



Midsomer Norton Primary School

An inclusive, community school in the heart of Midsomer Norton.

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Dear Parents,

As the summer months approach, we are all looking forward to the exciting milestone of your child starting primary school in September. This is a significant step in their development, and we want to partner with you to ensure they feel happy, confident, and well-prepared for this new adventure.

To help you support your child during this transition, we would like to direct your attention to a valuable resource that offers guidance on how to best prepare them for starting Reception.

Please take some time to read the information available at this link:

<https://startingreception.co.uk/>

This website provides helpful insights into the key areas of development that are crucial for a smooth start to primary school. It covers:

- **Personal Development:** Fostering independence, self-confidence, and a positive attitude towards learning.
- **Social Development:** Encouraging interaction with others, sharing, taking turns, and developing friendships.
- **Emotional Development:** Helping your child understand and manage their feelings, build resilience, and cope with new situations.
- **Physical Development:** Supporting their gross and fine motor skills, which are important for activities in the classroom.

The site also offers practical strategies that you can easily incorporate into your daily routines to foster your child's independence and build their confidence. Additionally, it provides valuable information and support for parents of children with additional needs, ensuring a positive and inclusive start for everyone.

We believe that by working together, we can make this transition a positive and enjoyable experience for your child. Reading through the information on the provided link will equip you with valuable tools and knowledge to support their readiness for the Reception year. If you have any questions or would like to discuss your child's transition further, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. We are here to support you every step of the way.

Sincerely,

Ms Sarah Biss & The Team at MSN Primary School