

Padstow School

Head of School: Mrs K Whitford

22nd June 2020

Dear parents/carers,

Welcome to Padstow School. As you are aware, due to the current pandemic, transition will be a little different this year as we are unable to have visits to our school before the summer holidays. To help you and your child become familiar with our school, over the next few weeks we will be sending out information to enable a smooth transition into Reception. You will receive a welcome booklet which will give you a comprehensive overview of life in Reception (Puffin Class). This can also be found on our website in the 'Starting School' section which can be located under the 'Parents' tab.

Within this section, we will also be adding videos of the class teacher and teaching assistant so both you and your child can become familiar with them. We will tell you about ourselves using an 'All about me' box and will share our favourite stories for you and your child to listen to. We will even set your child a challenge to make their own 'All about me box' which can be brought into school in their first week and shared with the class so we can learn all about your child too.

In preparation for next year, please email a headshot picture of your child to hello@padstowschool.org so we can set up the classroom with labels etc ready for your child's arrival at school. You can send a serious photo or a funny photo, but be aware that it could be on display in the class all year so you may want to choose carefully!

Next year, we will use Tapestry as our online tool to record your child's learning. To enable us to activate an account for your child, it is important that you complete the link below by Friday 26^{th} June:

Tapestry online form

We very much look forward to welcoming you and thank you for your patience during this uncertain time. We recognise that starting school is a big milestone for your child and we will keep you updated with specific start dates and transition arrangements as soon as we are able.

If you have any further questions, please contact us at the email address above.

Kind regards,

Mrs McColville (Puffin Class teacher)

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