



# Headlands Community Primary School

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## INVITATION TO WELCOME MEETING

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to offer a warm welcome to Headlands Primary School. We are really looking forward to meeting everyone who is due to join us for the first time this September, as well as those that are already an important part of our school family.

We would like to invite parents only to a special **'Welcome Meeting'** on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 5.00 p.m. – 6.00 p.m. in the School Hall. This meeting is informal and is aimed at providing you with the opportunity to meet other parents, learn about the school, find out about the transition process, meet the members of staff and help prepare your child for school. There will also be the opportunity to collect a free book bag for your child, which has very kindly been purchased by the PTA.

During this summer term, the class teachers will begin their transition process, which will include visiting pre-school settings, as well as inviting you to our 'taster' session at school. This will take place on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, which is our whole school transition day. The children will be split into two equal groups and are invited to attend one of the following two sessions, which will be held from 9:15am – 10:25am and 10:45am – 11.55am. Further details will follow.

### You are also invited to join us for our:

- PTA Summer Fair on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 3:45 - 5:15pm where you will be able to meet parents and teachers, as well as join in the fun! There will be a wide range of stalls, games and BBQ.
- EYFS/Key Stage 1 Sports Day with a special New Starters race. This is held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July 10.00am with a reserve date of Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July 10.00am weather pending. Please park on the roadside giving consideration to local residents.
- Teddy Bear's Picnic on the school field (weather pending) – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 1.30pm – 3pm.

We also have a designated section on our school website for the parents of new Reception children due to start in September. This can be found in the 'Admissions' section of the school website under 'New Starters in Reception':

<https://www.headlandsprimary.org.uk/page/?title=Admissions&pid=25>

Within this section of the website, you will find lots of advice about how to support your child with their transition to primary school for you to read and review at your leisure. This includes:

- Information about the class teachers and teaching assistants who work in the Reception classes

- Photographs and a short video to help your child familiarise themselves with the early years and school environment.
- Information about the school day
- Information about the Early Years Foundation Stage
- A list of children's books to support transition
- Pre-recorded stories read by members of the EYFS team for the children to listen to at home
- A Powerpoint featuring essential key information about starting school.

### **Transition Dates in September 2024**

In September, we will begin our formal transition programme into school to ensure a positive start to the year. Here are the proposed dates and times. A letter with further details will be provided nearer the time.

<b>Transition Opportunities for New Reception Children in September 2024</b>	
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	<b>Training Day</b>
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September	9:30am – 11:30am
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September	9:30am – 11:30am
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> September	8.45am – 1.30pm (lunch)
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> September	8.45am – 3.25pm

### **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September - Morning Session with School Lunch**

On Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September, all Reception children are invited to spend the morning in school with their class and to stay for a free school lunch. Alternatively, your child may choose to bring a pack lunch from home.

We hope this letter provides you with an overview of forth-coming events and opportunities to support transition into school. Further correspondence will be made in due course.

We look forward to welcoming you to our school and hope that your child will be very happy here. If you require any further information, please refer to the school website or contact the School Office.

Best wishes,

Mrs Elizabeth Neville  
(EYFS Leader at Headlands Primary School)