

## **Gainsborough Primary and Nursery School**

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Dear Parent/Carer

We are delighted that you have chosen Gainsborough Primary and Nursery School as your child's first school and we look forward to welcoming them in to one of our Reception classes in September and working with them over the coming years.

We know that many of you may be feeling anxious at this time, particularly with the current school closures due to Covid 19. We would like to assure you that we will be doing everything we can to make sure that your child's start to Gainsborough is as smooth and worry free as possible. Our arrangements for new starters may need to differ this year, but we will still provide opportunities for you to find out all you need to know, for you and your child to meet their teacher and have visits to their classroom to help them settle in. Initially, parent meetings may need to carried out remotely, but we will be making contact with all of our new families over the coming weeks to explain this in more detail.

The main aim of our induction programme is to ensure that your child feels secure, valued and included. Your child will need to adapt to the daily routines of school, become familiar with a new environment and also begin to form positive friendships and relationships with lots of new children and adults. We are as frustrated as you are that we cannot start this as we normally would, in order to begin you and your child's new and exciting adventure. We are sure that you appreciate and understand the reasons for this in the current situation and that you will bear with us until we know that it is safe for staff and pupils to return to school.

In the meantime, we have included within this welcome pack as much information as we can to help you prepare for September. We have also included some 'common concerns', which we hope you will find useful.

If your child is not currently attending Gainsborough Nursery, can you please complete the enclosed registration form and return it to school by Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May, ensuring that you have included an email address to make communication between yourselves and school easier during the closure.

We are very much looking forward to meeting you and your child and welcoming them to 'Family Gainsborough'.

Yours sincerely

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Mrs J Nurse Principal









