

The Federation of Stoke Hill Schools

3rd July 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

We write to let you know that we are **STILL** very much looking forward to you and your child joining us at

Stoke Hill Nursery School

Since the school and nursery closed in March, we have all lived through incredible, almost unimaginable weeks and still are in a partial lockdown with the R rate uncertain.

However, what is not uncertain is that we are planning to welcome you and your child to the school in new and online ways!

First of all, please visit the schools website www.stokehill@devon.sch.uk

Currently you arrive at our leafy home page, then please navigate your way

to the Our School tab > Starting at the Nursery School

We are developing our website at the moment and so if it looks any different to this we will let you know!

On the **Welcome to the Nursery** page, you will find:

- a 'photo story' of the Nursery
- photos and descriptions of the grown ups your child will meet in September
- the Nursery Information Booklet which we will ask you to read
- a head teacher 'Welcome Message' from myself
- an archive of stories that the Nursery team have recently recorded for the current children to enjoy, whilst they have been 'learning at home'

New stories will be recorded soon, so keep visiting the website and take a look.

Induction Arrangements for July 2020

1) Nursery Tour

Whilst we are staying safe by reducing transmission risks and keeping the minimum number of adults in school low, instead of an actual 'tour' we offer you a 'photo story' of the places and people your child has yet to meet. Find this on the website's 'Welcome to the Nursery' page.

2) Stay and Play Visit and Induction

This opportunity will now happen in September. Currently we anticipate some sessions for every child during September which your child will be able to come and visit and to 'stay and play' with you in the Nursery. A small number of children at a time will be invited to these sessions, so that we



can remain distanced and as safe as possible.

This will also be an opportunity to have a full induction for your child with Clare Farion, our Nursery leader. This is to gather as much information as we can about your child before they start.

Much depends upon the Government's advice regarding starting up the new school year. As yet, we do not know how the R rate will impact upon school opening for 2020-21. However, be assured that we will continue to follow the appropriate scientific and government guidance.

We will also make the best of every opportunity we can find to get to know you and your child before beginning your chosen hours.

Next Steps

Please would you:

- visit the website often
- > read the Nursery Information
- ➤ look forward to your child starting at the Nursery school!

Any questions?

Please contact Clare Farion the Nursery Leader at clare.farion@stokehill.devon.sch.uk

With a warm welcome and best wishes for your health and wellbeing,

Clare Farion

Nursery Leader

Sarah Mackay

Head Teacher