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Dear Families

TRANSITION PROGRAMME FOR SUMMER TERM 2025

I am very pleased to welcome you and your child to our school family. We are all very much looking forward to working with you over the coming years. I am writing to let you know about some dates for our Transition Programme. We know you and your child might be feeling both excited and anxious about the transition into Reception. We want to reassure you that we're here for you every step of the way. We hope the activities that we've planned will help put your child (and you!) at ease and get everyone feeling as excited as we are for the new school year. Details of our transition programme are as follows:

- Little Levans, with the wonderful John Brolly, will continue during the Summer Term. Parents and children can attend these sessions together for an afternoon of singing, storytelling and fun! The sessions will take place mostly every other Friday during the summer term between 1.30-2.30pm:
 - o 9th May
 - o 23rd May
 - o 6th June
 - o 13th June
 - o 4th July
- 'Getting to Know You' sessions where the children come into school and spend some time, without their parents, getting to know each other, the grown-ups and teachers they'll be working with as well as the learning environment. These dates are:
 - o Tuesday 3rd June 9.00-10.30am
 - o Friday 20th June 9.00-10.30am
 - O Monday 23rd June Friday 27th June (daily) 9.00-10.45am
 - Monday 7th July 9.00-11.45am
 - Wednesday 16th July 9.00-1.00pm (children are invited to eat lunch at the school with their peers on this day. They are welcome to bring either a packed lunch or to have a school dinner - they can choose on the day.
- Home visits. These are a really good way for staff to get to know both you and your child and vice versa in a relaxed atmosphere, exchanging information and planning your child's start in September. You'll have the chance to ask questions and to discuss any specific concerns you might have. Home visits will be take place on Wednesday 2nd July. Nearer the time, we'll contact you with a more specific time and further details. If this date is not possible, please contact the school office at your earliest convenience to arrange an alternative.

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I have enclosed some information about an activity to keep you busy between now and our first 'Getting to know you' session on **Tuesday 3rd June** and to help your child with their transition to the school. Each child will show the contents of their box and explain in simple terms what they mean to them.

It would be helpful for us to know whether you are planning to attend the sessions – we hope you are! So, please could you let us know by email whether you plan to attend. Don't worry if you can't come to everything, we know how busy life can be.

Finally, it would be really useful to us if you could give permission to contact any previous setting your child has attended (pre-school, nursery etc.) to further strengthen the transition process. Please let us know by email whether you consent, and if so which setting to contact.

We look forward to getting to know you and your child over the coming weeks. In the meantime if you have any urgent queries, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me.

Yours sincerely

Jessica Ferguson

Choughs Class Teacher

Shoebox of Special Things

During the first session in June, we will be sharing things which are important to us. We are asking all of our new children to compile a shoebox of special things to share during this first session. We will talk about what we've brought before decorating the boxes. The shoebox can include photographs or art work as well as physical objects which are significant or tell us something about you. Here are some ideas on what to include:

A photograph of my family	Something which tells you about my personality	An object of my favourite colour
Something I like	Something I don't like	Something which I have
		made
Something I'm proud of	How I'm feeling about	Something I'd like to know
	starting school	more about

Those are just some ideas! Please also include anything else which you think is relevant or important. Thank you.

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