

Dr Dipti Patil and her partner, Paul, live in Gateshead with their son, Neil, who is six years old.

Dipti's professional insight convinces her that only Riverside Primary Academy could have so effectively addressed her son's special educational needs

Transformation

"Neil has only been a pupil at Riverside Primary Academy for less than two years but in that time he has," says Dipti, made more progress than she could possibly have hoped. "I am quite sure that if it were not for Riverside, Neil would not be the happy, outgoing and confident little boy that he is today. When he first joined the Reception Class

he was very withdrawn, sometimes displaying attentionseeking behaviour, and would try to hide himself away. All that has changed, and I have enormous gratitude to his teachers who have helped bring about such a wonderful transformation."

Success Story

"He has been described as a success story by the school and other professionals, and that is very encouraging for a parent."

