Dear Parents and excited new pupils

Welcome to Solid Foundations Preschool!



Every year we look forward to the first day of school with great anticipation and eagerness. We love meeting our new classes and seeing so many fresh faces.

We know that for many families it's a big step and you feel apprehensive and uncertain about your little one coping in the year ahead. That's what makes the first day such a special one. We would like to reassure you that we are here to help, dry tears, pray, kiss and hug and make the preschool world a magical one for you and your child.

There are a couple of little things that we would like to just remind you of as we start this year:

- 1. Your child will be doing a special maths class and a special P.T. class once a week first thing in the morning. Please ensure that your child is on time (7h30 daily). Late children are often upset and feel insecure. Let's keep their emotions on an even keel.
- 2. A lot of your child's work is collected and kept for portfolios given out at the end of the year. If you would like to see work during the year, pop in the class at any time and you will see your child's latest masterpiece on display.
- 3. Please can we have an old grown-ups t-shirt for your child as a paint shirt. Don't send little aprons (sorry they're cute, but not nearly as effective as an old t-shirt!) We cannot warn you ahead which days are going to be "paint days", so pack this t-shirt EVERY day in your child's suitcase please. It will most probably need a wash on occasion.
- 4. We would really appreciate an ID sized photo of your child for our class birthday calendars or "trees" and, if possible, a box of tissues for sniffy noses some time during the year.
- 5. If your child is prone to "accidents", please make sure they always have a Change of Clothes in their bags.

We really believe that we are a team and that we need to work together as such. Please come and see us as often as you can. We enjoy hearing from our parents, and we are available to discuss any issues of concern, no matter how small or large. Keep us updated on family Changes and exciting events in your child's life. You'd be amazed at the difference it can make.

All the best for a wonderful year ahead The preschool staff

A teacher's prayer...

I am just a tool Lord,
Work through me
Take my unsteady and hesitant hand
Make me all I can be
In love, like the artist
Help me take each child's tone
And work a preschool masterpiece
For your glory, Lord, alone
Little people are your creation
Each a gift so precious and new
Help me hear your heart-beat
And paint hand-in-hand
With you



