

Heatherside Junior School

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Dear Parents

On behalf of everyone at Heatherside Junior School I would like to extend a very warm welcome to you and your family. We are delighted that you have chosen Heatherside for your child and look forward to getting to know them (and you) over the coming four years. We understand that the transfer to junior school might feel a little daunting (including for parents!) especially as your child is joining us from a school other than Heatherside Infants. Please be assured we will take extra care to support their induction and yours too!

To help your child's move to Year 3 we have arranged three induction visits for your child, where they will have the opportunity to meet their teacher, join in some playground games and be shown around the school by one of our current Year 3s. These visits will take place on:

Friday 3 rd May	9.15 - 10.00	Years 2/3 Playground Games
Thursday 20 th June	9.15 - 10.45	(Guided Tour led by current Year 3s)
Thursday 4 th July	9.15 - 10.15	(Meet their Teacher)

Your child should be brought to/collected from the Junior School at the above times. Please could I ask you to request permission from your child's current Headteacher in advance.

Our New Intake Evening for Parents will be held on Tuesday 25th June at 7pm and we hope very much that you will be able to come along. After a short presentation in the hall, where you will find out your child's class, you will then meet with your child's new teacher in their classroom. They will talk through some of the practical arrangements for September and how we will be supporting your child's transition. Uniform will be available to order on the evening, ready for collection at a later date.

You will have received your official 'Offer' of a place from Hampshire County Council on Tuesday 16th April and this year there is an automatic acceptance system in place. This means that if you no longer need the place at Heatherside Junior for September 2024, you need to inform Hampshire Admissions of this in writing via the following email admissions.team@hants.gov.uk Please could we ask that this is completed immediately if you no longer require the place so that places ca be offered from our Waiting List which is established on the 30th April.

In order to help us to prepare for your child joining us and begin liaising with our partner Infant Schools, please complete this online form https://forms.office.com/e/k6MvFMEWGz

Emergency contact details for your child will be sent electronically from their infant school. Please ensure all details held by them are correct and up to date. Once your child is set up on our electronic system (Arbor), we will send a further link to check contact details. We are committed to providing the very best for your child and hope that your association with school will be a happy, successful and memorable one.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Hannah Dunn Headteacher

