



**INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS INSPECTORATE**

**STRATFORD PREPARATORY SCHOOL**

**EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE  
INTERMEDIATE INSPECTION**

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Full Name of School	<b>Stratford Preparatory School</b>
DfE Number	<b>937/6094</b>
EYFS Number	<b>EY 409397</b>
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Telephone Number	<b>01789 297993</b>
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Email Address	<b>secretary@stratfordprep.co.uk</b>
Head	<b>Mr Neil Musk</b>
Proprietor and Principal	<b>Mrs Catherine Quinn</b>
Age Range	<b>2 to 11</b>
Total Number of Pupils	<b>113</b>
Gender of Pupils	<b>Mixed</b>
Numbers by Age	<b>0-2 (EYFS): 9      5-11: 90 3-5 (EYFS): 14</b>
Head of EYFS Setting	<b>Mrs Sally Hill</b>
EYFS Gender	<b>Mixed</b>
Inspection dates	<b>7 and 8 October 2014</b>

## PREFACE

This inspection report follows the *ISI schedule* for intermediate inspections, focusing on the Early Years Foundation Stage. The inspection occurs over a period of two continuous days in the school. The previous ISI inspection was in October 2011.

The Independent Schools Inspectorate (ISI) is the body approved by the Secretary of State for the purpose of inspecting schools belonging to the Independent Schools Council (ISC) Associations and reporting on compliance with the Education (Independent School Standards) (England) Regulations 2010. ISI is also approved to inspect the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS), which was introduced in September 2008 and applies to all children in England from birth to 31 August following their fifth birthday. This report evaluates the extent to which the setting fulfils the requirements of the Early Years Foundation Stage Statutory Framework published by the Department for Education (DfE) and follows the requirements of the Childcare Act 2006 as subsequently amended.

The inspection of the school is from an educational perspective and provides limited inspection of other aspects, although inspectors comment on any significant hazards or problems they encounter which have an adverse impact on children. The inspection does not include:

- (i) an exhaustive health and safety audit
- (ii) an in-depth examination of the structural condition of the school, its services or other physical features
- (iii) an investigation of the financial viability of the school or its accounting procedures
- (iv) an in-depth investigation of the school's compliance with employment law.

Inspectors may be aware of individual safeguarding concerns, allegations and complaints as part of the inspection process. Such matters will not usually be referred to in the published report but will have been considered by the team in reaching their judgements.

## INSPECTION EVIDENCE

The inspectors observed lessons, conducted informal discussions with children and examined samples of work. They held discussions with the head, with all members of the EYFS staff, with the proprietor and with parents, observed before- and after-school care, attended registration sessions and an assembly. The responses of parents to pre-inspection questionnaires were analysed, and the inspectors examined regulatory documentation made available by the school.

### Inspectors

Mrs Ann Stranack

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Early Years Lead Inspector

Team Inspector for Early Years (Head of pre-prep, ISA school)