



21 May 2025

Transition for Reception 2025

Dear Parent / Carer

It was really good to speak to you all over the last few weeks and as promised, here is a letter with more details of the arrangements I spoke about for transition into Reception.

Firstly, here are some important dates for your diary:

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| • Tuesday 10 June | Parents meeting | Arrive from 17:40, start 18:00 – 19:00 |
| • Week commencing 30 June | 1 st Transition afternoon | Children to attend one day 13:35 – 15:05 |
| • Week commencing 7 July | 2 nd Transition afternoons | Children to attend one day 13:35 – 15:05 |
| • Monday 21 July | Celebration Evening | Families invited to attend from 16:30 |

The meeting on 10 June is for parents/carers only (no children). You will be able to meet our team and our uniform supplier will be in attendance. We are informing you of this date well in advance in order for you to arrange childcare. It is to be held in the school hall; please enter via the main entrance.

Transition afternoons are to be attended by children only and on the specific days they are invited for. We will be in touch in due course regarding their specific days. Children are to wear comfortable clothes (not Larchwood uniform). Parents are to enter the school via the 'top gate'. It is important that your child attends both afternoons.

Every year parents of Larchwood are invited to our 'Celebration Evening'. This is an opportunity for them to look at their child's work, speak to the current teacher, introduce themselves to the next teacher and have a look around the school. It is well attended and brings a positive end to a successful year. I would like to extend this invite to our new Reception 2025 families. Between 16:30 and 19:00 please feel free to drop into the school (enter via the main entrance) and have a walk around at your leisure.

Only after the transition afternoons are complete, will we decide which classroom the children will be going into. Once this has been decided, we will send you a text confirming the teacher your child will have. You can expect to receive this message by the end of July. All children will be starting Larchwood during the month of September but not on the same day. Start dates will be sent to parents in a separate letter in due course. All children will attend full time from this date.

In the meantime, can I prompt you to sign up to X (formerly Twitter) and follow us (@LarchwoodPS) please. This will keep you updated with Larchwood life now and over the summer. We will also start sending you our weekly newsletter, News and Views.

Finally, at the beginning of June, keep an eye out for our Reception Online Booklet (Flipbook) we send out.

I look forward to a smooth transition into the school – welcome to the Larchwood family.

Mr S Bowsher
Headteacher

