



7<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

We are delighted that you and your child are joining Chadsmead Primary Academy this coming September. On behalf of the staff, governors, children and parents, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you and your family to our school.

### **Reception Induction 2021**

Ordinarily, we would be writing to you to invite you to a number of events and meetings, however, due to the current situation this is not possible.

We find ourselves in an unprecedented set of circumstances and anticipate the possible anxiety your family may currently feel about your child's transition into Reception but we would like to assure you that an induction process of some kind will take place; however currently you will understand that we cannot be specific about how and when. Schools are working within a constantly changing environment, we therefore ask for your patience whilst we put together plans which are practical, flexible and above-all mutually beneficial in supporting the best possible start to your child's school life.

We will be in touch soon to share our plans for induction once we are clearer about the way forward nationally. We have created a new section on our website with information that you may need and you can access this here

[https://www.chadsmeadacademy.co.uk/web/academic\\_year\\_2020\\_-\\_2021/497723](https://www.chadsmeadacademy.co.uk/web/academic_year_2020_-_2021/497723)

We hope that many of your questions will be answered by visiting the page, please do not hesitate to email our office on [office@chadsmead.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:office@chadsmead.staffs.sch.uk) if you have an urgent question and we will respond as soon as we can.

We fully understand how worried you might be about your child's induction but the most important thing at the moment is that you and your child are well and happy. Please be assured that we are committed to working through this challenging time together. If your child does not attend nursery at Chadsmead, we will be talking to your current childcare setting, as we always do, to find out where your child is in their learning.



Included in this pack is some information to read in preparation for your child's start.

- **Welcome to Reception Class September 2021 leaflet:** This provides information about starting school
- **All about me:** Please complete this with your child ready to return in September, where we will use it as a display and a talking point with the children.
- **Supporting your child with settling into school:** An information sheet to support your child with starting school.

We shall also be in touch in June/July with various documents that collect data needed for starting school.

We look forward to connecting with you over the next term, as we prepare for the start of your child's learning journey with us. We hope that you and your child will have a happy and exciting time with us as they continue their journey through a lifetime of learning. We look forward to getting to know you and sharing your child's learning experiences during their time with us. Whilst this may start off as more of a virtual relationship, this remains a priority for us. Together we can achieve the very best for your child.

Yours sincerely



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