



Reception 2020

Dear Parents,

We are looking forward to the children joining our Reception Classes in September. Arrangements are set out below. As you would expect arrangements are very different to previous years and unfortunately, we have missed opportunities for early transition activities but we will catch up very soon.

We have also been working very hard to implement guidance with regards to making our school as safe as possible with regards to COVID 19. **The COVID 19 procedures are attached. Please read very carefully.**

To help us make our school as safe as possible *everybody* has a part to play, COVID Safe Procedures *must* be followed. **By sending your child to school during this period, you are agreeing to follow our COVID Safe Procedures:**

'Arrangements for starting Reception'

'Getting to know you phone calls' - Wednesday 3rd September/Thursday 4th September

Staff will contact families by phone to replace our usual face to face meetings we normally have on Wednesday, 3rd September and Thursday, 4th September.

Play session - Friday, 4th September

We have arranged for small groups of Reception children to join play sessions prior to starting school. This will also help families become familiar with our school site prior to the Transition Week. Your child is invited to join one of our play sessions on **Friday, 4th September**. Our staff are looking forward to greeting the children in preparation for them starting Reception.

Please enter the site via All Saints Road gate and make your way to the Foundation Stage area – staff will be positioned around the site to direct and help. Please exit via Sutton Wood Road gate.

Transition Week: Week beginning 7th September

We have arranged for children to attend school each morning or afternoon during **week beginning 7th September** to support their transition to full time education within their new setting.

Full time School: Week beginning 14th September

The children will start their full-time education **week beginning 14th September**. The children should arrive at **9.05am** each day and should be collected from school at **3.25pm**. (Please note the school times have been adjusted to accommodate staggered starts across all year groups re COVID 19.)

All infant children are entitled to a free school meal (universal infant free school meals). We would encourage all families to take up our school meal offer. Children will enjoy their meals together whilst enjoying a healthy, balanced diet (as recommended by the National School Food Standards).

Please refer to our COVID 19 SAFE PROCEDURES@STOCKTON WOOD document which sets out our procedures in more detail.

Each family has been sent a letter which names their child's class teacher and class and sets out the times of each session for their child.

Check out the school website and Twitter for our 'Hello Goodbye' video where children will be able to meet their new class teacher:

<https://stocktonwoodprimary.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Hello-Good-Bye.mov>

All classes are chosen carefully to ensure children's needs are met and every child has the opportunity to make good progress. Classes are made of equal numbers of boys and girls and a range of abilities. Sometimes classes are reorganised as classes progress through the school to ensure the best provision possible.

We are so pleased that we can finally welcome the children to school and they can start their exciting learning journey at Stockton Wood and lay the foundations for life.

Yours sincerely,
S.E.Price (Mrs.)
Head teacher
15.7.20

Dates for Academic Year

Autumn Term 2020

Term starts: Wednesday, 2nd September
Half Term holiday: **Monday, 26th to Friday 30th October**
Term ends: Friday 18th December
Christmas Holidays: **Monday 21st December to Friday 1st January 2021**

Spring Term 2021

Starts: Monday 4th January
Half term holiday: **Monday 15th to Friday 19th February**
Term ends: Friday 26th March
Easter Holidays: **Monday 29th March to Friday 9th April**

Summer Term 2021

Starts: Monday 12th April
Bank Holiday: **Monday 3rd May**
Staff Training Day: Friday, 28th May (School closed)
Half Term holiday: **Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June**
Term Ends: Friday, 16th July
*1 further training day to be confirmed.

