May 2024

**Starting School – September 2024**

Dear Parents / Carers,

We want to wish a very warm welcome to Hatchell Wood Primary Academy to all of our new families.

Over the next few weeks we will be sending out lots of information and updating our school website as part of our transition process. We will have some key dates for information sessions and getting to know you sessions which will be held over the next couple of months. Therefore, we would like to update you on a few key events:

* The Early Years Team will be hosting an open evening for you to attend which would include all the information you need to know about starting school. There will also be an opportunity to look at the classroom environments and ask any questions you have. The session will be on **Wednesday 19th June at 4pm.** This is a **parent and carer only** session and will include an opportunity to meet the early years team. If you are unable to make the open evening please be assured that we will also be sending out packs with all the information in and designating part of our website to new parents. On the website you will find all the relevant information about starting school and this will include photographs of our environment.
* We will also be carrying out visits to Preschools and Nurseries to meet your child before they start school in September. This is a great opportunity to get to know your child in an environment they are familiar with.
* We will also be offering a series of visits for children to come into school to help them become familiar with the school environment and to meet the team. We will be sending out an email over the next few weeks with a booking form to complete.

For now, you will find information on the school website (hatchellwood.com) under the tab entitled: Early Years. Please check this for updates and if you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to get in touch.

We look forward to meeting you soon,

Mrs Hickey Mrs Durkin Mrs Atkinson

Reception Teachers