

Child Friendly New Arrivals' Policy

Mellers is a happy and friendly school where everyone is valued and made welcome. We're really glad that you have come to join us. It may seem a little strange at first being in a new school but everyone is here to help you so try not to worry.

This is what you can expect when you join us at Mellers:

Before you arrive:

- Your parents will fill in a form to tell the school all about you
- Your new teacher and class will be told that you will be coming to join us
- Your teacher will make sure everything is ready for you and if you speak another language, the class will learn a few words to make you feel welcome!
- You will visit school with your parents to have a chat. If you feel confident, you can stay with us for an hour (or longer) just to meet everyone and see where everything is.

Your first full day:

- If you are new to English, you will be given a language buddy who will really help you in your first few weeks
- We will let you know about PE, swimming days, music and any important dates; there is a visual timetable in every class.
- We will show you around our lovely school

Your first few weeks:

- If you are new to English, your language buddy will support you when you need it
- Sometimes you might work with a teacher by yourself or in a small group
- If you feel lonely or scared, there are playground buddies to help and play with you. You can spot them wearing bright yellow vests at playtimes.

Don't worry. We are happy you are here. You will love being at Mellers. We promise that we will:

- Always listen to you
- Make sure you feel happy
- Play with you
- Support you

