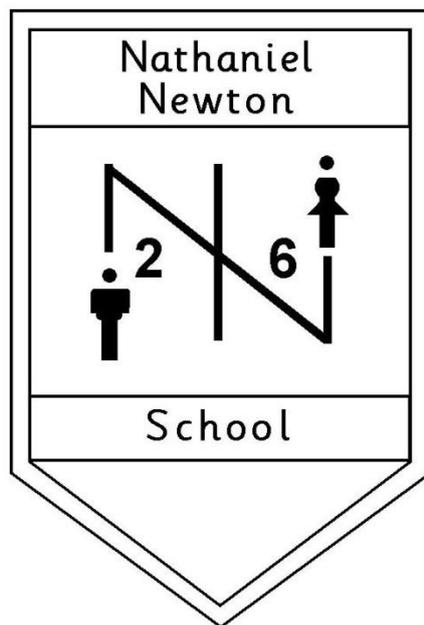


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Parent Questionnaire Results 2018

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Blue box – any positive score over 75%

Yellow box – any negative or ‘don’t know’ over 5%

RECEPTION – 68 respondents (77% of the cohort)

Each response is worth 1.4%

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't know
1. My child enjoys school.	72%	26%	2%		
2. My child has settled well into Nathaniel Newton this year.	69%	31%			
3. My child feels safe at Nathaniel Newton	76%	24%			
4. Everyone is made to feel welcome at the school.	72%	28%			
5. I feel my child is making good progress with their learning.	63%	35%	2%		
6. I am kept well-informed about my child's progress (e.g. by attending parents evenings, other meetings that the school holds, and the school report at the end of the year).	55%	45%			
7. The school meets my child's particular needs.	62%	36%	2%		
8. Children at the school are expected to behave well and to work well with others.	65%	35%			
9. The school expects children to work hard and to try their best.	71%	29%			
10. I am happy with the homework my child is expected to do.	46%	50%	2%		1%
11. The school seeks my views and listens to my concerns.	47%	41%	2%		10%
12. Staff are approachable and friendly	71%	27%	1%		1%
13. I am happy to talk to staff and/or governors at the school about any concerns that I have.	68%	31%			1%
14. There are opportunities to get involved with the school.	60%	38%			2%
15. The school is well thought of in the local community.	68%	31%			1%
16. The school offers a wide range of after school clubs.	41%	46%	6%		7%
17. I am well informed through a range of avenues such as school newsletter, MyEd, facebook, school website.	76%	22%			2%
18. I would recommend Nathaniel Newton Infant School to other families.	84%	15%			1%

YEAR ONE – 41 respondents (46% of cohort)

Each response is worth 2.4%

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't know
1. My child enjoys school.	68%	32%			
2. My child has settled well into Nathaniel Newton this year.	78%	22%			
3. My child feels safe at Nathaniel Newton	78%	20%	2%		
4. Everyone is made to feel welcome at the school.	80%	20%			
5. I feel my child is making good progress with their learning.	76%	34%			
6. I am kept well-informed about my child's progress (e.g. by attending parents evenings, other meetings that the school holds, and the school report at the end of the year).	56%	39%		5%	
7. The school meets my child's particular needs.	63%	37%			
8. Children at the school are expected to behave well and to work well with others.	66%	32%	2%		
9. The school expects children to work hard and to try their best.	71%	29%			
10. I am happy with the homework my child is expected to do.	54%	44%		2%	
11. The school seeks my views and listens to my concerns.	41%	51%			7%
12. Staff are approachable and friendly	80%	20%			
13. I am happy to talk to staff and/or governors at the school about any concerns that I have.	66%	34%			
14. There are opportunities to get involved with the school.	51%	42%			7%
15. The school is well thought of in the local community.	66%	32%			2%
16. The school offers a wide range of after school clubs.	78%	22%			
17. I am well informed through a range of avenues such as school newsletter, MyEd, facebook, school website.	85%	13%		2%	
18. I would recommend Nathaniel Newton Infant School to other families.	88%	12%			

YEAR TWO – 47 respondents (53% of cohort)

Each response is worth 2%

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't know
1. My child enjoys school.	79%	21%			
2. My child has settled well into Nathaniel Newton this year.	79%	21%			
3. My child feels safe at Nathaniel Newton	81%	19%			
4. Everyone is made to feel welcome at the school.	77%	23%			
5. I feel my child is making good progress with their learning.	79%	21%			
6. I am kept well-informed about my child's progress (e.g. by attending parents evenings, other meetings that the school holds, and the school report at the end of the year).	74%	26%			
7. The school meets my child's particular needs.	81%	19%			
8. Children at the school are expected to behave well and to work well with others.	83%	17%			
9. The school expects children to work hard and to try their best.	83%	17%			
10. I am happy with the homework my child is expected to do.	74%	26%			
11. The school seeks my views and listens to my concerns.	60%	40%			
12. Staff are approachable and friendly	68%	30%			2%
13. I am happy to talk to staff and/or governors at the school about any concerns that I have.	79%	19%		2%	
14. There are opportunities to get involved with the school.	66%	30%	2%		2%
15. The school is well thought of in the local community.	72%	28%			
16. The school offers a wide range of after school clubs.	60%	40%			
17. I am well informed through a range of avenues such as school newsletter, MyEd, facebook, school website.	77%	23%			
18. I would recommend Nathaniel Newton Infant School to other families.	87%	13%			

