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Dear Parents and Carers,

Further to my letter on 26th April, please find below further information on the transition sessions we have organised for your child prior to them starting with us in September.

New Parent Information Evening- THURSDAY 6th JULY 6.30pm-7.30pm

Come along and meet the team, have a look around the learning environment and meet some of the new parents. Lots of information is given during the evening about what the day looks like in Reception and the curriculum, uniform, snack, and lots more. Please note this session is for parents only and will be held in the school hall. Please come via the main entrance.

Stay and Play sessions - MONDAY 10th JULY 2.30pm - 3.00pm or TUESDAY 11th JULY 2.30pm - 3.00pm

You will be able to sign up to 1 of these sessions for you and your child to attend. I will send out a link to sign up in the coming weeks. This session will be in the Reception classroom and will give you a chance to talk to the staff and for your child to familiarise themselves with our indoor and outdoor learning space. Please wait by the middle gate to the left of the car park and we will come to open the gate at 2:30pm. If you are running late, please come to the main entrance as the middle gate will be locked after a few minutes.

Swap Day- THURSDAY 13th July 9.30am-11.30am

All Herts schools participate in transition morning; each year group shuffles up and spends the morning with their new teacher. Drop off and collection will be at the middle gate where an adult will be waiting for you. Please send your child with a named water bottle, sunhat and coat if necessary. If your child has an











inhaler or other medical equipment this must be in school, and we must have the medical forms completed and returned before then. Please note this session is for children only.

<u>Home Visits and Mornings Only- MONDAY 4th- FRIDAY 15th SEPTEMBER</u> 2023

In order for a supportive start offering your child the chance to settle and get to know their new environment, staff and peers, the children start mornings only including lunch 8.45am - 12.30pm for the first 2 weeks and the staff complete home visits in the afternoon. Home visits are a great way for you and your child to get to know the Class Teacher and TA and for you to have the 1:1 time in the privacy of your own home to ask questions. Your home visit time and date will be sent out via email after new parents evening. In order to fit them in I need to plan the time slots around where you live so unfortunately there is little flexibility with the dates, however, if your date is a real problem please email me and I will try to see if we can find a solution.

Phonics and Early Reading Information Evening- DATE TO BE CONFIRMED FOR SEPTERMBER 2023

Each year we hold a phonics evening to share with you the methods and strategies we use to teach your child to read and how you can support this at home. This is such a valuable workshop even if you have attended previous phonics evenings for children in older years.

We look forward to seeing you on Thursday 6th July for our New Parent Information Evening you are unable to attend could you call the office so we can arrange a time for you to collect your information pack. Please note this session is for parents only.

Kind regards

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Mrs Will Reception Teacher EYFS Lead RE Lead