



BOTLEY C of E (Controlled) Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

First of all, we'd like to extend a warm welcome to yourself and your child and we are thrilled to have them join Botley C of E Primary School in September!

Please ensure you drop in your child's birth certificate or passport and proof of address to the school office by Thursday 30th April to accept your child's school place.

New Intake Induction Evening Meetings

We understand how important it is to develop good relationships with parents. There are huge benefits to working as a close partnership and we value the support that you can give your child throughout their school life. We want this staff-parent partnership to begin as soon as possible, so would like to invite you to attend two meetings with us to give you important information about your child starting school and also give you the opportunity to meet the Reception Unit staff. These meetings will last approximately an hour and are a fantastic way to build these positive partnerships early on. These are also a way to meet many different members of our school community, such as School Governors, the Parish Vicar and FOBS (Friends of Botley School) as well as the other agencies that work alongside us. Together, we can build a positive and strong partnership which will support your child's learning journey. We really hope you can join us for these meetings which will take place as follows:

- **Tuesday 2nd June 2026, 6.30pm – Induction Meeting 1.** This meeting will take place **VIA ZOOM**. The meeting information is shown below.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83301227818?pwd=jbqQJRK3abI07bIZS3qBPkF0pQXVpX.1>

Meeting ID: 833 0122 7818

Passcode: 406911

Join instructions

<https://us02web.zoom.us/join/83301227818/invitations?signature=RwuY9klwJKfXkSvdEGiQSLvSr5qWKau6VI5rNwOwjLI>

- **Tuesday 30th June 2026, 6.30pm – Induction Meeting 2.** This meeting will take place **IN PERSON** in the school hall and give you the opportunity to meet other members of our school community.

It is important that you try to attend both meetings, as each will give you different information.

Children's Summer Visits to School

During the Summer term, we would like to invite all of our new children to come into school for three 'Stay and Play' transition sessions. This will give the children a chance to meet their new teachers and explore their new classroom environment. We ask that parents leave children with teachers at the main office and pick up them after the session has ended. The first sessions will be organised into smaller groups according to the child's surname. The dates for these sessions are as follows:

Stay and Play Session 1:

Children whose surnames begin with A to L: **Tuesday 9th June 2026, 9.30am – 11.00am**

Children whose surnames begin with M to Z: **Wednesday 10th June 2026, 9.30am – 11.00am**

Stay and Play Session 2:

All children: **Thursday 25th June 2026, 9.30am – 11.00am**

Stay and Play Session 3:

All children: **Wednesday 8th July 2026, 9.30am – 11.00am**

During this Stay and Play session on Wednesday 8th July, you are welcome to join our family support worker Mrs Thomson at Botley All Saints Church (across the road from school) from 9.30am - 11.00am where the kettle will be on! A great opportunity to meet other new school parents. Mrs Thomson is always happy to help and offer support if needed with school transition.

This is a very exciting time for us and for you as a family and we look forward to working together to ensure that your child has a happy and rewarding time in Reception and throughout their time at Botley School!

Mr. J. Cooil
Headteacher
Botley C of E Primary School