



Witchampton CE First School

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Dear Starters,

Thank you for choosing to send your child to Witchampton C of E First School. We are looking forward to a long and successful partnership during your child's time with us.

We have planned a series of events and activities to make starting school as enjoyable and smooth as possible. These include:

- Hedgehog Club (visits made by the children to their new classroom)
- New Parents' Meeting
- Sports Day
- Teachers visiting Preschools
- Home Visits

Hedgehog Club

There will be opportunities for your child to meet the Foundation Team including their class teachers over a couple of visits in their new classroom. We hope the children will feel happy to stay by themselves on the second and third visits, but adults are welcome to stay if necessary.

New Parents' Meeting

We invited starter parents to our New Parents' Meeting. This is an opportunity to meet your child's teachers and other members of staff who will be sharing your child's education throughout the school.

There will be a short talk with contributions from members of the school community, followed by an opportunity to ask questions. There will also be a chance to spend time in your child's classroom and to prepare a surprise for your child's first day! There will also be an Induction pack given out in the evening with all important starter information. This meeting is intended for parents and carers only.

Sports Afternoon

The school will be holding a Sports Afternoon. Your child is very welcome to attend and watch; there will also be a chance to join in when we have the Pre-School Race!





Teachers visiting Preschools

We will also be visiting your child in their pre-school. This gives us a valuable insight into the learning environment they have experienced and a chance to liaise with their key worker.

Home Visits

There will also be an (optional) opportunity in September for us to visit your child in their own home. These visits will last for around 15 minutes. They provide a valuable time to discuss your child and for the children to build a relationship with their teachers in their own home environment.

Autumn Term : Staggered Starting Times

In the Autumn term all children in Reception will start school. We would like to stagger the start times to allow us to greet your child as part of a small group. In this way, the children can receive as much individual attention as possible.

We are really excited to welcome you to the family that is, Witchampton Church of England First School. Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to get in touch with our school office at 01258 840684 or email the office at office@witchamptonfirstschool.org

Best Wishes,
Mrs Sharon Staddon
Headteacher