



Dear Parent/Carers

### **Reception Classes for 20/21**

You may be aware that in September we will have at least 43 Reception children at Birklands Primary School. This includes twenty-three that are new to our school. Due to this rapid growth from September we will have two Reception classes. The teachers will be Miss Lounds and Mr Cohen.

Decisions about which class a child should be in take time and decisions are based on dynamics within a cohort, as well as close friendships that have positive impacts in school.

Due to the current situation we are unable to have our usual transition week and so make final decisions about reception classes.

In addition to this starting school full-time is a big step for all children and parents.

So based on this we will be doing a short transition into Reception class starting the 1<sup>st</sup> September.

#### **Transition Programme Overview:**

- For the week commencing Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September: all Reception children arrive at school for 9.30am and collected at 11.45am.
- Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September, Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September and Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> September all Reception children in from 9.15am until 12.15pm. This will give the children an opportunity to have lunch before going home.
- Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> September and Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September all Reception children in from 9.15am until 3.00pm (please note this finish time may vary depending on staggered finish times across the school).
- Week commencing 14<sup>th</sup> September all Reception children in full-time with their class teacher.

As we are unable to do a face-to-face transition week all the staff have put together a Powerpoint of key information. The link below will take you to our school web-site where you will find all of these.

<https://www.birklandsschool.co.uk/page.php?p=blog>

In addition to this staff will be delivering a booklet to every one of our pupils that they would like completing and returning to school before Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2020.

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We hope you will find this information really useful.

If you have any questions you can contact us via our website or give us a call.

Stay safe and positive.

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Head of School