

# Moorlands Schools Federation

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Comprising:  
Moorlands Infant School  
& Moorlands Junior School



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Dear Parents/ Carers,

I hope you have had a restful summer break and you and your child are looking forward to starting school. Since our last communication with you we would like to update you on some changes and remind you of some important dates.

I would like to apologise for the length and detail of this letter but due to the current situation we need to give you as much information as we possibly can. If you need support with any of the information given, please contact the school office and we can speak to you about anything over the phone.

For both the Parent and Child Meetings and Stay and Play sessions we ask that please could you wear a face covering as required by the school's risk assessment.

## **Parent and Child Meetings – please bring your child’s birth certificate**

Hopefully you have been able to book a parent and child meeting. If you haven’t booked a meeting yet, then please call the office to do this as soon as possible. Please see previous letter sent for more information about this meeting (also attached to this email).

We can only allow 1 parent to attend this meeting. You will arrive via the **infant site**, located on Moorfields Road. Please wait until a member of staff guides you to the Reception area. Here you will have your meeting in the ‘Reception outside area’ with your child’s class teacher. You will be sat at a desk 2 metres apart. Your child will be encouraged to explore and play in their classroom whilst you and your class teacher have an informal discussion. At all times you must try to stay at least 2 metres apart from any other adult.

Your child will wash their hands before and after touching any resources. We will also have hand sanitiser available as well for both you and your child.

## **Stay and Play**

Hopefully you have been able to book 2 stay and play sessions. If you haven’t booked your sessions yet, then please call the office to do this as soon as possible. Please see previous letter sent for more information about these sessions (also attached to this email).

We can only allow 1 parent at a time to attend the stay and play sessions. You will arrive via the **infant site**, located on Moorfields Road. Please wait until a member of staff guides you to the Reception area.

Here your child will be encouraged to explore the classroom and play with the other children. At all times you must try to stay at least 2 metres apart from any other adult.

Your child will wash their hands before and after touching any resources. We will also have hand sanitiser available as well for both you and your child to use. Please feel free to join in and explore



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with your child but at this time we ask for you to please stay in the outside area. Tea and coffees will be available in the outside area; you are more than welcome to bring your own drinks container.

Where groups are at maximum capacity (10 adults), we will ask for there to be a clear divide between adults; keeping to separate parts of the outside area. The 2 groups will have 5 adults at either end of the outside area. This will be clearly explained at the time of event.

Dates:

You need to book via the office:

**Thursday 3rd September – Wednesday 9th September:** Parent and Child Meetings (alternative to Home Visits)

**Thursday 10th - Thursday 17th September:** Stay and Play Sessions

Transition after booked events:

**Friday 18th September - Friday 25th September:** AM and PM sessions

Mornings (8.40am-11.15am)

Afternoons (1.00pm-3.15pm)

**Monday 28th September – Friday 2nd October:** AM and Lunch Time

8:40am - 1:30pm

**Monday 5th October:** Full time

8:35am - 3.15pm - 8.55am (when the register is taken)

Unfortunately we will have to **cancel the Teddy Bears Picnic**, hopefully we can organise this later in the year.

Please feel free to contact the school office for any questions or concerns. We have sent through lots of letters and information in the post so please get in touch if you are missing or have lost your letters. We are very appreciative that during this time your child's settling in sessions are going to be slightly different due to safety precautions. This is our 'new normal' and we will be working as hard as we can to ensure your child feels safe and happy about their school. It is critical that you also work in partnership with us to encourage your child's excitement even if you are feeling anxious yourselves. We are looking forward to meeting you and your child in the next coming weeks.

Yours sincerely

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