



The Federation of Stoke Hill Schools

20th April 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

We write to let you know that we are looking forward to you and your child joining us at
Stoke Hill Infant and Nursery School.

We are all going through exceptional times at the moment but are busy working safely and creatively to induct your child into school in slightly new ways this year. School is currently closed to most pupils, offering childcare to those who absolutely need it.

However, at some point we will re-open, but only when the government signals a return and scientific evidence is clear that it is safe to do so.

You will want to be reassured that our highest priority is that the school is safe for pupils, safe for staff and safe for parents.

We will write again shortly with details of how your child's important introduction to school will begin. Initially, it will involve access to information and photos on our website. We are working on those pages now and will let you know when they are live for you to view.

Stoke Hill School has a strong tradition of welcoming its new children. We know that the time spent getting to know you and your child is key to successful and happy 'settling in' and to future success. We will be doing things just a little differently this year but the welcome to our school and to the Federation is just as warm as ever.

DRAFT Induction Arrangements from June 2020
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1) School Tour

Typically, we invite you to the school, but will be replacing this first introduction with a virtual tour of the classrooms and photo story of the places and people your child has yet to meet. Access this from the website in June.

2) Stay and Play Visit

This opportunity will happen in some format and at some point before school starts for your child, and we will let you know about how these arrangements might work at the start of June

If you plan for your child to begin school in January 2021 please also access the virtual tour and participate in whatever 'Stay and Play' we are safely able to host.

3) One-to-One Visits

Until now, teachers have offered visits to the home at the start of September to get to know new children and families a little better. You will appreciate that a visit in this format may no longer be

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appropriate and we will update you in June as to how we can make this one-to-one contact with you.

Still being in a period of lockdown, and with future needs to work together to combat the coronavirus, means that much seems uncertain.

However, what is certain is that school is here, really looking forward to welcoming you and keen to get the best information out to you regarding induction, just as soon as we can

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

Miss. C. Taylor
Foundation Stage Leader

Mrs. S. Mackay
Head Teacher