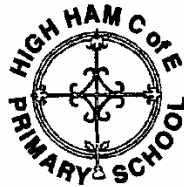


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Re: Reception 2022 September Starters

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to welcome you to our school, I hope you are all excited about the next big step in your child's life. When you have received your offer of a place from 'Somerset County Admissions' shortly after you will receive a welcome card from our school asking you to go to our 'New Starters' page of the website. In these changing times we keep this page constantly updated, so please do check regularly and if you want to quickly know what has been added click on the twitter update tag [#HighHamNewStarters2022](https://twitter.com/HighHamNewStarters2022)

Last year, we were unable to offer our usual induction activities and the children settled really well. This year, we are planning a range of activities which include:

What do I need to do?

Go through all the steps on the 'New Starters' page of the website.

What will happen in the summer?

Please check the website as we will let you know the class teacher's name and there will be a short welcome video from them.

Visit Us: Monday 13th June 2022

Please come along with your child (and family if you wish) and we will give you a tour of the school and there will be an opportunity to meet some members of the school team. In order to stagger the timings of the tours please arrive at the following times:

4pm Those who currently go to High Ham Pre-School (child's surname A-M)

4.15pm Those who currently go to High Ham Pre-School (child's surname N-Z)

4.30pm Those who currently go to a pre-school other than High Ham.

Teacher Visits: June 2022

During the last week of June, the teacher visits the children at their pre-school setting.

Induction Afternoon: Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th July 2022

This is an opportunity for your child to be in their new classroom with their teacher and meet their new friends. Please bring your children to the front gate at 1.45pm and collect at 3pm. NB: If your child goes to High Ham Pre-school on that day they will drop them off and collect them.



What will happen in September?

Please note the gate opens at 8.45am but school officially starts at 8.55am.

Week 1 Week beginning Thursday 1st September 2022

Children who already have siblings at High Ham

Thursday 1st September - First day for children who already have siblings at High Ham. Please arrive for the 8.55am register. Pick up is at 12 o'clock. They do not come to school on Friday but return on Monday 5th September from 8.55am until 12 o'clock.

Children who do not have siblings at High Ham

Friday 2nd September - First day for children who are new to High Ham. Please arrive at 9.15am at the main gate. Pick up is at 12 o'clock.

All children

From Monday 5th September 8.55am until 12 o'clock.

Week 2 Week beginning Monday 12th September 2022

All children everyday including a Universal Infant Free School Meal and picked up at 1.30pm.

Week 3 Week beginning Monday 19th September 2022

All children full time.

What happens at morning drop off?

When you arrive, please bring your child to the front gate where you will be met by a member of staff who will show your child where they need to go. During September if your child needs you to walk them to their classroom door, please follow them in. At the end of September, we will be giving out independence awards as we expect all children to come in independently by then.

What happens at pick up time?

At pick up time (3.30pm) you need to come in through the main entrance and through the side gate and then out of the back gate as we have a one-way system. Please do not worry about remembering, a member of staff will be on hand to help.

What do I do if I have any further questions?

Please email the school office or call and speak to Mrs Stewart, our School Business Manager. There will also be an opportunity to ask questions on the evening school visit in June.

We are all really looking forward to working with you over the next seven years and once again welcome you to our High Ham community. We hope you enjoy your time with us.

Yours faithfully

Jane Rosser
Head

