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Information about our Induction Programme

Dear parents and carers,

At St Barnabas we pride ourselves on the smooth transition from home and pre-school settings into our school community. It is our aim to provide a warm, happy and stimulating environment where your children will want to come each day to learn.

Although your child may have attended a pre-school or nursery setting, there will be many changes for them to cope with when they start school, including:

- Becoming familiar with a new, large environment.
- Meeting and developing relationships with many new people, including teachers, teaching assistants and lunchtime supervisors, as well as many new children.
- Having to share their teacher with lots of children.
- Coping with new experiences and routines and sometimes getting used to a longer, more tiring day/week.
- Following a more structured timetable with some constraints on their movements and choice of activities.

To help the children settle into new school life, our school induction programme will be phased throughout September. Over this period your child will be introduced to new routines so that by the end of September they will be confident and ready to attend for the whole day.

We have enclosed an induction timetable for your information which states if your child is in Group A or B and the dates and timings for the induction period. A copy of the timetable can also be found on our school website. We will also be holding three stay and play sessions in the summer term to support a smooth transition.

We have enclosed information for you to keep (see white paper) and forms for you to return (see yellow paper). **Please return forms at the first stay and play session on 15th June and bring your child's birth certificate with you on this day too.**

Please do not hesitate to contact us with any further questions.

Kind regards,

Mrs Dickson, Mrs Burden and the St Barnabas Team

