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Pre-School

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Dear Parents,

We are delighted that your child will be joining us at Brampton Village Primary School in September 2020. This letter informs you about the induction programme for our new Reception children which will be different from previous years due to the current guidelines on social distancing and which may be subject to change at short notice. We will be putting all of the relevant information on our website which is www.brampton.cambs.sch.uk and then use the 'September 2020 Reception' tab at the top. It is important that we have an email address provided so that we can contact you as appropriate. Please return the Admission Form to the school office by Friday 5" June.

Induction Arrangements Pre-September

Transition from pre-school settings

Reception teachers will collect transition information about our new children, such as friendship groups, from preschool staff. This information enables us to sort the children into class groups and make appropriate preparation for our new children. Once children have been allocated into classes, class teachers aim to visit pre-school settings to observe children in an environment where they are confident, and support transition to school. Please be aware although every effort is made, that it is not always possible to visit every one of the feeder pre-school settings. **Contact will be made even if visits are not possible due to current guidelines.**

Welcome For New Parents

A video will be made available on the school website (using the link above) to all parents from Wednesday 10th June which will include all of the information that would normally be shared at our **Welcome Evening.** This will include details about how we can all work together to help your child make a confident start in school and support their learning. Parents will be informed about the class into which their child will be going and have an opportunity to meet the Reception teachers for 2020-2021 and we are planning to do this virtually through Zoom if coming into school is not possible.

Getting to Know You

We usually hold a number of 'Getting to Know You' sessions where children are invited to come into our Reception classrooms to meet members of the Reception team. As this may not be possible the teachers will provide a short 'video tour' of the classrooms and Reception area.

Transition Morning

If social distancing measures allow we would like the children to join their new teacher during the morning of **Thursday 2nd July** when all of our children across the school will be moving up to their next class. This session is two hours long, starting at 9.30am and finishing at 11.30am. If it goes ahead please bring children to the green gate, near the main entrance, and a member of staff will come and greet you and take you to the Reception classrooms. A member of staff will open the gate at 11.30am so you can collect your child from their new classroom. For this session we hope that most children will be ready to stay, without adult support, once settled.

Starting School – September 2020

We look forward to supporting your child with transition to school and working together to help them make a happy and confident start.

We would like to schedule some home visits to take place during on the 7th, 8th and 9th of September but this is only if guidelines allow. If visits are not possible we would look to schedule some online meetings with you and your child.

Our September induction arrangements are outlined in the table below. Children will **start school full time week beginning 14**th **September as follows:**

Monday 7 th -11 th September	Home Visits and Parent/Child Workshops	
Monday 14 th - Wednesday 16 th September	Birthdays March to August 8.45 – 3.05 am (Full Time including lunch)	Birthdays September- February Not due to start yet
Thursday 17 th and Friday 18 th September	Birthdays March to August Continue to attend all day	Birthdays September- February 8.45 – 3.05 am (Full Time including lunch)
From Thursday 17 th September all children will have started school full time. Most children will be ready for this, however if you would prefer your child to have a more gradual start at school please talk to your child's teacher.		

School Lunches

Children can have a free school meal once they start full time during the week beginning 14th September, unless you would prefer to provide a packed lunch. We will ask you to give an indication as to whether your child will be taking up school meals at a later date.

We aim to give the children the best possible start at Brampton and trust that this will be the beginning of a happy and successful partnership between your family and the staff at Brampton Village Primary School. The circumstances are very different at present and we will all need to be flexible as guidance is updated, meaning that some sessions may be changed at short notice.

We look forward to meeting you and working with you.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Peter Allen

Headteacher