



ABBOT'S LEA SCHOOL

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Dear Families

Ref: Your child's transition into Abbot's Lea School

We are delighted to welcome you and your child to Abbot's Lea School.

We firmly believe in working in united partnership with our families. With that in mind, we want to start as we mean to go on, by listening to your wealth of knowledge about your child, so that we can take it onboard when planning our educational provision.

We would like to invite you to a transition meeting here at the school on one of the dates below:

- Tuesday, 6 June 2023,
- Wednesday, 7 June 2023

The meeting will last approximately 30 minutes and we aim to be flexible in offering a time that suits you (between the hours of 9:15 – 16:00).

The school office will contact you to arrange your transition meeting in due course.

During the meeting, we will put together a **One-page Profile** of your child and discuss their interests, likes and dislikes.

Some families bring along some recent photographs or videos to show us, which we find really helpful, so please feel free to share on the day.

We look forward to meeting you in June and then, welcoming your child to our school for the Transition Week taking place during the last week of this year (10-14 July 2023), when your child will have a chance to join his next year's class team and peers for as many or as few sessions as you see fit. We find that the Transition Week helps lower student's and family's anxieties over the summer and, having spent some time with us in July, September feels more familiar and homely.

We want to reassure you that our staff are highly skilled and incredibly knowledgeable, with broad experience, allowing them to work very successfully with students with most complex special educational and therapeutic needs. Nothing is ever too much trouble and we are here to help!

Yours sincerely

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