

19 June 2020

Dear parents/carers,

We are writing to update you on your child's transition process for the upcoming academic year.

As you are aware, primary schools began to gradually reopen to EYFS, Year 1 and Year 6 pupils from Monday 1st June. In line with Government advice, our children have been taught in smaller class sizes and within "bubbles". Government guidance also stipulates that parents will not be allowed onto the school premises in order to prevent the spread of the Covid-19 virus. Because of these measures, the face-to-face part of your child's transition process is affected and I am writing to provide you with further information on this.

We have therefore made the decision to cancel the planned parent information event and the transition session your child was invited to. We will, however, move to a virtual model of transition to support your child's first steps into Akroydon Primary Academy. In doing so, it will ensure that your child does not miss out on an effective transition for this exciting chapter in their lives.

The transition model will consist of the following:

- Welcome Booklets which were sent out at the end of April
- Mrs Greenwood, a member of our pastoral team, has already contacted your child's current setting to find out a little bit more about your child

From Tuesday 23rd June, a page dedicated to Reception transition will be available on our school website. This will be accessible under Key Information. Here, you will have access to:

- A pre-recorded EYFS Parent's Information PowerPoint. This will contain information about the EYFS curriculum and key information regarding school uniform and routines.
- Handy tips for parents to help you prepare your child for starting school, including activities to complete at home for you to share with your child.
- A section dedicated for you to be able to ask any questions you may have.
- A link to complete all the necessary information before your child joins us. You may have already completed this form, but we have provided the link of the website just in case you have not done this yet.



You will then find out which class your child will be in at the start of week commencing Monday 29th June. During this week, you will also receive:

- A welcome video from your child's class teacher which you can share with your child
- A phone call from your child's class teacher so they are able to introduce themselves and ask any questions you might have.

We look forward to connecting with you over the next term, as we prepare for the start of your child's learning journey with us.

Rest assured, you will be provided with all the information you need and we understand that there are lots of questions parents and carers may have. We encourage you to use the "Ask a question" facility on the reception transition page of our website and remember, you can always contact us at admin@akroydon.trinitymat.org.

Link to the transition page: https://akroydon.trinitymat.org/key-info/reception-transition/

Many thanks,

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