Welcome to Moredon Primary and Nursery School

Early Years Open Evening 21st June 2022

Please read through the following information carefully. There is further information and key dates within your induction pack.

Staff at Moredon

Senior Leadership Team

Mrs Claire Leach (Principal and Safeguarding Lead

Mrs Emma Preen (Assistant Principal, Early Years Lead & Deputy Safeguarding Lead)

Mrs Fiona Prendergast (Assistant Principal, KS2 Lead & Deputy Safeguarding Lead)

Miss Angie Harris (Special Educational Needs Coordinator & Deputy Safeguarding Lead)









Office Staff

School Office Team

Mrs Helen Slater

Mrs Sarah Wood

Miss April Wells

Reception Staff

Class Teachers

<u>Class RCB</u> Mrs Coral Bentley

<u>Class RSSM</u> Mrs Simone Marr (Mon, Tues & every other Fri)

Mrs Sarah Smith (Weds, Thurs & every other Fri)







Each class will have a full time Teaching Assistant.

NEST Team (pastoral and emotional support)

Miss Angie Harris (SENCO)

Mrs Diane Townsend (Learning Support Mentor)

Mrs Kirsty Mapstone-Davies (Family Support Worker)







Home phone calls and Transition

<u>sessions</u>

- Home phone calls will take place for those children not in our current nursery. You will arrange a date/time with your child's class teacher tonight for this.
- Transition sessions will take place on Thursday 14th July and Friday 15th July where your child can meet their teacher and school friends. Your child's allocated session is in your induction pack. Parents will drop children off for this session. Please can your child bring a water bottle and a snack with them.

The first few days starting in

- Your child's school start date is Monday 5th September.
- During the first week your child will attend school for half a day to settle them in. Again, please refer to your induction pack to see your child's settling in sessions. Your child will attend either a morning or an afternoon session for the first week.
- On Friday 9th September all children will attend 8:30am 1:30pm and have lunch in school (a packed lunch must be provided).
- From Monday 12th September, all children will attend school full time 8:30am 3:30pm including lunch. You will need to provide your child with a packed lunch.
- From Monday 19th September your child can have either, a packed lunch which you provide or you can opt to have a school meal which you will need to order through your ParentPay account. Please note that you need to order your child's school meals by the previous Wednesday for the following week e.g. if you would like your child to have school meals the w/b 19th September then you must order this on ParentPay by Wednesday 14th September.

September school timings

- The Reception classroom doors are opened at 8.30am each day. Drop off is between 8:30 – 8:35am. You will need to walk your child round to their classroom door where they will be greeted by the Reception staff.
- It is important that your child is dropped off in time so that they aren't marked as being late.
- Children finish school at 3:30pm from Monday Thursday.
- Children finish school at 1:30pm on Fridays.

What can I do to prepare my child for school?

- Talk positively about school. The book 'Starting School' by Janet and Allan Ahlberg is a lovely book to share with your child.
- Help your child to recognise their name.
- Help your child to write their name using only a capital letter at the beginning.
- Help your child to orally count to 10 and recognise amounts to 5.
- Get your child to practise dressing and undressing into uniform and into PE kit.
- Teach your child how to put on their coat and shoes.
- Teach your child how to use a toilet and wash their hands.
- Get your child to practise using a knife and fork.
- Play some board games with your child and help them to take turns and share.

Your child will need:

- A <u>named</u> PE kit in a <u>named</u> PE drawstring bag white t-shirt, black shorts, socks and a pair of daps. It also helps to have a spare pair of underwear just in case of any accidents. It is worth putting in a dark plain jumper and a pair of dark plain tracksuit bottoms in case of cold weather as we do have PE outside too.
- A pair of **<u>named</u>** wellies we have a welly walk each week where we explore our environment. There are welly racks outside the reception classrooms.
- A <u>clearly named</u> bookbag. It's helpful to attach a keyring/photo keyring to the bookbag so that your child can recognise their bookbag.
- A <u>named</u> school uniform black trousers/skirt/pinafore. Plain red t-shirt. Logo black jumper or cardigan. Black school shoes please can shoes have your child's name in as we end of with lots of shoes that are the same!
- A <u>named</u> water bottle.
- If your child is eligible for Pupil Premium, we will provide your child with a school jumper, school bookbag and PE drawstring bag, all with the school logo on.

Pupil Premium

All children who currently qualify for <u>free school meals</u> based on their family circumstances are entitled to pupil premium. This applies if you receive any of the following benefits:

- Universal credit (provided you have a net income of £7400 or less)
- Income support
- Income-based jobseekers' allowance
- Income-related employment and support allowance
- Support under Part IV of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of state pension credit

• Child tax credit, provided that you are not also entitled to working tax credit and have an annual gross income of £16,190 or less

Children who are or have been in care, and children who have a parent who is or was in the armed forces, are also entitled to pupil premium.

In addition, pupils who have qualified for free school meals on the above grounds in the past, but are no longer eligible, continue to receive pupil premium for the next six years.

If you think your child may qualify for pupil premium then please visit the following website and register:

https://www.swindon.gov.uk/info/20032/schools_and_education/408/free_school_meals_

If your child is eligible for Pupil Premium, we will provide your child with a school jumper, school bookbag and PE drawstring bag, all with the school logo on. We have to order this and it normally arrives around November.

Other information...

- All children receive a piece of fruit each day for snack, as part of a Government initiative.
- Children under 5 are entitled to receive a free carton of milk daily. Once your child turns 5, milk can still be ordered by filling in a registration form online but you will need to pay a small fee for it. You need to register your child on the Cool Milk website which can be found at <u>https://www.coolmilk.com/</u> It will ask for a start date. Please type in 5th September.
- All children in Reception are set homework each term. We do expect the children to complete homework with parental support.
- Reading is a priority. We do expect children to read regularly at home and ask that parents record this in their reading record.

Other information...

 Teachers will communicate with you via ClassDojo. You will need to download the App and your child's class teacher will provide you with a password in September.