



Friday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Dear new Reception Parents and Carers

### **A very warm welcome to Templemoor Infant and Nursery School**

We are delighted that your child has been allocated a place to join us at Templemoor Infant and Nursery School in September and would like to take this opportunity to extend a warm welcome to you and your child.

At Templemoor we believe that the job of educating is a never-ending one. It begins before a child comes to school and continues long after they have left. Our aim is to work together in partnership with parents to make the transition to Reception a smooth, pleasant and exciting experience for both you and your child.

Despite the uncertainty of knowing when we can invite visitors back into school without restrictions, please rest assured that no matter what happens, we will provide you (either face to face or virtually) with a way of ensuring that you and your child get all of the information that you need in order to be fully prepared for starting school. We really are here for you every single step of the way.

### **What happens next?**

We will email all relevant information to you and are starting to create a page on our school website under the tab 'Parents' and 'Reception Induction – September 2021' where all information will be uploaded. We have also set up a dedicated email for new Reception parents so you can send in forms, ask questions and get feedback. The email address is [reception2021@templemoor.trafford.sch.uk](mailto:reception2021@templemoor.trafford.sch.uk).

Towards the end of the week beginning 7<sup>th</sup> June, we will be sending out information booklets with lots of details in about Reception as well as further details about our Breakfast, After School and Holiday Club. You will also receive lots of forms to fill in which you will need to complete and return to school via the dedicated email address. You will also find out which class your child will be in too, along with start dates and times! Not long to wait!

### **Welcome Meeting**

We would like to warmly invite you to a parents' welcome meeting at school. There will be an opportunity to meet myself and the Reception Team. You will also get to visit your child's new class and find out a little more about life in Reception. The meeting will take place on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> June/ Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July** and will run from 7pm to 8pm. Please note that this session is for parents only. If, due to Covid restrictions, it is not possible to meet in person we will arrange a virtual meeting instead.

## **Home Visit**

We aim to make the transition from home to school a positive experience, so if your child has **not** attended our school Nursery, we will visit your child in their home setting. This gives you the opportunity to talk with the Reception Team about your little one and they can get to know their new teacher too! These Home Visits are a special way to get to know all of our new children and families, building a strong relationship between yourself and school. It is also an ideal time to share any questions or concerns that you may have. These visits will take place during the week commencing Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July. We will be in touch shortly to confirm your date and time. Although we will do our best to accommodate your requests, we may need to be a little flexible to ensure we fit everyone in!

## **Visits to School**

We are thrilled to announce that children who have **not** attended our Nursery will be given the opportunity to come in to school before the end of the Summer Term to meet their new class teacher and other children in their class. This means that before they join their new class, the Reception environment is already a familiar place to them. We will also be contacting your child's nursery setting so we can ensure an extra smooth transition. For children who already attend Templemoor Nursery, they will also get the opportunity to visit their new Reception class too.

## **Finally...**

If you have any questions or concerns about your child's transition, please let us know by contacting us via [reception2021@templemoor.trafford.sch.uk](mailto:reception2021@templemoor.trafford.sch.uk).

We really do look forward to connecting with you over the next half term, as we prepare for the start of your child's learning journey with us. Once again I would like to thank you for trusting us with your child's education by choosing Templemoor Infant and Nursery School. We are committed to ensuring the very best for your child over the next three years that they are with us in order that they have all the tools, opportunities and choices available to them when they take their next leap on their school journey.

With very best wishes



Mr Hodgson (Headteacher) and the Early Years Team