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Transition programme for children starting in Year R in September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, we would like to extend a warm welcome to you and your children as you start your journey with us at Sparsholt School. We are all excited about getting to know you all and becoming part of our school community.

Starting school is an incredibly important milestone, and we want to make sure that you and your children have the best experience. We have therefore put together a transition programme that will hopefully enable those of you new to the school, to start to get to know other members of the school community, and for all the children to feel comfortable and confident about starting school.

The events we will be holding are as follows:

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| June Monday 1st 4-5pm | Welcome meeting for new parents <ul style="list-style-type: none">This is an opportunity for you to meet the Willow class team and find out about our school routines, uniforms and will give you the chance to ask any questions. |
| June 15th, 16th and 17th | Pre-school liaison <ul style="list-style-type: none">Teachers will spend time visiting each of the children at the preschool settings. Speaking with their key workers and finding out more about their interests and needs as well as playing with and getting to know the children. |
| Tuesday 16th June 1:15pm to 3:15pm | School Sports Day – Field <ul style="list-style-type: none">Please feel free to come along and watch our school sports day event. There will be a race for pre-schoolers to join in too! |
| Tuesday 23rd June 10.00am to 11.00am | Welcome to Willow – Stay and Play Class session 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Children and their families will be able to spend time in Willow class so that they can experience their classroom environment and meet their classmates. |
| Wednesday 1st July 10.00am to 11.00am | Stay and Play in Willow Class session 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Another chance for the children to familiarise themselves with the classroom and staff whilst enjoying a variety of activities. Parents meet with Mrs Cutler in the hall. |

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| Friday 17th July 10.00am to 11.00am | Stay and Play in Willow Class session 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none">Children will again be able to spend time in Willow class so that they can experience their classroom environment and meet their classmates whilst parents meet with some of our FoSS parents (Friends of Sparsholt School) and the providers of our after school club 'Toast and Tea'. |
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September 2026

Home Visits.

At the beginning of the autumn term, we will be carrying out home visits. We believe these informal visits are an essential part of successful transition into Year R because they help build strong, trusting relationships between the school, the child and their families. Home visits not only allow us to get to know your children as individuals in their own environment but also allow you to share any practical information about your child. It is planned for these to take place on **Wednesday 2nd September, Thursday 3rd September and Friday 4th September 2026**. We will be in contact with you to arrange these visits.

First day of school

The children's first day at school will be **Monday 7th September 2026**.

Arrangements for the first two weeks of term will be as follows:

| Date: | Drop off time | Location | Pick Up time | Location |
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| Monday 7 th September | 9.15am | Front Gate | 11.30am | Front Gate |
| Tuesday 8 th September | 9.15am | Front Gate | 11.30am | Front Gate |
| Wednesday 9 th September | 9.00am | Front Gate | 1.00pm | Front Gate |
| Thursday 10 th September | 9.00am | Front Gate | 1.00pm | Front Gate |
| Friday 11 th September | 9.00am | Front Gate | 3.30pm | Front Gate |

From Monday 14^h September 2026 children will be in school fulltime.

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Lunch provision:

- Children in Year R will be staying for lunch from **Wednesday 9th September** onwards. Children can bring a packed lunch from home or can order a hot meal from the school kitchen **free of charge.**

We are very much looking forward to seeing you and your children at our transition events and if you have questions or concerns please do contact us and we will be happy to help.

Kind regards,

Mrs Wollam and Mrs Wall