

Starting school is such an exciting and challenging point in every child’s life and as your child’s class teacher, I am looking forward to being part of this next big step. By sharing some key details about home life and your child’s experiences to date, you can assist me in making the transition as smooth as possible and allow me to tailor their time here at school to suit their interests.

Many thanks.

Miss White, Reception Class Teacher

The name of your child’s class is Reception.

My child’s full name is: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

They like to be called: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Getting to know you!

Insert a photograph of your
child here please

**Home**

What does your child call you?

Does your child have any brothers or sisters? Please give names and ages.

Are there any other people that help look after your child?

Who will bring your child to school?

Who will collect your child from school?

Are there any important celebrations, festivals or events that you share as a family?

Is there any other relevant information that would be helpful to know about your family?

Are you aware of any developmental hurdles that were significant for your child (eg walking early, crawling, bum shuffling)? Did your child hit any milestones early/late/was a stage of development missed altogether?

**Food:**

Emphasis is placed on enjoying mealtimes and acquiring good table manners. The children will learn to use cutlery, to pour, to pass and to share. We encourage children to try many of the foods that are offered to them.

Is there anything you would prefer your child not to eat?

**At School**:

In Reception, children need to be able to dress and undress themselves, go to the toilet and wash their hands, change shoes and wrap themselves up for outdoors. We also expect children to take turns and share in games, talking time and in whole class activities. In school they will be learning to listen attentively and to follow simple instructions. It would be helpful for your child if you can take time to consolidate and support these skills at home.

Please tick if your child is already able to complete these tasks independently:

 Get dressed independently Change shoes

 Go to the toilet and wash their hands Use a knife and fork

 Fasten zips Use scissors



**Medical: (please also see separate medical card completed on registration)**

Please give details of any medical conditions/allergies and any regular medication.

Do you know of any problems with sight, speech or hearing?

Is there anything that worries your child or that they are sensitive about?



**Playing and Learning:**

Does your child enjoy playing alone? with other children? alongside others?

Does your child already know anyone at Barnard Castle Prep School?

What are their favourite games or activities which keep them absorbed for a long time?

What are their favourite books, songs or rhymes?

What do they like to explore and investigate?

Any other out of school activities (e.g. Stagecoach, swimming, gymnastics)?

Does your child take part in any other out of school activities (e.g. Stagecoach, swimming, gymnastics)?

Is there anything that worries you or that we need to know about your child’s behaviour?

Are they developing an awareness of danger?

Do they understand simple rules for safety?

Please use this space to note anything else that you feel would be helpful to know about your child and/or family.



*At Barnard Castle Prep School, we operate an ‘Open Door’ policy.*

*If you would like to speak in confidence about your child, please feel free
to contact me in person or by email aaw@barneyschool.org.uk*

*Many thanks for your time and help.*