

Transition

Transition plays an important part in ensuring that your child feels safe and secure when starting Nursery school.

At Ditton Nursery school we have clear transition processes in place to ensure that your child quickly begins to enjoy school life. We value the importance of relationships with parents/carers and work with you to ensure that your child settles quickly and happily into their new environment.

Once you have registered your interest in our Nursery school a home visit will take place, this will be arranged via the school office. As part of the home visit process, we will complete an 'All about me' booklet which involves us gathering information about your child, what they like to do and how they learn. **After the home visit, your place will be confirmed** if you haven't already visited school, you will be provided with the opportunity to come and look around our setting, you will also be able to purchase school uniform at this time.

Following your visit to Nursery school you will be invited into school again for a New Parent Induction session, your child does not need to attend this session. During this time you will be able to meet our staff and ask any further questions that you may have. **As part of the parent session an induction pack will also be shared with you which will provide further information about our school.**

When your child is due to start Nursery School they will be allocated a time to come to Nursery and spend an hour within the setting working and playing with their new key person. When possible, transition times are arranged so that we do not have more than one new child starting in a key person group at the same time. If your child is happy and settled during their session, they would then begin their agreed sessions the following day.

If your child needs a slower transition process you can talk to your child's key person, and this can be arranged via them. All children take different amounts of time to settle in school and this will vary from child to child.

Once your child is in school, we will support their transition around the building through the use of our visual timetables, now and next core choice boards and adult support, for example at lunchtime.

Ready for Reception!

We have close links with several of our local primary schools and as part of the transition process into Reception we contact these schools and meet with your child's new teacher to ensure that we share our knowledge about your child, what they enjoy, can do and what they may need further support with. Your child's new teacher will be invited to come into school on a further occasion to see your child in their Nursery

environment which will provide further support and alongside the transition processes that they also have within their new school setting.

Where possible we also facilitate a small number of visits to local primary schools that are within walking distance however this is agreed with you as parents/carers at the time.

If you have any more questions regarding transition processes, please do not hesitate to contact us and we look forward to welcoming your child into our setting.