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Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2020

Dear Parents/Carers of RCM

We just wanted to clarify arrangements for transition over the last few weeks of school. Your child's teacher next year will be **Mrs Preston** and the teaching assistant in this class will be **Mrs Yorke**. (All staffing could change subject to Department for Education Guidance).

Over the next week, commencing 6<sup>th</sup> July, the staff in your child's class for next year will arrange with the staff in your child's bubble to come and meet the children outdoors for a short transition session. The sessions will happen at **1.30 pm to 2.30 pm on Tuesday and Thursday** so that all the children in school can attend at some time. Strict social distancing will take place at all times between staff and children, with more than 2 metres between the staff and children at all times. We hope that this will help your child to understand and feel comfortable with arrangements for next year. The staff will introduce themselves and talk a little about what Year 1 will be like. Unfortunately, at this time, the staff will be unable to show the children around the classroom.

**If your child is not attending school that week and you would like them to attend, please let the teacher know via Tapestry and they will agree with you which session your child can attend.** Your child will be able to access the school grounds via the gate at the back of school and you should pick them up from the same place at 2.30pm.

Your child will also receive a video from the Year 1 staff in their new class. In this video, the staff will introduce themselves and show the children around the key areas, where to come in and line up during the morning etc.


If your child has any questions, please ask them what they are and email them to [year1@swanlandschool.co.uk](mailto:year1@swanlandschool.co.uk)

**Please also note that during the final week of term (week commencing 13<sup>th</sup> July) there will be no wider provision for Reception children; we will be only open to Key Worker children.** This is so that we can provide transition support for the rest of the children in school and it will enable us to have enough space to be able to meet with all the children outdoors.


On Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2020, at the start of the new academic year, we hope to be able to arrange a full class get together/transition day with their previous year teacher. The children will then, in the afternoon, have the chance to visit their new classroom, see where the class line up etc and will then be prepared and confident for the next day, when they start in their new classroom. We hope this will alleviate any worries or concerns that the children have about starting a new year when they have not been able to do the usual transition work. Of course, all of this is dependent on Government guidelines and, if it is not possible, we may have to cancel this date and school would then start as usual on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September.

Thank you for your continuing support over the past few months, at this very difficult time.

Yours sincerely



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