

# TRANSITION

Our transition timeline outlines what you can expect from our Reception.



# TIMELINE

Most children start primary school in the September after their fourth birthday. This means they will turn five during their first school year. Our Reception open evenings will take place in the autumn term where you can visit our setting and meet the Early Years team. When applying for a place at Barley Fields Primary School, you will be asked to apply online. Applications open in November and letters regarding this will be sent to you directly from Stockton on Tees Borough Council.

## A couple of months before start date...



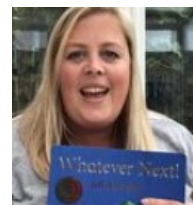
In March, parents will be informed of their child's school setting. At Barley Fields you will be invited to collect your child's Reception pack when attending our 'Welcome to Reception' open evening. The pack contains an 'All About Me' booklet, a transition story booklet, their start date and a log in for our online learning platform - Seesaw. Families are encouraged to access these resources to start interaction with staff. The Reception teachers will also visit childcare settings to meet your child and give these providers information to assist in transition.



**Don't Forget!** All paperwork must be returned before your child starts Reception!

## A couple of days before start date...

There will be a final visit for your child in the days before they start school. Each class will be allocated a time in the day to attend with their adults. Sometimes, children choose to wear their school uniform for this visit although this is not an expectation. At this point, your child will be able to see where their peg is in the cloakroom, find their tray and locate the toilets! The indoor and outdoor provision will be open for your child to explore and familiarise themselves.



We offer 'stay and play' visits on an evening before your child starts Reception. This is your opportunity to come into the setting with your child to meet the team and spend time with other new starters. As children who already attend our Nursery are familiar with staff and the provision, these visits are for children from different settings only. These visits are the perfect opportunity to look around the provision and ask any questions you may have. Staff use these visits to get to know each child and this helps us plan our provision for your child's start date.

