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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for choosing Beacon View Primary Academy for your child starting school in September 2021.

Starting school is always a big moment and we think developing strong links between home and school is the best way to ensure a positive experience for everybody. As such, we would like to give you some information about how we are going to do this. **Some of our plans may be affected if the restrictions for Covid-19 change or do not ease as planned and so these are provisional dates and we will confirm them with you nearer the time.**

Firstly, with this letter, you will find our *Starting School Booklet*. This will provide you with some basic information about the school and some good advice on things you can do to help prepare your child for starting school. You can also find out more about the school by visiting our website at <https://www.beaconviewprimary.co.uk/> and, if you follow us on social media, you will get a good idea of life in school currently. Why not follow us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/thenewbeaconview/>

We hope to be able to invite you in to visit the school and meet our new principal, Mrs Sally Hodgson, who starts at Beacon View on 1<sup>st</sup> July. Mrs Hodgson is very excited to meet our new Year R children and their families and so the date of Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> June has provisionally been booked in for tours of the school. We want to do this as soon as possible to allow you to meet us and ask any questions you have but, as mentioned above, this may have to be pushed back to July depending on Covid-19 restrictions. Our priority is, and will always be, keeping all of our children, parents and staff safe.

In September, your child will be invited into school for induction sessions during the week beginning the 6<sup>th</sup> September. These sessions will build up over the week so that your child is ready to start full time from the 13<sup>th</sup> September. Again, these are provisional dates at the moment and how these will run will be confirmed nearer the time but this is our normal pattern and it works well for the children and their families.

Between now and our meeting with you, our staff will be working behind the scenes to find out as much as possible about your child from any current nursery or preschool settings they attend. This gives the teachers a very good idea of how to start getting ready for your child and their current strengths. To help us do this, we need some information from you. We would appreciate it if you could email us and let us know when you have accepted the place at Beacon View. Please put the full name of your child and their pre-school in the email. Please use the following email: [school@beaconviewprimary.co.uk](mailto:school@beaconviewprimary.co.uk)



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We have included two forms for you to complete, one from the School Nursing Service to give us information about your child's health and the other for free school meals. Please complete both documents, even if you are not sure if you are entitled to free school meals and then return them to the school by popping them into the self-addressed envelope and putting it in the post. The postage has already been paid and so this won't cost you anything.

Again, thank you for choosing Beacon View Primary as your child's school, we very much look forward to meeting you all in the near future. Take care and stay safe and well and if you require any advice or support please do let us know.

Yours sincerely,

*Rebecca Mitchell*

Mrs R Mitchell  
Interim Head of School