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Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 2 transition to Padnell Junior School

As we are now well into our Summer term we are beginning our transition activities between our school and Padnell Junior School. We have a strong working relationship with the Junior School and to ensure a smooth transition for your child we have developed a transition timetable so that all children can feel confident and secure when they arrive in September to join their Year 3 classes.

There are several things that we have organised to help the children become more familiar with the Junior school and staff. These include:

- Buddy System- Each Year 2 child is paired with a Year 3 buddy and throughout the Summer term they have opportunities to meet with them. They will take part in question and answer sessions, writing letters and participating in joint sports afternoons lead by the Year 3 teachers.
- Junior School tours- Year 3 will take small groups of Year 2's on a tour around their school during the school day and children can ask any questions that may arise.
- National Den Building Day- On the 16th June Year 2 and 3 will take part in den building at Joey's field along with their teachers to further develop friendships with their buddies and new teachers.
- Year 3 teachers making visits to Year 2 lessons. Teachers will observe the teaching strategies used and will work alongside both teachers and children in their lessons. This is an opportunity for the teachers to develop an understanding of the needs of the different children and for the children and staff to get to know each other before September.
- End of Year performances- Children from year 3 will attend our dress rehearsal for our Leavers performance.
- The Year 2 staff and Year 3 staff will also meet to pass relevant information on about all the children.

All of the above will support your child's transition and help to prepare them for their exciting start at Padnell Junior School in September. All of these events are in addition to the transition day that will also take place next half term on Wednesday 5th July.

If you have any questions or concerns please speak to your class teacher.

Yours Sincerely,

Miss Harrison and Miss Jenkinson
(Year 2 Leader) (Year 3 Leader, Padnell Junior School)

Our Padnell promise to be a: **G**iving citizen
Resilient learner
Original thinker
Wise worker

