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Dear Parent/Carer,

Congratulations - your child has successfully gained a place at Norwood Primary School! We are delighted that you and your child are joining our community in September and on behalf of the staff, governors, children and parents/carers, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you and your family to our school.

Ordinarily at this stage, we would be writing to you to invite you to a number of events to

- Welcome you to our school
- Enable you and your child to become familiar with our learning environment
- Meet the staff working directly with your child
- Share with you our learning approaches
- Facilitate you sampling school meals provided by our current partner - Caterlink
- Meet adults from Playhouse – the out of school club that supports Norwood
- Answer any questions or queries you may have

However, due to the unprecedented circumstances this is not possible. We understand the anxieties you may have about your child's transition into Reception but we would like to assure you that an induction process will take place when it is safe to do so.

We are working with both the Local Authority and the Department for Education to ensure that we operate in a way that is the best for our community and we ask for your patience and understanding whilst we put together plans to ensure the best possible start to your child's school life.

As soon as we are in a position to share our transition plans moving forward, we will do so – however in the mean time we have created an information page on our website that will build throughout the summer term. Please access this via the link [Reception 2021](#). You will be able to find a [virtual tour of our Reception](#) classroom and outside area by following the link.

We also have a tour of the full school site [here](#).

We hope that by visiting the page many of your questions will be answered, however please do not hesitate to email our school office via admin@norwoodschool.co.uk if you have an urgent question and we will respond as soon as we can.

As the first year within primary school is the final year of the Early Years Foundation Stage, we will liaise, as we always do, with pre-school and nursery settings to find out about your child's learning and development. We will also be talking to you to find out about more about your child.



These discussions usually take place within our transition sessions held in July and during a home visit in early September. However, if due to the current situation this is not possible, we will find an alternative way to ensure that we receive all of the required information.

We understand how worried you might be about your child's induction but the most important thing currently is that you and your child are safe and well.

We look forward to welcoming you and your child into school once it is safe to do so.

Mrs D. Reynolds
Head Teacher

