

Transition

Foundation Stage to Year One



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The Three Schools

Transition from EYFS to Year One

By the end of the Foundation Stage children are well-prepared for Year One and most are ready for the National Curriculum, a slightly more formal teaching style and more homework!

We recognise that moving to Year One can be a big leap for some children.

At Drayton Parslow and Mursley we have a number of strategies in place to ensure that this transition is as smooth and seamless as possible!

- Children already know Year One staff well through shared assemblies, story times and daily contact. In addition, during the second half of the summer term, Foundation stage children spend half a morning a week in the Year One classroom working and chatting with the adults, while the current Year one revisit their favourite activities in Foundation Stage!
- On 'Transition Day' in early July all children spend the whole day in their new class.
- Children prepare an 'All about me' page for a class book to take with them on Transition Day to share with their new teacher.
- Year One children prepare an 'All about Year One' book to share with Foundation Stage children.
- The end of Year EYFS profile assessments are moderated and shared with year one teachers.
- A 'hand-over meeting' is held between Foundation Stage and Year One teachers to communicate all relevant information regarding the children's learning.
- A Transition meeting for parents is held towards the end of the summer term to provide parents with information about Year One and address any queries.
- In the Autumn term the Year One classroom is arranged to allow continued opportunities for child-initiated learning and play.

What parents can do to help:

- Continue reading books, practising phonics, encouraging writing and mathematical thinking over the summer holiday.
- Talk positively about the change 'You'll enjoy....'
- Give your child plenty of time at home for free play activities
- Speak to the teacher if you are worried that your child is not settling well.

