

ST CHAD'S PATCHWAY CE VC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Re: New Reception Class Transition

Dear Parents and Carers

We are delighted to have received confirmation from South Gloucestershire County Council that you have been offered a reception place for your child for admission to our school in September 2021.

Everyone here at St Chad's Patchway C.E. Primary welcomes you and your family to our school and wish you a long and fruitful relationship with us. It is our intention to work in partnership with you in order to provide the very best all round educational opportunities for your child.

Each year, we organise a number of activities to inform parents and carers about starting school. Of course, this year we need to be mindful of our Covid-19 risk assessment and Government guidelines. Below, you will find further details about the activities that we hope you will be able to participate in.

On **Wednesday 23rd June (8.30am – 5.00pm)**, there will be a drop-in virtual opportunity to meet class teachers Mrs Player and Miss Lewis in a virtual meeting. Please call the school office if you wish to book a 10 minute appointment via TEAMS. There will be a further opportunity for you to come into the classroom in September (Mrs Player and Miss Lewis will organise this with you).

Stay and Play

Group	Nursery/Pre-school currently being attended	Stay and Play date – only 1 adult to attend with the child please
Group 1	Brightsparks Ambourne House Patchway Pre-school and tots	Thursday 1 st July, 4-4.30



Group 2	Playstation Nursery Halley Nursery UWE Woodland House Little Rainbows Happy Days Mama Bears, Great Park Road Woodpeckers Nursery	Wednesday 7 th July, 4-4.30
Group 3	Little Gems Child minders No pre-school St Chad's Pre-school Banana Moon	Thursday 8 th July, 4-4.30

Teddy Bears picnic

Group	Nursery/Pre-school currently being attended	Teddy Bears Picnic date (St Chad's will provide a picnic box for each person). Please notify us if you wish to attend and let us know any allergies. Only 1 adult to attend with the child please.
Group 1	Brightsparks Ambourne House Patchway Pre-school and tots	Wednesday 14 th July, 4-4.30
Group 2	Playstation Nursery Halley Nursery UWE Woodland House Little Rainbows Happy Days Mama Bears, Great Park Road Woodpeckers Nursery	Thursday 15 th July, 4-4.30
Group 3	Little Gems Child minders No pre-school St Chad's Pre-school Banana Moon	Friday 16 th July, 4-4.30

If your child's nursery/pre-school isn't listed, please call the school office and we will let you know which group they are in. Unfortunately, at this current time, we are only able to accommodate **1 adult** to attend with each child and we require prior notification that you would like to attend so that we can ensure that our risk assessment is met. Please note that all adults will be required to wear a face covering and maintain a social distance during the sessions.



We hope that these opportunities will allow the children time to familiarise themselves with the school. Your child will get the opportunity to meet our team of adults who will work with them in the coming year, including the Teachers (Mrs Player and Miss Lewis) and two of the Teaching Assistants, Lynsey and Mrs Rogers, who your child will get the opportunity to work with throughout the school year.

Mrs Player and Miss Lewis will job share. Miss Lewis will work on a Monday, Tuesday and Mrs Player will teach the class on a Wednesday, Thursday, Friday.

Mrs Player, Miss Lewis and the team will meet with you at the green gates outside the office entrance at 4.00pm for the Stay and Play and Picnic – this is the usual drop off point at the start of a school day.

Mrs Player and Miss Lewis are busy creating videos for you to watch providing any information you will need. This will include, but not be limited to general information about the school, admission arrangements for September, examples of our school uniform, PE kit and book bags. There will be a chance to buy a new book bag provided by the Friends at a subsidised cost of £2.00 (you can buy these bags in September as well). There will also be videos of staff introducing themselves, sharing stories, a school tour and phonics activity.

The virtual meeting on 23rd June is where we talk in detail about starting dates and times. The overall aim of the meeting and videos is to give you all the information you will need over the summer to prepare your child for September. There will be a further meeting on **Wednesday 22nd September at 6pm** to discuss very specific aspects of the curriculum in more detail and we will remind you in September of this meeting. This meeting contains different information with the focus being about looking at specifics of your child's learning journey through their first term, first year and beyond.

We hope you will be able to attend the above events as they will provide an opportunity to see the school, ask questions, make friends and also pick up relevant documentation; they are, of course, optional.

As part of our process of smooth transition for your child, we aim to meet with as many **pre-school** settings as we can and will liaise with all pre-school settings to ensure all pertinent information is passed to us in advance, enabling your child to begin here at St Chad's with the best possible start. This process is made more straightforward if you let us know which pre-school your child has attended so that we can make the appropriate contact.

The school website will continue to be updated with further information so please check the page <https://www.stchadsprimaryschool.co.uk/new-reception-children-2021/>

The Governors, teaching staff and I, have every intention of providing you and your child with the kind of support that will make the years your child is with us, some of the best of their lives. Here at St Chad's, we believe education is life long and a team effort from everyone involved in each child's life. As such, we are looking forward to working with you and your family to create the very best primary experience for your child.

Warm wishes from everyone at St Chad's.
Mrs Steph Jenkins, Headteacher





St Chad's Patchway C.E. Primary School – Planned Introductory Activities & Events

Please tick the boxes against the events you will be attending and return the slip to the school office as soon as possible. Alternatively, you can email us at admin@stchadsprimaryschool.co.uk or text us on 07786201169 to confirm your attendance. Please be sure to give your child's name when contacting us.

Virtual meeting (Please call to book an appointment 01454 866523)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stay and Play	<input type="checkbox"/>
Teddy Bears Picnic	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dietary requirements.....	<input type="checkbox"/>
I require 1 picnic / 2 picnics (please circle as required).	<input type="checkbox"/>

Name of Child: _____

Name of Parent/s: _____

Contact number/s: _____

Email: _____

Name of Pre-School (if applicable): _____

