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Dear Parents/Carers

We are delighted that your child has been offered a place at St Peter's Primary School in September. We are writing to inform you about some of the measures that we will be taking to ease your child's transition into the school.

We will be holding a meeting at **6.15 pm on Tuesday 22 June** for you to come into school to hear about the curriculum and organisation in our reception year. There will also be an outline of further aspects of the school. The SPSA (St Peter's School Association) will also be holding a second hand uniform sale.

Our school uniform is supplied by Hewitt's of Croydon. You can visit their shop in Church Street or purchase uniform online from the Hewitt's [website](#).

We have a buddy system at St Peter's in which your child will be paired with a child in Years 5. The older pupil will write to your child later this term and will spend some time working with them when they enter the school in September. The reception children will thus get to know some of the older children and have someone to identify with in the playground and around the school generally. This system has proved very successful in the past.

In September, before your child starts school, we will be inviting new reception parents and their children into school for one hour slots in small groups for "Stay and Play" sessions to meet staff and have a chat. We ask that you make child-care arrangements for younger siblings in order that you do not need to bring them with you. These sessions will take place between Thursday 9 and Monday 13 September. We will send you details of your allocated time slot when these have been arranged.

We will shortly send you information about how to register your child for the Breakfast and After School Clubs, if you require before and after school child-care.

Reception children will start school part time on **Wednesday 15 September**. For the rest of that week this will just be for the morning or afternoon session (9.00 - 11.30 am or 12.30 - 3.00 pm). Children will not be able to attend Breakfast Club or After School Club on these days. Information regarding which class your child is in, the names of their teachers and whether or not they will be attending in the morning or the afternoon will be sent to you in due course.

Children will then start full time days (8.55 am -3.15 pm) on **Monday 20 September**. Please note that Thursday 23 September is a planned INSET day, and the school will be closed to all pupils.

While your child is in the infant years (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) they are currently entitled to a free school meal under the government's Universal Free School meal scheme. If because of your financial situation you have an underlying entitlement to free school meals (FSM) it is beneficial to both yourself and the school that you apply for this. You can do so using the online form which you can access [here](#). If you apply before 28 June and let us know that you do have an underlying entitlement to FSM, we will give you a £50.00 school uniform voucher to use in Hewitt's of Croydon.

We enclose a sample of our current school lunchmenu. Your child can of course bring a packed lunch if they so wish.

School milk is free for all children under five, and you can register your child [here](#).

We are looking forward to your child and family joining our St Peter's community and look forward to seeing you on 22 June.

Yours sincerely

Caroline Barriball and Samantha Sandle
Co-Headteachers

St Peter's Primary School Entry Arrangements for September 2021

Tuesday 22 June 6.15 pm	Parents' meeting at school
Thursday 9 September - Monday 13 September	Stay and Play sessions - times to be confirmed
For the first few days in school the children will be divided into two groups, one attending in the morning and one in the afternoon.	
Wednesday 15 September - Friday 17 September (3 days)	Morning Group - 9.00 - 11.30 am Afternoon Group - 12.45 - 3.15 pm
Monday 20 September onwards	All children full-time 8.55 am - 3.15 pm
Thursday 23 September	INSET day (school closed for the day)
25 - 29 October	Half-term holiday (school closed)