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Dear Parents,

Welcome to West Street Community Primary School!

We are delighted that your child will be joining our Reception class this September. Starting school is such an exciting time for both you and your child. We want to make this as easy and smooth for everyone involved. We have planned a series of activities that involve parents and children enabling us to get to know each other, share information, address any concerns and work together to provide your child with the best start to their primary school life.

When?	What?	Why?
Wednesday 7th June 6-7pm	Parent Meeting for new Reception starters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To introduce key staff To support you in how to get your child ready for starting school To explain school routines and expectations To complete paperwork Tour of Reception indoor & outdoor areas
Wednesday 14th June Wednesday 21st June Wednesday 28th June 1.30-2.30pm each afternoon	Transition afternoons when your child can experience life in Reception three afternoons for all children	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children get to know the staff, each other and the classroom
Wednesday 21st June 1.30-2.30pm	During this transition afternoon, parents are invited to stay at school and join us for a workshop about how to get your child ready for starting school. Brews and cakes will be available.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To provide effective practical tips To share concerns and ideas To get to know each other
Wednesday 6th September	New Reception children start school part-time. The class will be split in to 2 groups. Group 1 will come to school for 4 ams then 4 pms; Group 2 will come to school for 4 ams then 4 pms;	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children have a gradual build up to being in school and get to know routines & expectations Reception staff get to know children more quickly in smaller groups
Monday 18th September	New Reception children start school full-time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Now the children, parents and staff know each other, everyone is more ready to be at school full-time

Miss Sarah Watson (Headteacher)