



ST DAY & CARHARRACK PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Families,

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We are delighted that you and your child will be joining St Day and Carharrack Community School this year. On behalf of our staff, governors, children and families, we warmly welcome you to our school family community.

Starting school is an exciting and important milestone, and we look forward to supporting your child as they begin this journey. As a 'Gold Rights Respecting School', we value working in close partnership with families to ensure every child feels safe, happy and ready to *Enjoy, Engage and Excel* in their learning.

Our aim is to make the transition into school as smooth as possible. We offer a range of opportunities for children and families to become familiar with our school environment, establishing relationships with key staff members becoming familiar with routines. This helps every child settle confidently and make new friendships.

Transition Arrangements

- **Start Date:** All children will begin school on **Monday 7th September at 8:30am**. There is flexibility during the first week if your child would benefit from attending mornings only—please discuss this with us.
- Preparing Your Child for School
- **Parent/Carer Meeting:**
Thursday 2nd July at 9:00am (School Hall)
This is an important session to support your child starting full-time education. Please inform us if you are unable to attend.
(Please note: children are expected to be toilet trained before September. Advice can be provided if needed.)



- **Play and Stay Sessions – ‘Get to Know Each Other’:**

These sessions allow children to explore their new school environment.

- Tuesday 2nd June, 10:00–10:30am (parents welcome)
- Tuesday 9th June, 10:00–10:30am (children only but parents are welcome to stay on school grounds)
- Tuesday 23rd June, 10:00–10:30am (children only, including a school tour with Year 1 pupils)

- **Home Visits:**

Thursday 9th July – times will be arranged with you. Please confirm your availability (AM/PM).

- **Admissions Information Pack:**

This will be sent by email (or available as a hard copy on request). Please complete and return all documents by **Tuesday 2nd June**.

- **School Website:**

Further information can be found on our Reception transition page: <https://www.st-day.cornwall.sch.uk/eyfs-transition-2026>

Supporting Your Child at Home

Being ready for school is about more than having the correct uniform. It includes developing confidence, independence and everyday life skills. As part of the Government’s *Best Start in Life* campaign, there are many helpful resources available here to support you:

<https://beststartinlife.gov.uk/preparing-for-school/>

These include:

- Practical advice and activities to support early development
- *A Starting Reception Guide*
- Guidance on routines and key skills
- Support with potty training and tooth brushing

We encourage you to explore these resources, including the *Steps for School* song, which offers fun and simple ways to help your child prepare for school life.

Staying in Touch

Please confirm receipt of this letter by replying “yes” to this email. The office will then send your Admissions Information and Welcome Pack to our mailing list for important updates. Let us know if you would like additional email addresses included.

If you no longer require a place for your child, please inform the school as soon as possible.

Our office team are always happy to help. We pride ourselves on working closely with families and celebrating the uniqueness of every child. If you have any questions or need support, please do not hesitate to contact us.

We very much look forward to welcoming you and your child into our school community.

Yours sincerely and with kind regards



Susannah Storey
Headteacher