



Faringdon Junior School

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Year 3 Welcome Letter September 2021

Dear parents / carers

Welcome to Faringdon Junior School!

We are looking forward to getting to know you and your child over the coming months. Thank you for choosing Faringdon Junior School; it is a great pleasure to be embarking on the next phase of your child's learning with them.

We believe it is important to ensure your child has had opportunities to meet other pupils, make friends, build a relationship with their teacher and to get to know as much about our school as possible before they start with us in September to ensure a positive transition.

Unfortunately, as you are aware, we are currently still working within COVID restrictions and so the activities we had provisionally planned this half term to support this smooth transition into Year 3 have needed to be adjusted. Although it hasn't been possible to invite the children into our school during the school day, as we would normally have done, the staff have been working closely with the year 2 team at Faringdon Infant School to ensure that staff get to know your child. Our staff have been visiting the Year 2 team and classrooms regularly for the past few weeks and will continue to do so before the end of term. This has included some of the key members of the team including the SENCO, Pastoral Lead, Deputy Headteacher, Inclusion Manager and the class teachers. We have attached an information booklet for those parents unable to join us and please look on our school website for information regarding the school prospectus and school uniform.

The open evening dates and times are as follows:

Willow Class: Monday 28th June 4:00-5:30pm

Maple Class: Tuesday 29th June 4:00-5:30pm

Cherry Class: Wednesday 30th June 4:00-5:30pm

To enable the children to see the site and to visit the classrooms and to adhere to our COVID risk assessment, we have set up the open evenings this week. We have a different evening for each class and the staff will be on hand to answer any questions you may have.

We can confirm the class teachers for the classes are as follows:

Willow Class: Vacancy – We are currently recruiting a new teacher for this class

Maple Class: Mrs H Bourne

Cherry Class: Mrs D Harris

Please note: As Willow class will not be able to meet their class teacher at the open evening event, as soon as we have appointed a new teacher, we will arrange a virtual meeting so that the children can meet their teacher before the end of the summer term.

Finally, just to make parents aware, we will be having a small change to the leadership structure from September. I will be working three days a week and I have a new Co-headteacher, Ms T Ahmed, who will be working two days a week.

We hope that you can join us at the open evenings and I look forward to welcoming you to our school.

Kind regards

Mrs Sharon Farrell

Headteacher

