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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to our Padnell Family. We are delighted that your child is coming to our school. We recognise that this is an exciting and busy time for both you and your child and we look forward to working with you to make this as smooth and enjoyable as possible. Below you will find a list of dates and events that will help you get to know the school and team and help us get to know you and your child.

We pride ourselves in being a friendly, welcoming and caring school serving the community of Cowplain. We believe in providing your child with a rich and varied educational experience that ignites their thirst for knowledge, enables them to grow into confident and caring citizens and provides them with the life skills they will need for the future. We value the relationship we build with you and always appreciate your feedback and comments knowing that working together ensures your child's success here at Padnell.

Dates for your diary

- **Thursday 10th May @ 18:00 – 19:00 Meeting for New Year R Parents**

A general Information evening, for parents (no children) delivered by the Headteacher and Senior Year R staff providing you with further information about the school. At this event you will receive your information pack which will include all the important forms needed before your child can start school. These need to be returned to school by the meeting on Thursday 21st June at the very latest (we would be grateful if you could bring them with you to one of the Stay & Play sessions before this date).

Uniform will be available to view on this evening. Please use the order form in your pack to place your order before Friday 8th June. Drop this into school with full payment (cash or cheque made payable to Hampshire County Council), and we will have your order ready for collection at the meeting on 21st June.

- **Sunday 13th May @ 11:00 – 14:00 Summer Fayre**

You are warmly invited to our annual Summer fundraising event. There will be lots of exciting stalls and games including tombola's, cake stall, a Grand Raffle and bouncy castle amongst other things.

- **Tuesday 5th June @ 10.00-11.00 Stay and Play**

An informal and relaxed opportunity to meet other parents and children starting school here in September. Refreshments will be available and you will be joined by some members of the year R team.

- **Monday 11th June @ 1.30-2.30 Stay and Play** – another session as above.

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Our Padnell promise to be a: Giving citizen
Resilient learner
Original thinker
Wise worker



- **Thursday 21st June @ 18:00 – 19:00 Meeting for Year R parents**

A session just for adults where you will find out your child's class teacher and visit the Reception wing. We will also provide you with details of when your child will start school. You will have the opportunity to talk to Governors and members of the PTA and purchase school uniform (an order form must be completed for any purchase). Please bring your completed documents, if you haven't already returned them.

- **Induction Visits for your child** – So that your child becomes familiar with their class teacher and gets to make new friends straight away, we run the following sessions. You stay with your child for the first 2 sessions and we politely request that where possible siblings are not brought along and preferably 1 adult per child as space is limited within the classroom and too busy an environment can unsettle some children.

For the third session we invite you to drop your child with their class teacher and join us for a coffee/tea in the Hall. You are welcome to stay in the Hall for the duration or leave your child with us to enjoy time in their classroom and then return at 11.30 to join us for a group picnic in our lovely garden area. Please ensure you have a packed lunch for you both. Our school catering team join us on this date so you can sample some of the menu.

- Tuesday 26th June @ 13:30 – 14:30
- Friday 29th June @ 9:30 – 11:00
- Wednesday 4th July @ 9:30 – 12:30 (Picnic)

We look forward to meeting you all soon. If you have any queries in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs Mandy Grayson
Headteacher

Summary of Dates for your Calendar/Diary

Thursday 10th May 6-7pm (Adults only)

Sunday 13th May 11-2pm – Summer Fayre for the whole family

Tuesday 5th June 10-11am

Monday 11th June 1.30 – 2.30pm

Thursday 21st June 6-7pm (Adults only)

Inductions:

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