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'walk as children of light'

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Dear Parent/Carer,

As a result of the ever increasing cases of Covid in the county, I have taken the difficult decision to yet again postpone the transition event for our new intake. The rationale behind this decision is due to the fact that we have many different feeder nursery's and childminder groups. When the children arrive for their transition, there would be more than five different bubbles mixing. This increases the risk of transmission and consequently, several different settings would potentially have to close should there be a positive Covid case. Whilst I understand that you will be disappointed, the safety and wellbeing of the children and staff are paramount.

Therefore, we will be holding a transition morning (play session) on **2nd September from 9:30-11:00a.m.** where all of the children can attend. They can be dropped off for a morning session and will get the opportunity to spend time with their class teacher and familiarise themselves with the classroom and Early Years environment. To confirm, Mrs Arinze is the Early Years Leader and Mrs Channon has recently joined the Early Years Team as class teacher.

Please note, once you have dropped your child off at the play session 2.9.21, you must then present your child's birth certificate at the school office.

In the meantime, there will be a pack of information for you and an activity for you to complete with your child during the summer holiday break. **Please collect the pack from outside of the main school office on Friday 9th July**, you will find an envelope with your child's name on. Please return the activity on **2nd September** when the children attend the transition morning. We can then display your child's creative work ready for when they start school. Following this, the children will start school as outlined previously on either Monday 6th or Wednesday 8th September. Further information with regards to groups will follow shortly.

This is an exciting time for you and your child as they start their formal education. I can only apologise for the change in date and appreciate your understanding with this decision.

If you have any questions, then please feel free to contact Mrs Arinze at eyfs@hardwicke.gloucs.sch.uk

Yours sincerely

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