



# The Federation of Winklebury Infant and Junior Schools

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Dear Parents,

The children in Owl and Badger classes are now nearing the end of their second week in school and are settling well.

The children have quickly adjusted to the expectations and routines of school and they are already developing their independence in many areas. We have noticed that many of the children are now coming into the classroom each morning by themselves and managing to put all their belongings away and find their own name to select their lunch choice. In order to ensure the continued safety of the children in the mornings we would now like **all** of the children to further develop their independence by coming into the classroom by themselves and putting their own belongings away.

From **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September** we ask that you drop your child off at the classroom door each morning and that you do not enter the classroom with your child. Your child's teacher and Early Years Assistant are always available in the mornings to help your child if needed and deal with any problems they might have. The children will then get used to being left at the door and they will all know what is expected of them. Children can become upset in the mornings when a parent has come into the classroom with them or if they remain outside the door or window for a while. In our experience, children find it easier to separate from you if you drop them off quickly and then leave.

By encouraging your child to come into the classroom by themselves, it will become easier for them to recognise their own name and to identify their own belongings at the end of the day because they are responsible for them as soon as they enter the classroom.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs L. Bell, Mrs K.Howard, Mrs H.Hunt  
Class Teachers