

Welcome to Diamond Class

What to expect in the first few days?

- Arriving at school- I will be on the path to greet the children as they arrive at school. Mrs Harrison and Mrs Smith will be in the classroom to welcome and support the children as they enter. Activities will be out to explore with friends. Parents are initially welcome to take the children to the door, but we hope that as confidence grows children will start to go up the path with more independence, maybe meeting friends on the playground to walk up together. Please be careful not to block the door. If your child is upset, you may enter using the side gate and settle/ play with your child here. A member of the team will come to support entry to the classroom when available. If a child is upset don't worry, I will call you if there are any concerns. I know I have your most treasured possessions!
- The children will come to the carpet for the register.



- We will then start our day in small groups to share a story, share our news and consider our learning for the day ahead. We can ask questions, share ideas and have fun getting to know each other.
- Each morning there will be a short carpet session of phonics and later some maths. The length of these sessions will be short at first, developing as the year progresses.



- In between our small group or carpet sessions we will have chance to “play”, learning along the way with the planned interactions that take place with our new friends and adults.
- We will learn the routines of our new classroom, discuss the rules that keep us safe and get busy and creative to make it our own.
- Snack and lunch times the children will be supported.



- Initially we will not join in assembly or playtimes with the older children, we will make sure we have gained our confidence and feel comfortable in our own classroom first. The new experiences together will be the next adventure!
- Quite spaces will be available if needed. If children are tired and struggling, I will call you to discuss.
- At the end of the day the children will come down the path in a line. When your child is at the front please come forward, wave, or do a little dance! I will send them to you. It is useful if you stand in a similar spot each day.
- PE lessons will not start until we have settled and are secure in the classroom. Our PE days will be confirmed, along with Forest School details, in a class newsletter at the start of the term.



- I hope this information will be useful to reassure your child over the summer, and to reassure you (I know who generally needs it more!).