

Swati's initial impression of St. Teresa's School was exceptionally positive, and the school has exceeded her and her husband's expectations

Their son, Krishna, is currently in Year 4.

Positive start

Krishna began his journey at St. Teresa's in Reception. As newcomers to Wokingham, his parents selected St. Teresa's based on the welcoming energy they felt when visiting the Open Day school event. "Krishna is very sociable; he has many friends and enjoys making new ones. His favourite subject is Maths, and he thoroughly enjoys the entire curriculum. He loves his teachers and the teaching assistants, who are approachable and proactive in addressing his needs. For instance, in Year 1, they provided valuable support with his reading," says Swati.

First Impressions and Open Days

"We researched several schools before selecting St. Teresa's. Being new to Wokingham, we aimed to make an informed decision, and the positive environment made a significant impact on us. My husband and I attended separate open days due to work, yet both of us left with the same positive impression about St. Teresa's. I appreciated that older students conducted the tours, showcasing a student-led open day," says Swati.

Engagement in Clubs and Activities

"Krishna has thoroughly enjoyed participating in various clubs and activities. He has taken part in chess club, explored 3D printing, and engaged in diverse activities, including Lego and football clubs.

Additionally, he has begun exploring different languages such as French. The school maintains a well-rounded balance between fun activities and learning," says Swati.

Emphasis on Good Citizenship

"The school teaches the children how to behave as good citizens and that's very important. I remember Krishna being awarded a 'Smiley' teachers give them out for all sorts of good behaviours. Krishna received his Smiley for helping someone when they had fallen and it's that kind of recognition that I think is very important," says Swati.

A Joyful Approach to Learning

"Learning is fun for Krishna. Although he sometimes downplays what he's learned, he often surprises us by sharing new things he's picked up at school. He doesn't view it as learning; he's simply having a great time. We are consistently impressed with his progress, and the feedback from his teachers boosts his confidence," says Swati.

Memorable Experiences

"Krishna took part in the Young Voices event, where over 8,000+ children came together to sing, and he thoroughly enjoyed participating. World Food Day was another highlight. Krishna was eager to represent India and delighted in sharing our culture.

He assisted at our table, serving Indian food to his friends, who especially enjoyed our chicken curry and rice. It was heartwarming to see everyone embrace the experience. The event wasn't about fundraising but rather sharing diverse cultures through food, a beautiful way to foster community spirit," says Swati.

Celebrating Cultures and Diversity

"St. Teresa's is a wonderful school, with excellent teachers and students. It fosters an inclusive environment that celebrates diversity. Krishna's name was added to the Golden Book for his presentation on Hinduism, showcasing Indian traditions and Holi festival. I now connect with parents whose children, inspired by Krishna's showcase, wish to participate in similar celebrations. The respect and understanding among students for various cultures is inspiring," says Swati.

Children say:

Krishna says: "I love going to school and meeting all my friends."

