

## Surrey Hills All Saints Primary School

an academy in The Good Shepherd Trust

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Dear Parents / Carers,

### Children Starting School in September 2020

I am writing to welcome all families that have been offered a Reception place for their child at Surrey Hills All Saints.

Firstly, thank you for choosing Surrey Hills All Saints for your child to take their first steps towards independence. We are looking forward to meeting you and your child in the coming months and would like to formally welcome you to Surrey Hills All Saints Primary.

As a school, we are committed to smooth and timely transitions that allow each child to settle in, get to know their teachers and make new friends. We believe parents/carers play a key role in this transition, you too need to feel reassured that your child is safe and happy. I can only imagine during this time of uncertainty, the natural worries and anxieties that occur when children are about to start school are exacerbated. As we don't know how long school closures will last, it is difficult for us to publish details of our usual transition programme. However, please let me reassure you that we will be thinking of ways we can prepare your child and give them the best possible start to school.

Starting school is a milestone for both you and your child. It is a time to be celebrated. Whilst we understand that current measures make this more difficult, we will do everything we can to ensure it stays that way and is a positive experience for everyone. We will be in touch over the summer term to inform you of our plans, but we also have to be prepared for plans to change should new guidance from the government be released.

Please keep an eye on our Twitter feed, Facebook page and our school website where we will be adding a new page that will be updated shortly with all transition arrangements. [www.surreyhillsprimaryschool.org.uk/](http://www.surreyhillsprimaryschool.org.uk/)

At Surrey Hills All Saints, we aim to build an excellent relationship between home and school. Whilst this may start off as more of a virtual relationship, this remains a priority for us. Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any further information – [westcott@surreyhills.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:westcott@surreyhills.surrey.sch.uk). Currently email is the best way to get in touch and we will respond as soon as we can.

We look forward to meeting you all in the coming months.

Yours Sincerely,



Mrs J Ratcliff

Headteacher