

## NORTH NIBLEY C. OF E. (AIDED) PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers of our Reception Intake, September 2021

In my 32 years as a teacher, and 17 of those in school leadership, there has never been a more testing time for schools, working within the restrictions of the coronavirus pandemic and blending our teaching, online and in-person, to meet the needs of our learners. Never-the-less, we are optimistic for the future – the future of your children in our care – and in difficult circumstances we have pulled together to provide you with, I hope, reassurance that your child's education is in safe hands.

You will find, attached, our Parent Pack, which traditionally we have delivered and 'unpacked' with you face-to-face. There is a lot of information to take in, and those 'new' to our school may find that they have a number of questions (and that's good!) Please feel free to ask me by email or phone, or wait until our Welcome meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> July. I remain hopeful of a real meeting before the end of the summer term, even if that means social distancing in the school playground. But only if it is safe.

You should also find attached handouts which supplement the pack. As we approach the 1<sup>st</sup> July this page will provide all the information you require for a successful start.

There are also five items labelled 'Please return...'. Please would you read, consider, sign and return these at your earliest convenience? This will help us make a smooth start in September. Most can be emailed back to [admin@northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:admin@northnibley.gloucs.sch.uk). In these days of remote teaching and learning, we've adjusted to accepting photographs of completed forms too. The Teddy Bear sheet, however, is best brought to school in person by your child, and we recognise that that could be some time away.

Miss Allen, the Class 1 teacher, is thinking through the logistics of enabling an introduction to school, perhaps a 'story time' on the sports field, but as you will appreciate, we will do nothing to compromise your safety, so watch this space!

In the meantime, stay safe and well,

Best wishes,  
Paul Batchelor  
Head Teacher