#WHOLE SCHOOL – 156 respondents (59% of school)

Each response is worth 0.64%

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree	Don't know
1. My child enjoys school.	73%	26%	1%		
2. My child has settled well into Nathaniel Newton this year.	74%	26%			
3. My child feels safe at Nathaniel Newton	78%	21%	1%		
4. Everyone is made to feel welcome at the school.	76%	24%			
5. I feel my child is making good progress with their learning.	71%	28%	1%		
6. I am kept well-informed about my child's progress (e.g. by attending parents evenings, other meetings that the school holds, and the school report at the end of the year).	62%	37%		1%	
7. The school meets my child's particular needs.	68%	31%	1%		
8. Children at the school are expected to behave well and to work well with others.	70%	29%	1%		
9. The school expects children to work hard and to try their best.	74%	26%			
10. I am happy with the homework my child is expected to do.	56%	41%	1%	1%	1%
11. The school seeks my views and listens to my concerns.	49%	44%	1%		6%
12. Staff are approachable and friendly	72%	26%	1%		1%
13. I am happy to talk to staff and/or governors at the school about any concerns that I have.	70%	28%		1%	1%
14. There are opportunities to get involved with the school.	60%	36%	1%		3%
15. The school is well thought of in the local community.	69%	30%			1%
16. The school offers a wide range of after school clubs.	56%	38%	3%		3%
17. I am well informed through a range of avenues such as school newsletter, MyEd, facebook, school website.	79%	19%		1%	1%
18. I would recommend Nathaniel Newton Infant School to other families.	86%	13%			1%

All comments below have been copied exactly as they were written on the completed questionnaires. The only alteration has been taking out the name of the child and replacing with 'my son' or 'my daughter'. Part of one comment was not shared as it was personal to the child/family. We will be looking through the areas for development and where we can, we will work on these areas throughout the coming year.

Positive comments

Reception

- Overall I am happy with the school.
- Very well management of the school. I am very thankful of all staff members.
- Amazing school. Really helped my son to settle in after a tough start. He really enjoys school now – thank-you
- Every parent has concerns when admitting a child to a school, however all concerns were put aside within a week of my daughter starting school at Nathaniel Newton. She has come out of her shy shell and has become a confident individual. She enjoys schools as every day is different and learning is made fun. The dedication and concerns of all staff shown towards all children are beyond words. Because of all the encouragement my daughter wakes up early and gets ready for her day at school. Since my daughter started school her love of learning began and she is still as enthusiastic as ever. Nathaniel Newton as a whole is a great school. The school itself is clean, has great food options, the staff are friendly and the MyEd app is great
- This is my 3rd child going through reception but our first at Nathaniel Newton. We have found it a lot more parent friendly and have seen a lot of educational progress in the first year made by my daughter that sets her up ready to tackle year 1.
- My son has progressed loads since starting Nathaniel Newton. He has also grown with confidence. He even goes to an after school club which I never thought he would do. I've had some issues with my son along the way and the school has supported me as much as they can. We are very happy with Nathaniel Newton and I hope my son grows even more.
- The addition of MyEd is great. It allows easier access with school and myself. My daughter has settled into school well this year. A really lovely school.
- My son enjoys attending school and has made lots of friends during his first year. The teachers, Miss. Dinza and Mrs. Arnold are very approachable and positive of my son's

progress. He enjoys phonics and likes being able to read books.

