

Fulbourn Primary School

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Dear Families,

We are delighted that you have accepted a place for your child at Fulbourn Primary School starting in September 2024. We have planned a lovely range of activities which we hope will make the transition to our school smooth and enjoyable. We are very much looking forward to meeting you and your child at our inschool welcome sessions and meet the teacher events.

Reception Welcome Meeting

Tuesday 25th June 6.00 p.m.

The first of our events is a welcome event for parents and carers where we will introduce you to Reception at Fulbourn Primary and talk about how to get your child off to a flying start in September. During this event you will have the chance to look at the school uniform, meet members of the Parent Teacher Friend Association (PTFA) and meet the Reception team teachers. This event is appropriate for adults and we encourage you to make alternative arrangements for your child on this occasion.

First explore with your parents/carers

Classroom drop-in sessions. We are inviting each child and an accompanying adult to visit the Reception classrooms. It will be a great opportunity to explore our fantastic Early Years setting with your child and meet the full Reception team.

You and your child are invited to attend one of the following sessions:

Thursday 27th June - 1.15 p.m. – 2.00 p.m. 2.15 p.m. – 3.00 p.m.

Stay and Play

Our Reception teachers will host Stay and Play sessions where small groups of children can meet their teacher and some of the children that will be in their class in September. During this session you will drop your child off at the Reception classrooms before joining other parents/carers for a cup of tea and a chat.

Your child is invited to attend one of the following sessions:

Friday 5th July - 10.00 a.m. – 10.45 a.m. 11.00 a.m. – 11.45 a.m.

You will be able to sign up to your preferred time at our welcome meeting.

Headteacher: Mrs Beci McCaughran

Teddy Bears Picnic

Wednesday 10^{th} July from 12.00 - 1.00 p.m.

We invite all new Reception children and their families to join us for a Teddy Bear's picnic at school. Children - please bring a packed lunch and your favourite teddy with you! (Parents – feel free to bring a packed lunch too!). During the picnic you will have the chance to spend time with the Reception teachers and meet some of the other new Reception children.

Home Visits

Wednesday 4th to Friday 6th September

At Fulbourn Primary School, we want to do our very best to support your child's learning and development. As part of this process, it is vital that we build strong links between the staff at Fulbourn Primary and you. Home visits provide us with the opportunity to discuss your child's transition into Reception, get to know more about them and answer any questions that you might have.

You will be able to sign up for your preferred date at our welcome meeting. We will then contact you to confirm the time of our visit.

September Start

Wednesday 4 th September	Home visits
Thursday 5 th September	Home visits
Friday 6 th September	Home Visits
Monday 9 th September	Morning or afternoon session
Tuesday 10 th September	Morning or afternoon session
Wednesday 11 th September	Morning or afternoon session
Thursday 12 th September onwards	Children are invited to stay full time (8:40 - 3:15)

The children will attend part-time during their first three days of school – either in the mornings or the afternoons. We will do our best to accommodate your wishes, however parents/carers who work or who have other significant commitments will be given priority. You will be able to sign up for your preferred time at our welcome meeting.

Whilst we realise that a part-time start may be difficult for parents to manage, it is invaluable for a really good quality start to school, helping the children to settle into school in small groups, and enabling the staff to make detailed early assessments of your child's needs and interests.

Morning sessions (9^{th} , 10^{th} and 11^{th} September): 8.50 a.m. - 11.20 a.m. Afternoon sessions (9^{th} , 10^{th} and 11^{th} September): 12.40 p.m. - 3.10 p.m.

Thursday 12th September onwards

From Thursday 12th September, your child is invited to attend school full time. We know however that every child is different, and some may need slightly longer to build up to full-time. Your child's class teacher will be happy to discuss this with you in September.

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Welcome Pack

We hope the information in our welcome pack, available on our website via **this link**, will help answer lots of the questions you have about starting at Fulbourn Primary School in September.

Please complete the online admissions form here as soon as possible so we have all the important information we need about your child. In addition, we need to see your child's birth certificate and to keep a copy on file. Please can you send a copy of the document to office@fulbourn.cambs.sch.uk or bring it to school for us to copy. If you would like any assistance completing the forms or require an accessible version, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

We will also be happy to answer any questions you have at our welcome events. In the meantime, if you have any questions or there is anything at all we can do to help you feel welcome and excited to join us, please contact the school office who will be happy to help.

With kind regards,

Mrs Beci McCaughran

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