



Colvestone Primary School

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Soaring Skies
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Dear new Reception children and parents/carers,

We are really excited and looking forward to welcoming our new families to school and beginning an exciting learning journey with you all in our newly refurbished Reception Class. As part of the refurbishment, changes will be made to the classroom layout, we also have new furniture and resources. More importantly, there will now be toilets in the classroom! We are really looking forward to seeing you.

At Colvestone, we are committed to providing a smooth transition into school to allow each child to settle in, get to know the staff and to make new friends. We know that parents and carers play a really important role in this transition so that you too can feel reassured that your child is safe and happy at school. At Colvestone, we favour a fairly short transition to full time schooling. Many of our children are used to full days in pre-school settings or are already familiar with our own school staff and environment.

In light of the current pandemic, we have made the following changes to the Reception Class transition this year:

- Home visits – Due to the continuing social distancing guidelines that are in place we will be hosting virtual home visits. Virtual home visits will take place on **14th and 16th June**, where you will meet the class teacher Miss Hippolyte. The discussion will last for around 25mins and you will have the opportunity to share information about your child. (If you would prefer a telephone conversation instead of a virtual meet, please contact the school office.)
- We would also like to extend an invitation to you to our **Colvestone Summer Party** on **Saturday 10th July at 12.00pm**. This will give you the opportunity to visit the school to see some of our facilities and meet members of the school community including other families and staff.
- Stay and Play Sessions - Due to the exciting refurbishments being made to the Reception Class, we will not be hosting our usual stay and play sessions this term. Instead, you will be invited to visit school on **Friday 3rd September** for either a morning or afternoon session. Details of your allocated time will be sent in a separate email before the end of the Summer Term. (Please contact the school office by **Monday 12th July** if you are not able to attend your allocated slot)
- All children will start school on **Monday 6th September**. Depending on COVID Guidelines at the time, parents will be encouraged to stay and support children to settle for part of the morning.



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During the remainder of this term, our staff will be contacting pre-school settings to find out as much information as they can about your child, to help smooth their transition.

Please visit the school website for updates about Reception Class and our refurbishment. We will be posting transition activities and Early Years information to support you in preparing your child to start school. Please feel free to do as much or as little of this as is convenient for you.

Welcome to Colvestone Primary School

Caroline King
Executive Headteacher

William Macfarlane
Head of School

Jennifer Hippolyte
Assistant Headteacher