

9th July 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope that you and your child are safe, well and looking forward to joining Connor Downs Academy in September 2020. We are so excited to meet you all! Last month, you received a welcome letter which directed you to the [Starting School](#) section of our Academy website. Here, the Reception 2020 welcome booklet is available to download. We hope that you found the welcome booklet both informative and reassuring.

Over the coming days and weeks, we will be continuing to send out further information regarding your child's transition to school. This will include a transition timetable, a welcome video and an introduction from the Reception team. Again, this information will also be shared on our Academy website, under the 'Parents' and 'Starting School' tabs respectively.

As we continue to follow extensive COVID-19 guidance from both the Department for Education and the Aspire Academy Trust, we will adapt our transition to address this. We would like to thank you all for your ongoing patience and continued support.

In Reception, our classroom, including our learning displays, belong to the children. Taking full ownership of the learning environment enables the children to feel a true sense of belonging. As such, your child will have their very own learning display space in our classroom! This display space will be waiting for your child on their first day of school and will belong exclusively to them. Throughout the Reception year, your child's learning display will be populated by photographs and examples of their playful learning.

Here is an example of what your child's display could look like:



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To help us personalise your child's display space, we will be populating it with home photographs. As such, please can you email the following to hello@connordowns.org.uk:

- A clear photograph of your child, including their face.
- A photograph of personal significance. This could be a family photo, a photo of a pet, or a photo of a special memory.

These photographs will then be added to your child's learning display, along with their name, ready for the children's first day of school. We hope that this will provide a fantastic opportunity for us to get to know the children and help them to feel at ease in their new setting.

If you have any further questions, please email Mr Masters at: hello@connordowns.org.uk.

Kind regards,

Mr D. Masters
Reception Teacher / EYFS and Key Stage 1 Lead

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