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Dear Parents,

Thank you for your patience and understanding regarding your child's transition into Longney CE Primary in September. By now, we would normally have met at an introductory meeting, got to know your child during the six transition afternoons and visited all the nurseries, playgroups etc. to ensure a smooth handover from one setting to another. As we are all very aware, things are very different this year and I have been waiting for the guidance from the government about September opening before sending this letter. Please be assured that we will do everything we can to help your child have a very positive start to school.

At Longney, we use Class Dojo to communicate with parents and also as a platform for online learning. Class Dojo allows teachers to directly message parents and vice versa if there are any queries or questions. Videos and photos can be posted in the class story space by the teacher for whole class communication and the School Story is an area where information for our whole community can be posted. We are going to create a 'class' for our new Reception class to share information. You will receive an invitation from Miss Wilce inviting you to be part of this class. Please see the information sheet attached to find out more about Class Dojo.

To help with transition, we will:

- Post a video of a tour of the school and Reception classroom on Class Dojo for you to share with your child. There is also a story about starting school that you can read to them.
- Invite you to attend a Zoom meeting on Friday 10th July at 10.00. You will receive an invitation email with the link to join the meeting.
- Put any pdf documents that you may wish to download on our school website under the 'Pupils' tab in 'Reception 2020' <http://www.longney.gloucs.sch.uk/website>

In September, our arrangements for the start of the year will be a bit different to how we have done things in previous years.

- The first three days of term, Wednesday 3rd – Friday 5th September, there will be drop in sessions running where you are invited to book a 45 minute time slot and visit Swallow class with your child. During this time your child can become familiar with the classroom and you will be able to speak to Miss Wilce.
- During the week commencing 8th September, Monday – Wednesday we will be running sessions for pupils mornings only 8.50 am – 12.00pm. Thursday 11th and Friday 12th September pupils will stay for lunch and can be picked up at 1.15 pm.
- Pupils start full time from Monday 14th September

We look forward to meeting you all in the Zoom meeting on Friday morning or in the very near future.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Howard
Headteacher

