



ABBOTS FARM JUNIOR SCHOOL

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Dear Parents / Carers

On behalf of the whole team here at Abbots Farm Junior School, I would like to offer you a warm welcome to the AFJS family. We are all looking forward to welcoming your child and you, whether this is for the first time or you have other Farmers in your family already and have been a part of our school community for a while. We are excited to support your child over the next four years of their educational journey and working in partnership with you to support the next steps, getting to know you and your child so that together, we can ensure the time your child spends with us in school is happy, secure and successful.

As part of our administration process, we have enclosed a number of forms which need to be returned to us.

Please read the enclosed information and return the following forms back to us **no later than Friday 9th June 2023** to ensure the correct details are recorded ready for your child's start date:

1. Pupil Confidential Information - pink form!
2. Permissions sheet
3. KidZone application pack – if required
4. Acceptable use Policy
5. Music / Drums forms – if required
6. PTFA Form – if required

I would also like to draw your attention to our school website <https://abbotsfarm.co.uk/> Here you will find further information regarding life at school, including key policies.

Transition Support

Between now and when your child starts here with us, we will be arranging opportunities for teaching and SEND staff from all current schools to discuss pupils and the information we receive will support us in planning for class provision for next year and beyond as we endeavour to make their time here at AFJS as enjoyable and productive as possible. We will work hard to ensure that children arriving from other schools have the best opportunity to integrate into these groups, as everyone familiarises themselves with our setting in September.

We would also very much welcome the opportunity to hear from you as parents about any support your child or your family may need. Please complete the Microsoft Form to tell us a little more about your child by scanning this QR code or typing the following address into a web browser <https://forms.office.com/e/XSj1EVeh2E>



Transition Day

On **Wednesday 5th July**, it is transition day, where pupils get to spend a day in their new schools/classrooms and meet their teachers and other key staff prior to starting in September. On the day, please arrive between **8.40-8.50 and bring your child to the hall doors (we will signpost it for you on the day)**. They will be met there by our staff and then taken to their classrooms. Please make sure that your child has a named water bottle and you have applied sun cream (we can but hope for a sunny day!).

We are able to provide a free school lunch for your child on the day if they would like one.

- **If you are coming over from Abbots Farm Infant School** please order your meal on Stir Select as usual.
- **If you are coming from another school**, please email admin2421@welearn365.com ASAP to tell us your dinner choice OR if you will be bringing in a packed lunch.

The options on that day will be

- **Roast Chicken**
- **Carrot and Stuffing Plait**
- **Jacket potato with cheese / baked beans or Tuna,**
- **Hot pasta with tomato sauce**
- **Baguette with tuna / egg mayo or ham.**

If your child would prefer to bring a packed lunch, please send them with one on the day.

At the end of the day, please collect your child from the school playground at **3:00pm**. This will give parents the chance to meet their child before the rest of the school finishes.

Welcome meeting for parents

We are holding an **information evening** at school on **Wednesday 5th July** (the same day as transition day) starting at **6pm**. This will be an opportunity for parents to meet key staff, listen to us share our curriculum vision and learning opportunities and to ask questions about ongoing support.

PTA event

Please take the time to have a look at the letter in this pack from our PTA. It includes an invite to our annual family **BBQ and Summer Fair** at school on **Friday 14th July** at **6:30pm**, which is always a great event and would be a brilliant way for you to meet other members of the Abbots Farm Junior School community – it would be great to see you there!

Your child's first day in September

While it feels like it is still a long way away, September will soon be here! We will share more information at the parents welcome meeting but to help you and your child prepare, here is a little bit of information that you may find useful about what will happen on that first day.

On the first day, we ask that you arrive at school between 8:50 and 8:55, which is after the rest of school will have made their way into class. We ask Y3 parents to come onto school site and wait with their children for the Y3 team, who will come out onto the playground to greet the children, line them up and bring them into school.

At the end of the first day, we will bring the children out a little earlier, to enable them to get used to the routine without all the other children around. Please come onto the **playground closest to the road at 3pm** and we will bring the children out to meet you. They will be dismissed one at a time once we know where the adult is that they are going home with. A little wave across the playground to us helps us to spot where you are! 😊

Each pupil will be given a learning pack with their very own equipment – please **do not** send them in with pencil cases or **any of their own** stationery. They will **not** need their PE kit on the first day – staff will let children know their PE days in September and we ask that they bring kits in on those days then take them home again at the end of the day.

Start and end of the day routines after the first day

After the first day, all children should be in class for registration by 8:50. The gates are open from 8:40 to allow enough time for all children to arrive safely. They come straight onto school premises from either the top or bottom gate, across the playground and up the ramp to their classroom. There will be staff on the gates and stationed around school site to help children become familiar with this routine and to supervise them getting safely into school. After the very first day, parents will not come onto school site in the morning.

At the end of the day, the children will all finish at 3:20 and parents will be able to come onto the playground to wait for their children. Members of the Y3 team will dismiss the children one at a time when they have identified the adult they are going home with.

If you have any other questions or queries, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us via the admin email admin2421@welearn365.com and the relevant member of staff will get back to you.

Yours sincerely



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