

Winwick CE Primary School

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Dear Parents/ Carers,

We are thrilled to hear from Warrington Borough Council that your child has been allocated a place in our **September 2020 Reception class**. We hope that he/she will have a happy and successful time at our school and we look forward to welcoming you all into the community of Winwick CE.

Starting school is a very exciting time but can also be quite stressful; we wish to make it as easy and straightforward as possible for you and your child. For lots of information on our uniform, school lunches/ snack money, after school and breakfast clubs etc. please visit our school website and see the School Prospectus and other key information pages. If you require a hard copy of any of this information, or cannot find something you need, please email the school office to organise getting this to you or answering any questions winwick primary@warrington.gov.uk

During the next term we would usually be inviting you and your child into school for transition days, as well as giving you opportunities to meet with our current Reception children and their parents and have any questions answered. We would also be going out visiting your child in their nursery setting and meeting with their Key workers to discuss how your child learns and see how well they are doing on their Early Learning Goals. As well as this we would also be coming to your homes and meeting you and your child in their home environment as this is where they are usually most at ease and where we often find out most about your child, you as parents and your wider family. All of these activities combined really help us to get a whole picture of your child and enable us to nurture and support them to the very best when they start with us at the beginning of the year. From our experience, the more we know about your child, and the family, the easier the transition is into school.

Also during this time we would be giving some advice on how best to prepare your child for school. This powerpoint, and all other information, will be available on our website under the **New to Reception 2020** tab so please see this section.

Unfortunately this year, we are in slightly different circumstances with our school currently closed for the majority of pupils until further notice. I would like to assure you that we will keep in touch with your child and the family during this time. We will arrange all/some of the above things when we open again and will be in touch as soon as we can. If it looks like we will not be back before the summer holidays, we will try to arrange something different so we can still get to know your child, and you, before we meet properly.

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If you wish to keep up with everything we are doing during this closure, please visit our school website under the SCHOOL CLOSURE section to see lots of resources which can support you and your child. I would also recommend following us on Facebook 'Winwick Primary School PTFA' page. You will really get a feel for what we are about and see all the super things everyone is doing during the Stay at Home period.

What to do next...

Usually, we send lots of letters and forms to be completed with this welcome letter from the team. This year we would like you to access these from our website directly under the **New to Reception** 2020 tab. You can then download these, complete them electronically and return to us via email on winwick_primary@warrington.gov.uk

Within your return email we need you to state your name, your child's name, the best phone number to contact you on and the preferred email address you would like us to use moving forward. Attach the completed Data Collection Form, Consent Form, Home/ school agreement form, and Link Club form if needed, and we can get everything ready behind the scenes for your child to start with us. These completed forms and relevant information need to be emailed to school by Monday 18th May please. Also, if your child has an additional needs or you think they may struggle with the transition please note down anything that also may be relevant. If you cannot do any of this please email us and we will endeavour to organise something with you individually.

If you wish to order uniform ready then visit the Touchline website and the Uniform Order form can be completed online.

On behalf of the whole Winwick CE team, we look forward to meeting you and your child very soon and urge you to get in touch via email if there is anything at all you wish to clarify or any questions you have. During the closure there is no one manning the school phones so please email us and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

Stay safe during this time and we wish you, and all your family, the very best.

Kindest regards,

Mrs Sue Dymond Headteacher

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