ORGANISATION AND ADMINISTRATION

Parents associated for 4-6 Years 42 responses

Kindergarten : 3       Year 1 : 7       Year 2 : 7       Stage 2 : 19       Middle School : 24

Choosing MSPP

What are the most important factors that influenced your decision to send your children to MSPP?

Catholic Education : 22       Recommended by Family / Friends : 13
Quality of Education : 34       Impressed by Staff : 17
School’s Reputation : 30       Location : 21

Other Reason : 28 :-

Small School

Siblings at the College

Discipline/virtues/values : 3

Easy transition to the College

This is the school I attended and had a sentimental attachment to it

The school when I started had a great sense of community
Having chosen MSPP how would you rate your overall satisfaction with the school?

Satisfied : 41
Not satisfied : 1

Comments:

Very Satisfied 3

We are concerned at the rise in numbers of children being enrolled compared to when we started with the school. Our worry is that the family orientated environment and intimacy of a small school (a reason we came) will be lost.

At this point in time I feel the school exec. are more concerned with numbers and not the wellbeing of its long term families and students

Appreciate the value based learning and acknowledgement of success

Staff in leadership roles have gone the extra mile and it shows throughout the school

Nurturing environment 2

What do you see as the key focus of your child’s primary school education?

Solid foundation in reading/writing/maths 16
Social/life skills 12
Christian values 9
Secure /safe / stress free environment for learning 7
Building confidence to achieve the best of their ability/ positive environment 11
Be happy each day to go to school 5
The Catholic ethos of the school be upheld and embedded into the students school day
To feel a part of/sense of belonging 2
Exposure to art / science and music
SAFETY

Not satisfied 2  Satisfied 40

Comments:
Collection at assembly has caused confusion with child which ended up with him going with another parent
Teachers don’t listen to the students – the school is quick to label
Parking is a real issue
Safe road crossing needed
Bullying needs to be more closely monitored

DISCIPLINE

Not Satisfied 2  Satisfied 39

Comments:
Addressed efficiently and quickly
Not holistic enough – withdrawal system horrible – teachers give them out like lollies
Room for improvement – serious offenders MUST be treated first time with serious consequences – not just time out
Focus on trivial things rather than adverse behaviours occurring on the playground
Important to minimise the effects of disruptive children in class 2
Be good to see children doing something during detention/withdrawl time eg times tables
‘Dobbers’ are rewarded while children who aren’t don’t always get fair treatment in the process...

MERIT/AWARD SYSTEM

Not Satisfied 1  Satisfied 40

Comments:
Our children love to receive awards
Would like to see consistency across classes 2
Don’t really know how it works
More explanation of how the child earned the awards
Can have a negative effect on self esteem

Children feel proud of their achievements

Find that those not at the top are missed out for their personal achievements which can be significant for their confidence and future

Apparently much harder to get merits in Yr.6. Even if they’re mainly for the younger ones, older kids still like encouragement.

**ENROLMENT PROCEDURE**

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**Comments:**

Process good / professional / welcoming

It was the interview that concreted our decision to send our children to MSPP

Made to feel welcome by Judy however was disappointed when told that in future if one child from a family is coming to MSPP then all family members will have to. Doesn’t make sense and goes against Christian values....

**The transition program from Pre-School to Kindergarten?**

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**Comments:**

T-Shirts fantastic idea 2

Longer days in orientation

**The transition from another school ?**

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**Comments:**

Excellent

Buddy system worked well 3

The transition for my children a while ago was good but with what I am seeing now I wouldn’t send my children here.
Leadership and Organisation

What do you consider the school does well and what needs improvement?

Does Well:

Everything! 2
Follows its discipline policy 5
Innovative teachers & good facilities
Implement teaching strategies
Tidy presentation & improvements of school
Attention to detail / organised 2
Administrative 13
Spiritual 8
Educational 11
Communication 2
Assemblies – varied and concise
Disco!
Parental involvement in school 3
Availability of staff
Mini-vinnies – virtue of service
Consistent merit system
Dealing with problems 2
Participation in community events 2
Love the indigenous programme and keeping the awareness of reconciliation present
Respect
Variety of clubs
**Needs improvement:**

Sporting facilities & support at functions ie. Zone need a shade tent

School Uniform – better quality socks and hats 2

Music – kids do not bond with teacher and have been put off music

Parking 4

Fund raising – we can’t afford to give more

Discipline of bullying

No leadership training for sports captains

Communication between staff and office

More resources in relation to arts and music

Letting parents know if child is struggling in a particular area

Basic maths skills are lacking in comparison with other primary schools. Students are accelerated at the expense of learning the basics. Students are entering Yr7 without the skills necessary to complete required work. Do you expect this to be reflected in NAPLAN?

Permission letters need improvement

Communication between parents and class teachers – email?

Sense of community (bring it back)

Discipline policy

Program for Boys

Consistency across classes for awards

Less focus and anxiety over NAPLAN

Follow up for areas where child is having difficulty

School security

Struggling students needing extra help
Other comments:

All matters dealt with in an efficient and professional manner

Diaries not working – notes go unanswered

The school has proven the ability to change & grow in all aspects of organisation, education and make changes & adapt when things have a potential to work better. Take on feedback from parents and support parental interaction

Mixed classes mean some students have a teacher (or 2 ) multiple times which reduces the opportunity for fresh experiences and pedagogy. 

Numeracy/Maths teaching – structure?

Spelling teacher in line with current practice?

Parent forum communication

I have had nothing but support from the school

Do more emailing to reduce paper usage

Comments on day to day aspects of school life that directly affect you:

Info/presentation of Newsletter

|               | 0 Not Satisfied | 41 Satisfied |

Comments:

Very informative 2

Could this be emailed?

Frequency/Format of Newsletter

|               | 0 Not Satisfied | 41 Satisfied |

Comments:

Following up incidents in school

|               | 1 Not satisfied | 37 Satisfied |

Comments:

Parents aren’t informed if child is on detention

Excellent
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Informed of day to day events in the school

3 Not Satisfied  37 Satisfied

Comment:

Sometimes a bit last minute  4
Could be improved using diary
Most times very confusing

School use of technology with home eg. Calendar/moodle

2 Not Satisfied  37 Satisfied

Comment:

Mathletics a challenge as log in doesn't always work
Need more
Need more time spent on reading from books
Parents need better understanding of features

Please comment on any ORGANISATIONAL aspect of MSPP that you feel is important:

Organised  2
Informative
Open communication  3
More electronic communication with parents to streamline information giving.
Seems to be a team feeling amongst all staff
If you had to sum up MSPP in terms of organisational/administrative procedures, in a couple of short sentences what would you say?

Very organised 7

Friendly

Great school, would and have recommended it 2

Progressive and supportive 2

Room for improvement – lacking in sporting facilities support & follow up

Efficient 3

Evolving, staying current, open in regards to religious preference & inclusion to non-catholics – shows maturity.

Runs smoothly offering settled predictable routine

Admin excellent and quick, never too much trouble 3

Very happy with all areas

Very professional 2

Could do with improvement as school has grown, some procedures could be updated too

Proactive

Functional

Teachers and staff are caring and considerate to all family issues

New buildings look and feel so professional

Judy is a star

Good leadership which means things are done well

Like the open door policy