

TRANSITION TO SCHOOL

Supporting every child in their
transition to school journey



April/May 2026

Welcome to Wheelock Primary emails sent to all new starters – this includes links to school registration forms.



JUNE 15th 2026 5:30pm- 6:30pm

Welcome meeting

The EYFS team will welcome parents and deliver a presentation to share an overview of our EYFS and key messages. This not aimed at children, if possible, please arrange alternative childcare for this event as it can be hard for parents to focus on the information being given with children in the room. Any questions about registrations forms that are outstanding can also be answered.



Friends of Wheelock School (PTA) and Badged (uniform) will introduce themselves.



JUNE/JULY 2026

Calls to Parents & Visits to Pre-schools/Nursery Settings

A member of the EYFS team will call you to talk to you about your child. They will also speak to your child's key worker in their Pre-school/Nursery setting.

We endeavor to visit children in local Pre-schools/Nurseries. If this is not possible, we arrange a phone call to chat to the children's key worker.



JUNE & JULY 2026

Visits to school

VISIT 1: Thursday 25th June 9:30-10:30am or 1:15pm – 2:15pm

VISIT 2: Friday 26th June 9.30 -10:30am or 1:15pm – 2:15pm



(Your child will attend one morning and one afternoon session – this will be allocated to you via email)

Children are invited into school for their 'stay and play' sessions. The EYFS team will welcome families into the main school hall - the children will then go with the EYFS staff for a play in their new classrooms. They will be exploring the classroom and getting to know their new teachers.



JULY 2026 – let's get to know each other!

New starter families will be given access to Tapestry - our online learning & communication journal.



Please ensure you complete the Tapestry permission form – we are unable to set your child up a Tapestry account until we have this.



1st – 4th SEPTEMBER 2026

Welcome to Wheelock!

Tuesday 1st September – INSET Day

Wednesday 2nd September – 8:35am (classroom door will stay open until 9.00am) – 11:30am

Thursday 3rd September – 8:35am – 12:15pm (staying for lunch)

Friday 4th September – 8:35am – 1:30pm (Parents invited to join us for a picnic lunch at 12:30pm)

EYFS staff will be available to chat to parents for 30 minutes after each session. Any questions are answered, concerns eased, and every effort is made to ensure both child and parent are confident and happy to start school full time the following week.

Every child's induction will be personalised to meet their individual needs. Where additional transition is required, these will be discussed with the child's parents.