- My daughter has settled in brilliantly. She always has a smile on her face and enjoys going to school.
- So far, so good – thank-you
- I am happy my son has made a good start in school. My son likes coming to school and is very happy. Many thanks to everyone in school.
- With my son's autism we were so worried as he found nursery very hard and it made us worry for school but we shouldn't of. The way the school staff have helped him is second to none. We can't explain how grateful we are.
- My daughter enjoys going to school every day. She has progressed so much since starting reception. Lovely school with lovely staff. Highly recommend.
- I think my daughter is very happy at school. I've always felt able to contact the school with any queries I've had.
- Teachers are approachable and reassuring and keep you up to date. My son settled into school well and is slowly getting more confident. I would recommend the school.
- My daughter has settled in well. She has made friends and is comfortable with staff.
- Enjoys school and activities provided. Loves doing her homework and learning something new.
- My son loves coming to Nathaniel Newton and we love the school and everything it has to offer.
- I am very happy with Nathaniel Newton School. My son is very happy here and is above average with all of his work.
- I believe that Nathaniel Newton is an outstanding school. My daughter truly loves coming to school, she's got an amazing bond with her teacher, Mrs. Hickie and she always looks forward to seeing her. Also I am overwhelmed with her progress; she's done ever so well since joining especially with her mathematics and reading which is a pleasure to see. Also how she's developed into a young pupil and matured. I can't fault the school at all. She even loves the homework and misses school on weekends which proves how much she loves it here – it's her second home and she feels safe there. I can only thank all the staff at the school for that and definitely recommend the school to everyone as it's a great school.
- Our son has settled in well to his reception class. He is making great progress in both maths and English. We are very proud of him and his development. All the staff are so friendly and encouraging. Thank-you all so much.

Year 1

- I think one of the major positives about Nathaniel Newton is how there are so many reward schemes to praise good behaviour. It really encourages them to do well in many areas. A very friendly school with very kind and caring staff.
- My son loves attending this school and has grown in confidence since starting in reception. We are very happy with his progress in learning new things. Looking forward to what year 2 will bring.
- My daughter loves school and we are very happy with her progress over the last two years. Looking forward to what year 2 will bring.
- I wanted to make a special point about Mrs. Reynolds as she always tries to keep me informed and is a source of familiarity and stability for her class. I am very pleased despite numerous changes throughout the year with my daughter's progress at school. Despite a few negatives this year, I always feel like I can approach either Mrs. Reynolds or Mrs. Forsheew about any issues I have and they are always dealt with swiftly.
- My son enjoys coming to school to see his friends and all the new exciting things he will learn. He is enthusiastic about learning and his education, and I want to say thank-you to the school and staff here for all their help and helping my son be the best he can be!
- Good communication. Really happy and have no worries about any aspect of his schooling. Are you considering Maths no Problem or Power Maths?
- We are very happy with my daughter's progress and we think the school is excellent. We couldn't be happier.
- I can't speak more highly of Nathaniel Newton. Every member of staff I have come into contact with has been approachable and friendly. It is extremely evident that the teachers want the best for the children. My son has been given not only additional support for his academic learning but is also offered Yoga to try and calm his 'inner core' which I think is a brilliant method to use on children who struggle to stay still.
- The school is well brill. We have loved everything about it. Lots to do, school clubs, trips and discos. My child will miss his school – you have done wonders with him. He has needed lots of help and we hope he gets it at his new school. Thank-you all.
- It is lovely to see how much my daughter has progressed this year and excelling in certain subjects. She loves school and actually looks forward to Monday mornings. She has made a lovely group of friends and regularly updates us of what she has done and is doing at school.
- My child enjoys school and has a wide circle of friends and also enjoys the after school

clubs.

- Great school, fantastic staff, will recommend highly to friends and family.
- My daughter is really happy at school. It is a friendly school.
- We are really happy with this school and his teachers. I know they work really hard to provide stimulating and informative lessons.
- We think Nathaniel Newton is a fantastic school. The interventions and things to help children with a number of issues are brilliant. My son has loved the yoga sessions. It was lovely to hear that the log cabin is available at lunchtimes if he needed somewhere to go. Mrs. Barnes, Mrs. Fussey and Mrs. Taroni have been really kind and respectful towards my son and ourselves when dealing with some issues. We know how hard and frustrating it can be at times, but they are patient and understanding. We love all the theme days and non-uniform days but would prefer the suggested donation to be set to 50p. We are so pleased with the progress our son has made especially in reading. It's nice that they have had regular guided reading sessions since Christmas. Thank-you for having such a super school that really cares about each individual child.

Year 2

- I think the school has been brilliant for my daughter. She is going to miss everyone when she leaves. If there is ever an issue the school finds ways to solve it.
- Love the school and everyone in it. I'm going to be very sad that they leave this year. Fantastic school.
- My child is extremely happy at this school.
- My child is in his last year at this school. He has made great progress and enjoyed everything the school has had to offer. He has come on very well both socially and academically. I have found all the staff to be very approachable and friendly.
- My child enjoys school and learning new things, always surprised and happy with his progress.
- My child has thrived within Nathaniel Newton as did my eldest daughter. We have all loved the sessions that we have been invited to and we have watched our little girl grow and mature ready for junior school. We can't thank you all enough for all that you have done.
- I am very pleased from day one my child started the school. They put everything in place with all his extra support he needed and he has done very well with his progress. All the staff have been very fantastic with supporting my child and have kept me well informed. We both will really miss the school when he moves on.

