



**Southwold Primary
& Nursery School**

'Be all you can be and together we will shine.'

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Dear parent or carer,

RE: STARTING RECEPTION

We are delighted to welcome both you and your child to Southwold Primary and Nursery School. Your child is due to start Reception (Cherry class) from September 2020 and your child's teachers will be Mrs Holloway and Mrs Palsler.

We are dedicated to ensuring that the start of your child's learning journey at our school is as smooth as possible, therefore we would very much like to offer your child the following opportunity.

With your permission, we would like to set your child up on Tapestry, our online learning journey from as soon as possible. This will enable you to upload and share some of the lovely things your child does at home over the oncoming months and for us to start communicating with you and your child on a regular basis before your child starts Reception in September. Tapestry will also offer your child the opportunity to listen to stories and songs read by the early years' team so they can get to know us! In order to set up your child's Tapestry account, please can you read the attached letter and email your consent through to office@southwold.oxon.sch.uk

Please note, if your child already attends a nursery which uses Tapestry, then continue to use this and we will ensure the profile is transferred across to us in September.

As we are sure you are aware with the current situation the school is closed. As we currently have no timeline for when the school is likely to reopen we are unable to plan any play dates or home visits at this stage. However, as soon as we have further information on this, we will let you know... we are excited to get to know and meet you and your child as soon as possible.

Included in your pack today is:

- a special letter for your child
- a storybook all about our early years for you to share with your child
- a letter regarding your child's Tapestry consent

For the time being, please remember to look out for school news on our website, our Facebook page and also on Twitter.

We are so looking forward to working with you and your child during this exciting milestone in their lives. Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions or concerns.

Welcome to our Southwold family!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Helen Wollington
Principal

Mrs Emily Holloway
Assistant Principal and Early Years Lead