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Dear parents and carers

Firstly I would like to personally thank you for choosing to send your child to Atlantic Academy. We have a very passionate Early Years Team and we're really looking forward to teaching your children. The transition period for our learners starting school is very important to us and over the next few months we shall be working with you to make sure that this runs as smoothly as possible.

To support the transition I am enclosing some important information and links to follow to fill in required forms:

- 1) [The Student Entry Form](#) contains essential information that needs to be completed prior to your child's admission. We ask that you fill it out and submit it to us as soon as possible.
- 2) [Friend Group Survey](#) we are looking at forming classes based on your child's friendship groups. Therefore, please take the time to complete this survey informing us of up to three friends that your child will be starting school with. We will then try our best to make sure that every pupil has at least one of their closest friends within their class. Don't worry if your child is unable to name any of their friends, or that you are concerned that they are new to the Academy and may not have any of their previous peers joining us. We know that pupils of a young age are quick to form new friendships and we actively encourage this through our Personal, Social and Emotional activities throughout the year.

I would also like to add that although your child may be in a set class, all children from both classes will be working alongside each other on a daily basis and with all members of the Early Years Team. It is not a problem if you are uncertain of your children's peer friendship group, as we are also in communication with their current pre-school settings and many of them will help to inform us of any friendships previously made.

Please complete all surveys by Friday 15th June as this will allow us to organise classes and be able to inform you and your child of their class teacher prior to them starting school.

We will also be running some transition activities over the summer and more information on this will follow shortly.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

Yours faithfully



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