

21st May 2025

Dear Parents,

Welcome to Dunbury Church of England Academy

I am delighted to welcome you and your child to Dunbury Academy. We are looking forward to working with you in an important partnership, as your child prepares to start their learning journey with us. We have compiled a list of transition events for the Summer Term.

Summer Term Transition Programme

- Throughout June, we will be visiting your child in their current setting, getting to know them and talking to their current key workers.
- **Wednesday 4th June 17:30 - New parent information evening** at Dunbury Early Years, Winterborne Kingston. We would like to invite you to a new parent's evening on 4th June 17:30 at Dunbury Early Years. This event is aimed at parents rather than children, with a presentation on starting school at Dunbury, a chance to visit the school site and ask any questions. Transition information packs will be available for collection on the evening.
- **Thursday 12th June and Wednesday 18th June 14:30 to 14:50 - Story time at Dunbury Early Years.** We would like to invite you and your child to come and share a story time with our school community at Dunbury Early Years. This event is for both children and parents. Please can we ask you to use the available parking in the surrounding roads to the school.
- **Tuesday 24th June 14:00 - Dunbury Early Years Open afternoon.** Please come and celebrate with our school community our learning from the past year. We will have a museum of knowledge for you to wander through and enjoy along with the families of our current pupils.
- **Tuesday 8th July - Independent Transition Visit.** We look forward to welcoming your child to school for an hour to experience an Early Years Session. This is a chance to come and spend time with us independently. This session will be in small groups and give your child a chance to get to know the school environment and meet their class teacher. Acorn group will be welcomed between 9:00 and 10:00 and Cones between 10:15 and 11:15. We will communicate to you which group your child is in at the meeting on 4th June.

We would be grateful if you could confirm your attendance at each of these events by emailing the school office: office@dunbury.dsat.org.uk

September 2025 Transition Programme

Starting school is a big step for children and parents. We want every child to get off to a flying start when September comes, which is why we plan a short transition to full time school.

Wednesday 3rd September 2025	INSET Day
Thursday 4th September 2025	8:30am – 11am
Friday 5th September 2025	8:30am – 12pm
Monday 8th September 2025	8:30am – 1pm Please send your child in with a packed lunch or order a hot meal on Local Food Links.
Tuesday 9 th – Friday 12 th September 2025	8:30 am – 3:10pm

Wednesday 10th September 2025 17:30 - New Parent Early Years Curriculum Information Evening at Dunbury Early Years. Please come along to hear a detailed summary of the Early Years curriculum, and how you can support your child at home, to maximise their potential across the year.

What next?

Our School Admission Form is attached to this email. Please complete and return, via email, no later than **Monday 2nd June**. We also require a copy of your child's birth certificate before they start school in September. Please arrange to send a scanned copy to school or post a paper copy. We can take copies of this during the Information evening on 4th June 2025.

We look forward to supporting our new families as you prepare for this very important step in your child's education and want to thank you for choosing our school.

If you have any questions now or in the coming weeks or need support, please do not hesitate to contact us. Our email address is office@dunbury.dsat.org.uk

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher

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Early Years Lead