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*Widening Horizons, Raising Aspirations*

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Dear Parents and Carers,

**Welcome to Briary**

We are delighted that you have accepted your child's place at Briary Primary School.

'Unprecedented' is a word that has probably been over-used recently, but I cannot think of a better one to describe the past few weeks in school. None of our usual summer term activities have taken place so far, and in all likelihood, won't now. Many of those would be all about preparing your children for the first steps into 'big school', so we are currently looking at what we can offer so that both you and your child feel ready and prepared for when those events do take place.

We are very much aware that many, if not most, of the children due to start school with us in September, have not been able to attend their pre-school setting since 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2020. We know that you will be as keen as we are to resume their education, but are mindful of the impact that missing 4 months of their Foundation stage experience immediately before transition to Primary school could have. Therefore, our plan at this stage is to have a more staggered entry into our Reception classes. This will also enable us to still have the 1:1 meetings between yourselves and our teachers, as well as our usual transition activities before your children start to come in full-time.

I will be writing to you again in the next week or two with a more concrete plan, but would like to reassure you that whatever is decided, we will have your child's well-being as a priority and a successful transition to school as our aim.

Until then we have included, for your information, our ...

- Reception 2020 Booklet
- Ready for School Leaflet
- Attendance Leaflet

We are all looking forward to meeting you and your child as soon as we can.

Kind regards,

*Mrs N Murrell*  
Headteacher

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Key Stage 1 Lead