

TRANSFER TO JUNIOR SCHOOL – SEPTEMBER 2020

4th June 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Cupernham Junior School

Starting a new school is an adventure for all concerned, but we recognise that it can also be a worrying time both for children and their parents. It is therefore important that we do all we can to ensure that our new Year 3 children settle quickly and happily into their new school.

At Cupernham Junior School, our induction process is designed to ensure that children and parents are familiar with the environment, staff and day-to-day running of the school. The current period of uncertainty due to the Covid -19 outbreak has meant that this year's induction process has had to change to meet the additional challenges and restrictions which are in place. Despite these changes, however, preparations for our new students remain extremely important to us and staff will continue to ensure that this period remains as seamless as possible given the circumstances.

The transition process for your child is an on-going process that began at the beginning of this academic year and a number of induction activities have already taken place. On several occasions since September, our Year 3 teachers visited the Year 2 children in their classes; this enabled the children to share their existing classroom environment and experiences with a teacher from the Junior School.



Furthermore, the Year 2 children visited the Year 3 classrooms in order to share learning and work closely together. Examples of this included a 'shared play' on our site, looking at the learning during our Creative Week and watching the matinee performance of 'Oliver' in December. As a result of this, your child should already be familiar with both our school building and staff.

In addition to the activities directly involving the children, the Year 2 and Year 3 teachers have also been working closely together as part of the important process of passing on information about the children's attainment and progress. This liaison will continue so that we can learn as much as possible about your child's learning before September arrives.

To continue the induction process, our Year 3 team have put together a 'Welcome to Cupernham Junior School' power point for you to share with your child at home. This offers an insight into life at Cupernham Juniors for a Year 3 child, with some of the slides including:

- Our school motto and vision
- Our school day (timings and lessons)
- Topic titles
- Homework
- Uniform
- Rewards
- Clubs

Hopefully, this will provide you with some of the information you need to know about your child's journey through Year 3

To help us know more about your child, we have also attached a 'getting to know you' sheet that we would like you to fill in and send back to us. This should link perfectly to the children's first topic of Year 3 – 'The Wonders Of Me!'

When you have completed this, please email the completed sheet to: **adminoffice@cupernham-jun.hants.sch.uk**



We look forward to welcoming your child as a new member of our school community and will write to you nearer the time with further information, including who your child's class teacher will be.

We will also let you know if subsequent changes to government policy allow us the opportunity of setting up some additional 'physical' visits to the school for your child.

Finally, you may be aware that from September our new Headteacher, Simon Mitchell-Innes, will be joining the school. Mr Mitchell-Innes will be writing to parents before the end of term to introduce himself. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact us should you have any further questions.

Take care and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Yours sincerely,

Jonathan Clay, Headteacher

Jade Hendry, Deputy Headteacher

Sarah Hall, Year 3 Leader