



Brighstone C.E. Aided Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Induction to Brighstone C.E. Aided Primary School – September 2023

We are delighted that NAME will be starting in our Reception Class in September 2023.

This is a big step for all of you and naturally, we want to make the transition as smooth as possible.

The children who currently attend Brighstone Pre-School have been visiting the Reception class on Tuesday mornings. This will have given the children a chance to see that school is a safe and friendly place, where they can choose what they play with, be with their friends, and where the adults listen to them. It has given us the chance to begin to find out what your child's interests are, what they can already do and how we can help them to have a happy and exciting start to school.

We plan to hold an informal **parent meeting** on **Tuesday 6th June**, at 6:00pm. This will give parents the opportunity to come and meet the staff, see the learning environments and find out more about our school. We will hand out your Welcome Packs at this meeting, which contain information about the school day, the uniform, snacks and meals at school and what to expect.

There will also be the opportunity to talk privately with me (Mrs Cousins), Mrs Lennon (Headteacher) or Mrs Jones (Family liaison Officer), or to arrange a phone call to do this on another occasion.

We will also have a **stay and play session** on **Tuesday 13th June** between 1pm and 2:00pm, to which children and parents can come along and spend time exploring the environment together. Please access the school via the Main Entrance and Mrs Pelosi will sign you in.

Finally, our **school move up day** is on Tuesday 4th July between 8:40 and 11:30am.

During this morning, each cohort moves up to their new class to meet the teachers and have a transition session. We'd like to invite your children to come to this session by themselves, to spend a morning in school. If your child is already at Pre-School that day, they will be brought into school and collected by a staff

member. If not, please drop off and collect at the Main School Entrance to enable the current Reception children to also have a smooth transition to their new class.

We sincerely hope that these activities will help to ease the transition into school for your child and indeed, the whole family. However, I am more than happy to discuss any concerns or answer any questions you or your family have about starting school.

If you have any queries, please do have a look at our website www.brighstoneprimary.org.uk or email Mrs Pelosi in the School Office: office@brighstoneprimary.org.uk

Kind regards

Mrs Kirsti Cousins (Reception Class Teacher)

Mrs Rebecca Lennon (Headteacher)