

8th June 2022

Dear Parents,

We hope your son/daughter is looking forward to starting school. Some may be excited about the start, while others will feel apprehensive, this is perfectly normal and to be expected. It is our intent that the children have a broad and balanced curriculum that will enable them to become independent learners, having the courage to try new things, the perseverance to keep trying, showing compassion towards others, where friendship, respect and truthfulness are equally valued, therefore embracing our school motto —Positive Minds, Positive Futures. We have high expectations for all the children, which will enable each child to develop personally, socially, emotionally, spiritually, physically, creatively and intellectually as individuals and where they can strive to reach their full potential.

In order to support your child's transition into school. Your child will be allocated a buddy. The buddy is a pupil from Year 5, who will be there to support your child when they first join the school for break in the playground and at dinnertime. There are also various times over the academic year that the buddies work with the foundation children, for example, they make games and write books to share with them.

Your child's Buddy this year is

In the pack you will also have a letter regarding **Tapestry**. Tapestry is the online learning journal that we use during the school year, allowing you to see some of the activities your child has been doing. Any homework will also be put on here so it is a very useful way of communicating with parents. You will need to consent to the use of tapestry and this can be done by completing the form in your child's pupil information booklet.

As previously shared, we will be holding meetings with parents on **Friday 9**th **September between 1:00pm-4:30pm** and also on **Monday 12**th **September between 1:00pm-4:30pm**. You will be signing up for an appointment on the new intake evening of **Thursday 23**rd **June 2022**.

Play and stay sessions for children and parents:

Families will be invited to attend a stay and play session on Wednesday 6th July 2022. If your child is in group A, you will be invited to attend from 9:00am- 10:15am. Group B will be invited to attend from 2:00pm- 3:15pm.

We are looking forward to your child starting their learning journey with us and are looking forward to seeing them as a class very soon.

Kind Regards

Mrs Such -ClassTeacher Miss Spearing – Class Teaching Assistant (Monday-Thursday)

Mrs Prichard- Class teaching assistant (Friday)