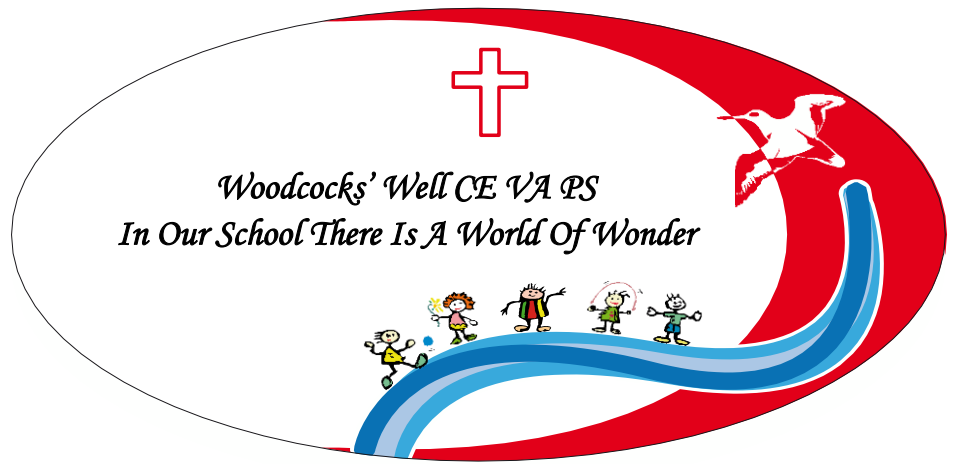


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Dear Parents,

2.7.2020

We will be making every effort to ensure that your child settles happily into school and receives the very best care and education.

In our experience, as Early Years practitioners, we have seen the benefits brought to young children as a result of taking a strategic approach to introducing them to full time mainstream schooling.

It is perfectly natural, no matter how energetic 4 year olds can be, for children of this age to become increasingly tired, over time, when they are engaging in a stimulating curriculum and exciting play opportunities on a routine basis. To avoid a situation where your child is likely to show signs of becoming overtired towards the end of term, we are inviting parents to seriously consider the option of a staggered start which will be implemented during the first 3 weeks of school.

The option will include the following:-

- Week 1: 8:45am – 11am Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2020 onwards (note this is the first day of the academic year)
- Week 2: Week Beginning 7<sup>th</sup> September 2020 8:45am - 1:00pm daily (includes lunch)
- Week 3: Week Beginning 14<sup>th</sup> September 2020 8:45am – 2pm daily
- Week 4: Week Beginning 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020 Full time 8:45am – 3:15pm

In our professional judgement, we would like to impress on you how much better your child will cope with his/her first term in school as a result of choosing this option.

Note: We are working on the assumption that all children will be back in school at the start of the Autumn Term. Please complete and return the slip below and return it to school on the first day back in September.

Thank you,  
Mrs J Massen

I would / would not like my child .....to participate in the staggered start option.

Signed.....Parent / Carer