

Dear Families

Reception Induction Information for September 2022

We are very much looking forward to welcoming your child to Charleton C of E Academy as they begin their primary education. In this letter, you will find out about the next stages of our induction plans for all of our little ones starting this September.

After two years where starting school has looked 'a bit different', we are delighted to welcome you into school to learn more about us, our Trust family and our curriculum offer as we prepare for your child's start in Reception. Many of these things will be familiar to those of you who have had other children start with us and some will be new.

What happens next?

Welcome Meeting

We would like to warmly invite you to join us for a **Welcome Meeting on Wednesday 15th June 2022 at 2pm**. We encourage all of our families to join us for the session as it provides an opportunity to meet myself and Miss Kingston, our Hub EYFS Lead, as well as providing you with an opportunity to taste some of our delicious school meals and learn a little more about life in Start Point Class. We will share with you what you can expect from us as both a school and a Trust family and be on hand to answer any questions, no matter how small they may seem.

One-to-One Parent Meeting

We understand the importance of working together and getting to know each other is a key part of this. After a couple years of virtual meetings, this year we will be offering a one-to-one meeting with us here at school later this term. This will provide you with the opportunity to talk with us about your little one and share all of their wonderful qualities. These meetings are a special way to get to know all of our new children and families, building a strong relationship between ourselves and the whole Charleton team. It is also an ideal time to share any questions or concerns that you may have. These meetings will take place later this term and we will be in touch soon to confirm dates and times available; we will do our best to accommodate your requests, we may need to be a little flexible to ensure we fit everyone in.



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FLOURISHING FUTURES

Shuffle Up Sessions

We are thrilled to announce that on **Thursday 30th June 2022** from **9.30-11.45am**, we will be holding a special *Forest School* session for all of our new Reception children and their families, with us on the school grounds. Rain won't stop play, so come prepared for lots of fun in the fresh air!

We are delighted to be welcoming all our new Reception children on **Tuesday 13th July 2022** from **9.30-11.45am** for *Shuffle Up Day*; the whole school will be "shuffling up" too! This will help the children to get to know me, our wonderful Reception class and explore our wonderful EYFS setting with their friends!

Getting to know your child in their current setting (for those attending a nursery)

Getting to know our Reception pupils, so we can provide them with the very best support and settling into our setting is something we pride ourselves on. To do this, we will also be contacting your child's nursery setting so we can ensure a smooth transition for them. We will arrange this and thank you for already providing us with the information for this.

Parent Handbook and Registration Pack

With this letter, you will find your *Parent Handbook* which provides lots of useful information about life here at Charleton.

This year, our *Registration Handbook* has moved online. Please complete this for your child as soon as possible so that we can start registering them on our school systems ready for September. Please complete this by **Friday 1st July** at the latest. Feel free to pop in to see Mrs Jeffery in the academy office if you have any questions or queries.

Something for your little one

We are busy putting together a special *Shuffle Up* pack that we will share with your little one on Shuffle Up Day. This includes a fun craft pack, a little gift from Forest School, some stickers, an interactive name activity and some information about her for those of you who don't know her yet. We hope that you enjoy sharing these together over the coming weeks.

You will also receive your little one's *Brown Bag Biography*, a fun way for us all to get to know each other. Inside their brown bag, please place **5** items, or photos of the items, that are special to your child. We will be sharing these items with the class early in September.



In the meantime

Our website has a dedicated area for all new Reception children and their families to support you and your child get ready for 'big school'. Miss Kingston has uploaded lots of brilliant resources as well as some photos of Start Point Class, as well as the whole team so that you can begin to get to know Start Point and the wider academy with your little one.

We will be writing to you again before the end of term with more information, including how the first few days and weeks of the new term will look. We will also be giving you more details regarding school meals and how to order these.

Finally, we are all delighted to welcome you and your family to Charleton CofE Academy. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns on 01548 312289 or charleton@lapsw.org.

Yours sincerely

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