- My son has excelled in school this year. I am very impressed with his progress.
- We have also been happy with the school. My child is doing very well and is always talking about her friends and that she will miss the school. She has come on very well despite all the personal upsets she has had. The school have been brill with her and helped her when needed. The headteacher is great – had many a meeting with her and she has looked out for both of my children. Will be sad for both of them to leave. Thank-you for all your help.
- The MyEd app is great. My son has really enjoyed his time at Nathaniel Newton and will be sad to leave. Thank-you for making the school great and giving my son a really good experience of his first few years at school.
- The school has always been great with my son. He works hard and feels happy and comfortable with all staff at the school.
- My son has done brilliantly at this school and enjoys going. He has loved the wide range of after school clubs and taking part when he can. As it is my son's last year at this school, we would like to say thank-you for all the hard work that the adults do to make their learning enjoyable. We will be sad for my son to leave this school and would recommend it to others. Thank-you
- Always happy with how my son is schooled at Nathaniel Newton. No complaints with how he is taught.
- We really love this school. My daughter is always happy in Nathaniel Newton Infant school and really loves her teachers. She does not want to leave in July, wants to stay here for Year 3 as well! Me as a parent, I am really pleased with all of the teachers we have had here. They have absolutely been kind with our daughter and have always helped us whenever we have had any questions.
- Overall I am extremely happy with Nathaniel Newton. Since starting in reception my son has made excellent progress and I have always had a good relationship with his teachers. The teaching staff are supportive of my son's educational and emotional needs. I would highly recommend Nathaniel Newton to other parents.
- I feel that the school communicates well with parents and the app is really handy.
- Special thanks to the teachers that they are really approachable and willing to meet you to talk to you if you do have any concerns.
- The new MyEd app I have found an excellent tool to use and stay in touch. Not sure whether this has the potential to add some information on your child's progress
- I feel Nathaniel Newton is a good school and my daughter has been really happy here, a credit to all the staff.

- Very good school with great communication with parents.

Areas parents feel need developing

Reception

- It would be nice to have a run down, maybe a letter to parents, of how the children have been doing in school that week or every two weeks as my son is not the best at telling me what he does at school.
- The only thing I have to say is that there is never enough places for all the children regarding discos.
- At lunchtimes my son has the same meal every day. This could be monitored better to make sure the children eat a varied lunch
- The only issue I find is my daughter coming home without cardigans and staff not knowing where they are. Luckily her friends mum realised and returned them.
- We would love to be able to sign in for any school clubs but places are very limited. Also we would like to have some music related clubs like dance, choir, music instrument learning etc.

Year 1

- Recently I was not informed that my son was pupil of the week and therefore missed the assembly.
- I do not feel as a parent that I have been kept up to date on the teacher situation. I feel the school has failed apart from 1 or 2 text messages to even tell me who my child's teacher is.
- My child is an intelligent child and sometimes needs to be pushed slightly to achieve a higher level of work. It is disappointing to hear that he can't move onto the next years' work in order to progress and be challenged. Homework could also be more challenging and adapted to his level. I know his teachers would challenge him if the curriculum allowed for it.
- We felt £1 to dress up on World Book Day made the £1 book voucher less of a treat especially after spending money on making the costume.
- Read, Write inc, seems to have made him good at phonics but some of the books are rather dull!
- My son likes this school but the lack of continuity within the class, particularly with his teacher concerns me. In my opinion the homework from reception was more challenging and more thorough considering it was a year group behind. Now and again my son has an issue with a child in his class. I feel that my son is undervalued for his good behaviour

whereas naughty children seem to get more rewarded for what little good behaviour is shown. In one respect I was disappointed that his class in year 1 was the same as reception. Core friends / close relationships kept but mix of children would've been more useful. I think this would help diversify and encourage more socialisation, thus readying them for their experience of class systems at junior school.

Year 2

- Some homework set over the holidays a bit too much for them to learn during the time off. But definitely good to help them continue to learn whilst off school.
- School crossing patrol should be brought back, if only to stop people parking on the zig zag yellow lines.
- My only concern is the small group of parents that meet every morning outside the school gates and deem it acceptable to smoke and use foul language. Whilst I understand there is no law that forbids smoking in public places, I don't wish to be exposed to this and certainly don't believe children should be.
- With regards to homework, some of the reading books my son brings home can be uninteresting and not engaging so we have started to read our own books together such as David Walliams or Roald Dahl.
- I know there have been some issues with parents parking on the zig zags outside school. Driving past a school in Bedworth the other day I noticed they were having blue posts fitted on the footpath where the zigzags were so no cars could be parked. Maybe an idea to look at.
- I think it would be good if we could get more frequent feedback on my child's performance. Three times a year doesn't feel enough especially if there were any issues in order to be able to rectify this.
- The parking outside of the school still remains an issue, is there an option to look at reappointing a lollipop lady as she seemed to do a great job at stopping people from parking on the yellow zigzags, or is there an option to have a teacher out there before school to prevent people from parking there.