



9th June 2021

TRANSITION INTO RECEPTION

Dear Parent/Carer,

Your child has been allocated a place in Reception for September 2021. Due to Covid-19, our usual transition plans have been amended again this year and we are sadly unable to welcome Parents/Carers into school. This letter will give you an outline of the transition events planned and will give you some guidance about what to expect. The paperwork which accompanies this letter should be completed and returned to school when you come to visit us at school on 29th June. You will be given a copy of our school brochure which gives more detailed information about school during your visit.

Tuesday 29th June 2021 at 3.30pm– 4.30pm

You are invited, along with your child, to attend this meeting to meet your child's teacher and all the other staff in Early Years, and to find out a little bit more about our school.

Please come to the main entrance at school and bring a mask. **Please note that dependent upon restrictions in place at the time, some of this event may take place outside so please dress appropriately.**

Your child's class

From September 2021, we will be operating an Early Years Foundation Stage Unit (EYFS Unit) comprising of Nursery and Reception children. Your child will be in Class 1. Mrs Fagan and Mrs Johnson will be your child's class teachers. Mrs Jackson, Mr Patey and Mrs Wilson will also support in this class.

Transition events

Monday 5th July and Tuesday 6th July 2021

Your child will spend the morning in their new class with his/her teacher. Please drop your child off at 9.15am and pick up at 11.15am from the main entrance at school.

Wednesday 7th July 2021

Your child will spend the whole day in their new class and will be given a free school lunch. Please drop your child off at 9.15am at the main entrance and pick up at 2.15pm from the Nursery entrance of our EYFS Unit.

Starting date and times in September 2021

Your child will start school on Thursday 2nd September 2021. We will continue to operate our one-way system, with parents arriving between 8.45am and 9am. Please bring your child to the Nursery entrance of our EYFS Unit between 8.45am and 9am. Your child should be collected between 3pm and 3.15pm from the same place. *Please see the video on our website which shows where each door is if you are unsure.* <https://www.southstanley-inf.durham.sch.uk/new-classes-2021-2022/>





School Uniform

Wearing school uniform has many benefits for children. Amongst other things it fosters a sense of belonging and also a sense of pride in their school.

Pupils are required to wear uniform from Nursery upwards. Our uniform consists of:

- ▶ Blue or white shirt/blouse/polo shirt
- ▶ Plain black or grey trousers (no stripes or logos. Jeans, jogging bottoms or leggings are not permitted)
- ▶ Plain black or grey skirt or blue gingham dress
- ▶ Royal blue or navy sweatshirt/cardigan
- ▶ Any sensible flat, sturdy shoes or trainers which are completely black (no logos)

School jumpers can be purchased by logging onto Tots2Teams <https://totstoteams.com/> whilst plain blue jumpers, trousers and polo shirts can be bought locally.

Your child will be provided with a bagged PE kit (shorts and t-shirt), parents are asked to provide plimsolls. PE kits will be sent home at the end of each half term to be washed and returned after the holiday. **Earrings are not permitted to be worn in school.**

Our promise to you. We will...

- ▶ Treat your little one as if they were our own.
- ▶ Let you know if your child has been upset, had an accident or just seems 'out of sorts'.
- ▶ Keep you up to date with your child's progress.
- ▶ Keep you informed of events happening in Reception and across school.
- ▶ Treat your child as a unique individual who we want to feel settled and happy in their first experience of school.

What we would like from you...

- ▶ Ensure you keep us informed about anyone different who may be picking your child up.
- ▶ Ensure that you keep us informed if your child has been upset or there are any changes in your child's life.
- ▶ Let us know if your child is going to be absent for any reason.
- ▶ Ensure that your child wears school uniform.
- ▶ Talk to us first if you have any concerns or worries.
- ▶ Ensure that your child attends Reception every session possible.
- ▶ Help your child to complete reading and homework tasks.

Please do contact us at school if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,



L Thompson
Headteacher

