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Dear Parent /Carer

We are absolutely delighted that your child will be starting at Kings Worthy Primary School in September 2022 and we look forward to welcoming you into our school community.

At Kings Worthy, we appreciate that starting school is an important and special time for you and your family and we would like to reassure you that we will be making every effort to ensure that your child's start to school is the best it can be by preparing and supporting both you and your child between now and September.

I appreciate that over the past two years it has been an unprecedented time with routines and 'normality' changing and we too have found new ways in which to support our school community as best and as safely as possible.

Firstly, if you have not done so already, please accept your child's place with us. Please follow the guidance provided by admissions in your offer letter or email. To confirm your acceptance of the place, please also provide us with evidence of the address that was provided on your application and your child's date of birth. Further details about what can be used can be found on your notification of primary school place email / letter. To provide us with these pieces of evidence, please send, preferably a scanned copy, to admin@kingsworthy.hants.sch.uk. We can also accept photographs of these documents, but please ensure that they are clear photographs that can be easily read and include the whole document. Thank you to those of you who have already sent in the relevant documents. If you have any further questions regarding this, please do not hesitate to get in contact with the school.

Our Early Years team will now begin to contact nursery schools and pre-schools to liaise with staff and meet the children. We hope to visit as many children as possible in their Early Years setting to help with transition soon.

You are invited into Kings Worthy Primary School to a parent information session on **Tuesday 14**th **June at 18:30**. Our Early Years classrooms will be open between **18:00** and **18:30** to allow you time to look around our Early Years setting. This parent information session will be an opportunity for you to find out your child's class teacher and meet all of the adults that will work within our Early Years setting. You will also be able to collect relevant documents and ask any questions you may have in regards to your child starting at Kings Worthy in September. Due to the nature of this event, we ask that children do not attend.

To support your child's transition, we have two transition events this side of the summer holidays. You and your child are invited to come to story time sessions in our Woodland Walk on **Wednesday 29th June** between **14:30** – **15:30** and our second session will be **Monday 4th July** between **14:30** – **15:30**.

We understand that many of you need to organise nursery/pre-school last dates and child care so we have included your child's entry pathway. We have adopted this model for several years now and it has significantly supported the children in a smooth transition.

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Entry Pathway

Starting school is incredibly exciting for you and your child, but it can also be a tiring experience as the children familiarise themselves with a new environment, new faces and the increased expectations of school life. Even those children who have been in full time childcare since they were very young can still find the process exhausting and with our current situation may have been at home for a significant amount of time out of 'routine'. We strongly recommend the following entry pathway to allow all children to experience a positive start to their school life and therefore send these dates to you months in advance to allow you time to organise any child care arrangements.

We will be carrying out **home visits** on **Thursday 1**st **September**, **Friday 2**nd **September** and **Monday 5**th **September**. You will be able to sign up to these dates at the parent information session in June.

Tuesday 6th	Stay and Play Session
September	Children in Hedgehogs Class - 09:30 – 11:30 accompanied by an adult Children in Rabbits Class 13:00 – 15:00 accompanied by an adult
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	All of the Early Years team will be on hand in the morning and afternoon to answer any further questions you may have.
	This accompanied session will allow the children an opportunity to meet other children in their class while you are also there with them. You are also able to meet other parents of children in the class. We feel that this session will be an essential step as part of their
	transition. Parents of twins, if it is easier, you may select one of the sessions to attend.
Wednesday 7 th	All children in morning only, 8:45am – 12:00pm
September	In order for us to be able to spend some time with you and your child during arrival on their
	first day at school, we would like to stagger their arrival time. This will be between 8:45am
	and 9:15am, starting at 8:45am for children with older siblings in school. We will let you
	know at your home visit your child's arrival time for the first day.
Thursday 8 th	Children born between 01.09.17 – 31.03.18: stay for lunch, 8:45am -1:00pm
September	Children born between 01.04.18 – 31.08.18: morning only, 8:45am – 11:45am
Friday 9 th	Children born between 01.09.17 – 31.03.18: morning only, 8:45am – 11:45am
September	Children born between 01.04.18 – 31.08.18: stay for lunch, 8:45am -1:00pm
Monday 12 th September	All children stay for lunch 8:45am - 1:00pm and children who are ready to, to stay full time.

Relevant Documentation

In support of your child starting school in September, you can find useful documents on our <u>school website</u>. Please take time to look at each of these documents, complete those that need it and send back as soon as possible. If you have any further questions regarding your child's start to school in September, please do not hesitate to get in contact with us.

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