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Dear parents and carers,

Welcome Letter – September 2020

We are delighted that your child will be joining Etwall Primary School this coming September. On behalf of the staff, governors, children and parents, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you and your family to our school.

Starting school is an exciting milestone for both you and your little one and is a time to be celebrated. It can also be a time of some anxiety which is why, as a school, we are committed to a smooth transition into primary school. Ordinarily, we would be writing to you to invite you to a number of events and meetings to support this transition. However, due to the current situation this is not possible and we are not yet sure when we can resume normal school business.

We would like to assure you that an induction process will still take place but we cannot yet be specific about how and when this might take place. Schools are working within a constantly changing environment at this moment and we therefore ask for your patience whilst we put together plans which are practical and flexible but, above all, beneficial in supporting the best possible start to your child's school journey.

At Etwall Primary, we aim to build excellent relationships between home and school. Whilst this may begin in a manner that is very different than usual, this remains a priority for us and we will be thinking very carefully about how we can do this in these unprecedented times. We will be in touch with you in May to inform you of our initial plans but we also have to be prepared for these plans to change should new guidance from the government be released.

To help to keep you informed, we have added a new page to our website where you will find our plans for transition arrangements. We would be grateful if you could complete the Google form so that we can ensure that our records are correct and to begin the process of collecting information from you:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdL9J-ZQYyVUEyyDecB97oo9zZEO744_pg_3mr-zCpM8BJ30w/viewform?usp=sf_link

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require any further information – our contact details are at the top of this letter. Currently, email is the best way to contact us and we will respond to you as soon as we can.

With kind regards,

Mrs Bentley

(Headteacher)

Mrs Toynbee

(Early Years Lead)

