

Families First Quality Award

For Schools and SEND



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Platt Bridge School is a full extended primary school that is co-located with doctors, dentists, occupational therapy, physiotherapists etc. on the same site. The wider school network delivers teacher training, international work and includes a high school.

What attracted you to use the Families First Quality Awards?

Working with the awards enabled us to gain an external verification of what we do. We were judged Outstanding by Ofsted and we wanted to further demonstrate what we do, but also want to continually improve. We work closely with our local authority and wished to be recognised for the collaborative work we do; and have this checked against a national benchmark.

The assessment

We found the assessment process to be very clear and the standards easy to navigate. We had a conversation in our initial meeting with our assessor who supported us to identify evidence and was absolutely clear about the process, we developed a clear action plan. We planned and achieved the standard within three months and having this focus helped us.

What have you gained from using the Families First Quality Award?

It helped to clarify what we do and helped us to embed some practice.

How would you describe your experience?

The main advantage was it was not just about the school, it was about how we engage with our community. It also helps to identify some strategic areas and influence other partners.



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