



Dear September Intake families,

I hope you are all well and enjoying the dry weather at this most unusual of times.

We are truly looking forward to welcoming all our new children and families into our Reception class from September.

The Reception teachers work very closely with our Nursery staff and some of the children will be very familiar with them and the setting. Some of you however will be brand new to our lovely learning community. We would normally have several open inspire afternoon sessions in the Summer term to get to know you and a chance for you to ask questions and take a look around. As this won't be possible at the unusual time we have come up with an alternative. Two members of our Reception staff including your child's class teacher will hand deliver (socially distance complying) your information pack over the summer term. This will allow you to put a face to the name, ask any questions you may have and hopefully goes some way in making your self and your child feel more comfortable with starting school.

A September start into Reception or to a new school is always full of excitement and apprehension and often it is an anxious time for everyone. We anticipate that this September will be more so due to all the complex and shared events in these unprecedented times we find ourselves in now and for the near foreseeable future. I would like to reassure you that we will plan very carefully how to best meet the needs of all of our children and their families keeping this experience at the forefront of our thinking. Indeed, we have the resources and capacity to put things in place to support all of our families when we return to school. We will not expect everything to just 'go back to normal'.

So as I have said we are really looking forward to meeting you all and talking further, you will receive a socially distanced visit with your school pack in due course (the dates will be shared closer to the time). In the mean time if you have any questions please do email me on: l.heaton@marshgreen.wigan.sch.uk

Kind Regards

Mrs L Heaton and all the Reception Team