



26th June 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Transition for Reception Children

Ordinarily, we would now be writing to you to invite you in to a number of events and meetings. However, due to the current situation this is not possible. As I am sure you will appreciate as a school, we have had to adapt rapidly over the past few weeks. It is definitely an unusual and challenging time at the moment, and we know you and your child might be feeling worried about the transition into Reception this September. We want to reassure you that we are here for you every step of the way. Starting school is a milestone for both you and your child. It is a time to be celebrated. Whilst we understand that current measures make this more difficult, we will do everything we can to ensure it stays a positive experience for everyone. In order to follow the Government's guidelines on social distancing, we've had to adjust our arrangements for supporting this year's transition.

Our current plans include:

Week Commencing 6th July 2020 – Miss Morton Early Years Lead will telephone all parents/carers to discuss preparation for September. We shall use contact details provided at the time of application – if these have changed please let us know as soon as possible on 01543 421850.

Week Commencing 31st August 2020 - We would like to invite you and your child to a 'stay and play and school dinner session'. This will give you and your child the opportunity to meet the staff, explore the classroom and to try one of our school dinners before your child starts school. These sessions will be held on:

- 10:00am – 12:15pm Thursday 3rd September or
- 10:00am – 12:15pm Friday 4th September.

During your telephone conversation with Miss Morton, she will book your attendance at one of the 'stay and play and school dinner' sessions.

Friday Acre, Lichfield, Staffordshire, WS13 7HJ
T: 01543 421850 E: office@chadsmead.staffs.sch.uk





Week Commencing 7th September 2020 – Your child will start school full time.

Please find enclosed, ready for September, information that is required by school. The envelope includes:

- *Data Collection Sheet (Blank for new children to school, existing children their data collection forms need to be reviewed, signed and returned)*
- *Collection Arrangements Form*
- *Consent Form for Recording and Use of Images*
- *Come Dine With Us*
- School Term Dates
- Reception Information Booklet
- My Ed Leaflet
- School Ready Checklist

The forms highlighted in **BLUE** need to be completed and returned to the school office as soon as possible. Once your child starts at school we will need a copy of their birth certificate, if you haven't already brought one in.

Until we get to meet you all, please take care and stay safe. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact school.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Grainger'.

Mrs G Grainger
Headteacher