



HARNHAM INFANT SCHOOL

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Friday 19th April 2024

Dear Parents, Families and Children,

Firstly, I would like to thank you for choosing Harnham Infant School and welcome you to our thriving school community. Our school is a happy and caring place where we value and support the uniqueness of every child, take account of diversity and promote equality and inclusion, to enable all to succeed. We are passionate about delivering a broad, balanced, interesting and fun curriculum and we are excited to start this learning journey with you and your child.

This letter is to give you further details about all of the transition events we have planned for you and your child before they officially start school. You can find important dates and details below. I can assure you that this has been carefully planned to ensure a great start to your child's school journey, whilst meeting their individual needs too.

At the moment, the only details that we have for you are your names, addresses and email addresses. We are keen to begin communicating with you regularly and would appreciate it if you could tell us a few more details by completing the form attached to this link:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=oiJAfbKsxxkK0IQENP_WB2wLgcWZebQJLpYedJ64QI-5UNEVRSEk4S00xMTU2WDIGMIBGWUqySIQxUi4u

This is to give us information about pre-schools and nurseries, friendship groups, any medical needs for example, as well as find out about any initial questions that you may have.

If, for any reason you have difficulty accessing the link, please email classof2024@harnham-inf.wilts.sch.uk and let us know.

Along with the letter from Miss Dorrington, you will also find some instructions on how to use Seesaw, our online learning platform, as well as a unique Seesaw code for your child. Each week, we will upload some information to Seesaw for you and your child to enable you to get to know our school, our staff team and the other children in their year group.

As well as getting to know you via Seesaw, we have made the following plans and dates for transition activities for you and your child. Please put the dates in your diary – we are so excited to see you!

- ❖ From **Wednesday 5th June** – please collect your child's starting school pack from the school office. The information pack will confirm your child's class, their teacher and the specific time slots for their transition visits. It will also contain lots of useful information for parents.
- ❖ **Monday 10th June, 7.00pm** – Welcome to our school – information evening for parents. Please note – this meeting is going to be held online using TEAMS – the log in link will be emailed out to you.
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- ❖ **Thursday 27th June, morning** – Forest School session – parents are invited to accompany their child to our Forest School for their initial get-together. The specific time for this event will be included in your child's starting school pack (available from 7.6.24)
- ❖ **Friday 5th July, time tbc** – Workshop in the school hall – parents are invited to accompany their child to our school hall to take part in some fun activities with their new class friends. The specific time for this event will be included in your child's starting school pack (available from 7.6.24)
- ❖ **Tuesday 9th July, morning** – Visit to the classroom – children are invited to come to school to visit their classroom with their class teacher. Tea and Coffee will be provided for parents in the hall and to get to know other parents or chat to a member of the Senior Leadership Team, who will be available to answer any questions you may have. The specific time for this event will be included in your child's starting school pack (available from 7.6.24)
- ❖ **Wednesday 4th, Thursday 5th and Friday 6th September** – Home visits. Teachers and Teaching Assistants will come and visit the children in their home environments. The specific date and time for this will be given to you at workshop in the hall event on 5.7.24.
- ❖ **Monday 9th September** – Children are invited to begin attending school, full time. (Part time options can be discussed with the class teacher on an individual basis)

We are looking forward to starting this exciting journey with you and your families, please be assured that a smooth and enjoyable transition is our top priority. We will work together to ensure the best start to your child's school experience.

I look forward to hearing from you when completing the online form or via email shortly.

With best wishes,

Mrs Laura Pike

Deputy Headteacher and Inclusion Leader

