

Monday 13th July 2020.

Taster Session for children starting Nursery or Reception September 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

As we approach the new school year in September, we are very conscious that your child has not been able to experience the normal transition that we hope would prepare and excite them for their journey at Whittingham. We do hope you have enjoyed the transition video, coming into school video,story times, photos, information booklets and challenges we have set on Tapestry and have found these useful in helping your child think about what it will be like with us.

School returns on Thursday 3rd September for the children at Whittingham.

However, we have decided that we would like the ‘New Starters’ to enjoy a short session with us before our current children return.

For this reason, we would like to invite your child to a **2-hour session** on **Wednesday 2nd September.**

The session would be with Miss Dick, Mrs Marsden; the children’s class teachers in September in Early Years from **1p.m. – 3pm** and we hope it will help them familiarise themselves with ourselves and the classroom before the rest of the children join us the following day.

School transport for Reception children will not be running on this day so you will need to transport your child to and from school. If your child is entitled to transport NCC will be in touch with you directly as this is arranged with the County Council, not school.

The start of term will be different to usual due to the current COVID 19 pandemic and unfortunately, in line with government guidelines, we are unable allow parents onto our school site but will have a pickup and drop off point clearly marked outside school grounds where there will be staff to help guide you ( socially distanced of course) to where you need to be.

Please bring your child to school at 1 pm.

They will need to wear their school uniform, have a coat and a named water bottle with water ( juice is not allowed in school).

A small packet of disposable hankies (named).

If your child will need support with toileting then please make sure they have what they need (wipes, nappies, changes of clothes) as we cannot provide these at school due to current guidelines.

Please be ready at the pick-up points 2.50 for a 3 p.m pick up.

We can’t wait to welcome you to Whittingham!

Kind Regards

Miss Dick and Mrs Marsden.