

## 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

