

## Developing outstanding practice

Current figures show only 17% of nurseries have achieved an Outstanding judgement from Ofsted while 80% of nurseries have a Good judgement.

### How can more nurseries become Outstanding?

Here are NDNA's five top tips:

- 1. Exceptional leadership = outstanding practice:**  
The inspection framework emphasises the impact of leaders' work in developing and sustaining an ambitious culture and vision in the setting
- 2. Staff are the most essential ingredient to achieving outstanding practice:**  
It is essential that any staff team works together well. They must all share the nursery's ethos, vision and commitment to quality of practice
- 3. Ensure a continuous cycle of improvement:**  
A nursery must reflect, evaluate and improve. Clear action plans based on reflection and data, nominated staff taking responsibility, reasonable timeframes for completion and evaluation of their effectiveness will lead to continuous improvement
- 4. Monitor the quality of the teaching:**  
Leaders and managers regularly monitoring and reviewing teaching and interactions, including facilitating peer observations will lead to shared expectations for the quality of teaching
- 5. Develop meaningful two-way relationships with parents:**  
Research shows the importance of involving parents in a child's learning through authentic partnership and providing strategies for strengthening learning and development between home and the setting.



### Find out more

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