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Dear Parents

Re: Starting Bridge School in 2023

We are delighted that your child has been offered a place at Bridge & Patricxbourne CEP School for September 2023. You may be one of our families who already have a sibling at the school, or you may be joining our community for the first time. In either event, I would like to extend a warm welcome.

Our school vision is built around the educational principles of *creativity*, *excellence* and *resilience* and these are underpinned by our Christian ethos and values. These are the foundations to ensure that every child who passes through our school thrives and flourishes. Crucial to this is the partnership and relationship between home and school: we have high expectations of our children; you, as parents, rightly have high expectations of us. I am very proud that parental relationships in the school are strong and I have no doubt that this has a significant impact on our children.

The start of school can be a challenging time for children (and parents!) and so, it is important that children have a secure start to the school.

What Now?

We are required to ask for evidence to confirm that both you and your child are residents of the address given on your application form. If you have not already done so, please email Morny Starling (morny.starling@bridge.kent.sch.uk) including the following information:

- I wish to (accept/refuse) the place offered at Bridge & Patricxbourne CEP School
- Your child's full name and date of birth
- The pupil ID number (found on your offer email)
- Your name (parent/carer/guardian)
- Address evidence (see below)

It would also be helpful to know which nursery your child currently attends.

Proof of your address should include:

- Council Tax statement for 2022/23 and 2023/24 OR
- Signed Tenancy Agreement or Exchange of Contracts/Completion document

Plus at least one of these:

- Child/Working Tax Credit/Child Benefit/JSA/Disability Benefit Letter or Statement
- Driving Licence

Proof that your child lives at the same address can be any of:

- Doctor/Hospital appointment letter in the child's name
- Savings account or bank statement in the child's name
- Child benefit statement
- Letter from their nursery/preschool/current school



- Schedule of Motor Insurance
- Utility bills such as Gas/Water/Electric/Sky/Virgin Media/BT/Broadband etc
- Payslip

Please note that documents should be dated within the last three months and only original documents can be accepted.

More information can be found here: www.kent.gov.uk/acceptrefuseguide

If you have any problems, please contact Morny Starling via email or phone on 01227 830276.

We are planning to send out further information about our 'Transition into School' programme after Tuesday 2nd May which will include sessions for parents and children. It will also include information about the arrangements for starting school in September as well as information about Bridge Bees – our Breakfast and After-School Club.

In the meantime, please do take a look at our school website: [Starting School in Sept 2023](#)

We look forward to welcoming you and your child to Bridge & Patrixbourne CEP School.

Yours sincerely



James Tibbles
Headteacher



Graham Redpath
Early Years Leader