. The exercises were fun and challenging.

Fun and inspirational.

Very informative and now have a better understanding of integration. Fantastic.

**Art Workshop**

Really helpful strategies to get our child involved in mark making and expression.

Took home some great ideas on how to encourage mark making and thinking about art in a more sensory way than simply colour on paper.

Good but as my child is more able, it seemed more geared towards less able children.

I nearly didn't do this one, but I found it very interesting to see how Ali approaches art in a multi-sensory way that I wouldn't have thought of. Nice to sit round and talk with other parents.

Good ideas shared. Lacked keeping Penelope's attention.

Lovely ideas of differentiation for all abilities.

**PE Workshop**

Really good games and ideas to help get engagement and involvement.

Was a nice idea but would be better with her actual teacher so we can see progress for ourselves. Not very informative. Would prefer to actually see work and progress. Totally pointless.

Lots of fun, great ideas for incorporating learning rules and fun.

### **Forest Schools**

It is lovely to see how they teach the kids about the outside world.

Great fun! Lovely outdoor area, lots of learning opportunities.

Good outdoor classroom with useful and engaging activities.

Really good.

All looks amazing.

I love what you have done with the garden! I had Lizzie with me for this session and she wasn't really in the mood for joining in activities, so I was a bit torn in two directions.

Isaac loved it in the garden, making mud pie (lol). Isaac loved being outside making sound and painting and getting dirty! Amazing garden! Lots of fun.

V Good - gave me ideas to use in the garden or in the woods with Riley.

Excellent, interactive, energetic - the whole family enjoyed this.

A wonderful idea. Great way to learn. Izzy loves it.

### **Role Play**

Gives an idea of what to do with the boys.

Excellent, especially the first cast. Also loved the bed idea.

V Good - V impressed by the efforts the staff go to for the pupils.

### **Papa Piccolo**

Excellent idea, great songs. Nice to have a musical group activity tailored for SN children.

Superb! I can see why Brandon enjoyed these sessions so much. So full of energy and fun.

Really engaging. Children seemed to enjoy a lot.

Loved it! Very fun! Isaac enjoyed it very much! Loved watching Isaac.

Would like to know where the ribbons come from that are used in papa piccolo.

Looked like a lot of kinaesthetic fun. V impressed again.

Lots of jumping and dancing and music - great fun!

Really fun way of learning and exercising.

Brilliant energy. Motivational, lots of learning through sing and dance. Really good session.

### **Singing Hands**

Very informative - good resources.

Lovely to see how the children love to SH songs. I didn't know so much was available on You Tube and will be watching and signing this weekend.

Really well presented.

Lots of children from teachers class in session - maybe aimed at older but good DVD's and energy.

Lovely to see how it is incorporated into class and lessons.

## **PE/Yoga**

Really useful and gave good ideas to use at home.

## **ICT**

Some great ideas on iPad apps for Leon - thank you

Good to see what he can access, how things can be used with everyday items.

Really helpful to see how it is approached - thank you.

## **Additional comments:**

Food was lovely! Lucky children!

I really liked the workshop idea. We have little idea of what goes on in school, especially with non-verbal children, and it was good to see how different subjects and activities are approached. It was hard to choose just 3 - maybe another time you could have two evenings with half the workshops on each? Also, there are plusses and minuses to bringing the children along - some of the sessions were pitched at parents and it is difficult to concentrate if your child is running off, and others were more inclusive. Lizzie was in club for the first two but with me for the last, and she was tired by this point and did not want to join in the organised activities. It's nice to be able to put faces to names of staff! Finally, a plan of the school - we don't all know which classroom is where! Thanks for organising today.

Thank you very much for the bike and nappies. Loved seeing Isaac ride the bike. Very happy mummy and daddy. Amazing school.

Food Tasting - Excellent - willing to accommodate.

Food - Delicious, yummy.

Relish school catering was really tasty - Isabelle would love it!