



## Foundation Stage Transitions/Inductions – St Saviour's School

### **Transition into St Saviour's Nursery**

**Play and Stay Sessions:** These are offered in the summer term to all parents and children. While the children get to know each other and the nursery environment, the nursery teacher meets with each parent/s in order to gather any relevant information prior to their child starting – parents are also asked to complete an initial visit form during these sessions. These usually take place in early July around the whole school transition days.



**'Welcome to Nursery' information evening:** This is held in the second half of the summer term. Parents are invited to an evening meeting, due to there being lots of information shared, we recommend children don't attend this session. During the evening the parents are shown a short presentation which lets them know about the nursery routines and what to expect in September. They are also given their child's starting date in September and the date of their home visit. A 'Welcome to School' pack is given out during the first Play and Stay session and time is spent with each parent going through the key points in the Nursery Handbook.

**Home Visits:** Parents are offered the opportunity to sign up for these during one of the Play and Stay sessions. Visits are confirmed during the 'Welcome to Nursery' evening. Home visits are usually carried out at different times during July but there is also the option to do these in the first week of September for those children who may benefit from having a visit nearer their start date. The nursery teacher alongside another member of the nursery staff attends each visit. The nursery officer spends time interacting and getting to know the child while the other member of staff speaks with parents/carers and learns more about their child. This is a valuable opportunity to find out about likes, dislikes, experiences, opportunities and more about them as individuals.

**Coffee, Cake and Chaos:** All parents and children are invited to attend a final Play and Stay session (held during the first week in September, a day or two before the first children start nursery).



## Transition into St Saviour's Reception Class

**Play and Stay Sessions:** These usually take place during the whole school transition days in July. Children who attend our nursery automatically spend the full day in their new class. Children who will start in our Reception classes in September who are not pupils in our nursery class are invited to attend a morning or afternoon session and do not stay for lunch. These sessions are not compulsory however uptake of these sessions has always been very good and feedback suggests they are really valuable to the child.



**Children who do not attend our nursery:** During the second half of the summer term, the Reception teachers aim to visit all children who will be joining our Reception classes from a setting other than St Saviour's Nursery. Each visit lasts approximately 30 minutes and time will be spent interacting and getting to know the child as well as receiving any relevant information from the child's key worker. The Reception teacher also attends the island transition meeting which is an opportunity to discuss pupils moving from nurseries to school reception settings.



**'Welcome to Reception' information evening:** This is usually held in the second half of the summer term. Parents are invited to an evening meeting. During the evening the parents are shown a short presentation which lets them know a little about our Reception routines and what to expect in September. They are also introduced to their child's class teacher and teaching assistant, they are given their starting date in September (we stagger the starting dates over the first few days). There are examples of the school uniform available for parents to look at and local suppliers of school uniforms are invited to attend. All parents are given a copy of the School Handbook and a 'This is Me!' activity to complete with their child during the summer holidays.

