



Dear Parents and Carers

We are delighted that you and your child are joining Wheeler's Lane Primary School this coming September. On behalf of the Staff, Governors, children and parents, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you and your family to our school.

In my previous communications, I set out our transition plan. Unfortunately, due to the current COVID situation, with the rise in cases, Birmingham City Council have asked school not to carry out any in person transition and that all communications need to be done virtually.

We will need to change our current plans to make all of our communication virtual. We will share the information with you as follows;

- Welcome to school presentation will be recorded and shared with you during the week commencing Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2021.
- We will advise you who your child's class teacher will be week 28<sup>th</sup> June
- Class teachers will record a video welcoming the children to school and talking about starting in September will be shared on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2021.
- Virtual Welcome coffee morning Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at 9.30am. Invites will be sent out to your email addresses.

We will keep in touch to update you on any other changes over the Summer Term as we hear them from the Department for Education.

We hope that many of your questions will be answered by the information we share, please do not hesitate to email our office if you would like to contact me, at this point in time, email [enquiry@wheelerslane-pri.bham.sch.uk](mailto:enquiry@wheelerslane-pri.bham.sch.uk) marked for attention of Mrs Sumner and I will do my best to share information about our school and answer any questions you may have regarding your child starting school. **Also, if you have any specific information regarding how we allocate the classes please email the school.**

We fully understand how worried you might be about your child's induction but the most important thing at the moment is that you and your child are safe and well. Every single child in Birmingham, that will start Reception in the Autumn Term, will be in the same position as yours. Our promise to you is that we will continue to work in partnership, to ensure your child's start to school is both as exciting and positive as we can collectively make it.

In the meantime, please find our Welcome pack of information enclosed with the paperwork that needs completing and returning. Please could we ask that you return it to school at your earliest convenience, if possible before Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July. We are also hoping to get you connected to our communications system ParentMail soon so please look out for a text to enable you to sign up to it.

We look forward to welcoming you and your child into school once it is safe to do so.

Kindest regards

*Mrs Sumner*

Assistant Headteacher – EYFS Lead