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Year 3 Parent/Carer Transition Questionnaire

At Carbeile we understand how daunting a change of school can be when you are only 7 years old and we have worked hard to try to make your child's transition from their Key stage 1 setting to our school as happy and positive as we can.

We would really appreciate it if you could complete the following questionnaire to help us make future transitions as smooth as possible. We welcome constructive comments in order that we can improve, so please be specific about anything that you think worked particularly well, or how it could work better in future.

In your opinion as parents/Carers, were the following activities useful?

	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
Carbeile teachers meeting the children in their classroom at TNIS?	80%	15%		5%
Year 3 teachers from Carbeile attending parent consultations at TNIS during the Summer term?	77.5%	15%	2.5%	5%
Parents/Carers having the opportunity to meet Mr Hamlyn at Carbeile in July?	80%	20%		
Year 2 children spending the day at Carbeile for 'Transition Day' ensuring parents could meet new teachers and TAs.	85%	15%		
<p>Do you think there are any more activities that we could have organised that would have improved the transition process? Could any of the activities above been improved?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Activities for the Carbeile day to involve personalising the classroom (pegs, tray names etc) • Inviting children to make something/do something to bring to school from home to share when visiting Carbeile. • The process I felt was well planned. However maybe get the prospectus and information papers to parents before this day so they could be filled out and given in then. • No, I was impressed with all of the above. • Only nit picking, but maybe having a few visits would benefit them a bit more. • No, all good thank you. • I think everything was perfect, thank you. • Athletics and Bug Club passwords/access provided on transition day for the children to start/try during the summer holidays. • My daughter was very nervous about starting at Carbeile but after spending the WHOLE day at school it calmed her <u>COMPLETELY</u>, so I strongly advise this procedure. • We were promised a tour (hour or so) of Carbeile school and grounds for my child to be done with her teacher and class in TNIS. This would have greatly eased nerves coming for the whole day. • The activities and communications assumed that children attend TNIS. We were given wrong date for induction and did not receive letters/have a visit to child's class. • Include communications/visits for children who did not attend TNIS. 				
Overall did your child feel happy & prepared for the start of term at Carbeile in September?	75%	25%		
Do you think the arrangements for Day 1 of the new term were appropriate?	70%	25%	5%	
Do you feel you know what your child is learning about this term from information you have received?	57.5%	30%	12.5%	
Do you feel able to discuss any concerns you have with your child's teacher when they occur?	65%	35%		

Are there any other comments you would like to make about the transition experience of your child?

- Adequate notice about the year group being mixed should have been communicated to parents prior to the children being informed (TNIS). Loved how the parents were invited to join in on transition day and provision was made to do this for all year groups and parents who have more than one child in the school.
- Despite my child having SEN issues, he has found moving to Carbeile fun and exciting. We've noticed HUGE improvements over the past 6-7 years within the school, which is amazing. The clear anti-bullying policy being publicised is such a great comfort too. Thank you.
- I found the first day a little stressful due to not hearing what the teachers were saying in the playground. I felt it would have been better if the classroom was opened and you could settle child in class. This would have made it smoother and allowed to get other child to infants school. This being said, when I came back to the school to check on my child and sort out paperwork, Mr Hamlyn was very supportive and gave reassurance by checking on my child, thank you.
- I wasn't completely aware of start and finish times. I don't recall having a letter that stated this (but could just be badmum.com!)
- Not really, I thought Ollie transitioned well.
- She is happy and smiley going into and coming out of school, so that says it all.
- My child settled incredibly well, she was so nervous to start off with but is doing brilliantly. Thank you for making the transition so easy for us.
- The whole transition has been amazing. My daughter was very happy when she started, thank you.
- The staff/office have been very helpful, ensuring Coby has had the best possible start. I want an open, honest relationship with school and care about Coby's development throughout his time at Carbeile School.
- A very smooth transition from TNIS to Carbeile and, as a result, a very happy son enjoying his school life. Thank you.
- Transition from Norwich went smoothly. Finn was actively excited and enthusiastic about the change. Meeting the head and his teacher helped. All staff were friendly and helpful. Overall my wife and myself were most satisfied.
- My son was very excited and he couldn't wait to join Carbeile School.
- Amazing school, Belle was so excited to start at Carbeile, she couldn't wait for the summer holidays to end. All the staff and teachers are incredibly friendly and helpful. I can't praise Carbeile enough.
- Day 1 – we were given no guidance to where we had to go with our child. The lead up to go back to school the only nerves she had was where she needed to go, which I assured her mum will help her find her way. On the actual day it was easy with teachers guiding the way, just would have helped to know this in advance.
- I believe the transition process was managed well by both schools. I think the information provided to the children was appropriate and erased the fear of the unknown. My child was very happy and excited to be joining Carbeile. I thought the presentation provided to the parents from Mr. Hamlyn was excellent although many parents were unaware of the correct time/date as this was not communicated very well by TNIS.
- There were lots of queries on Facebook asking where to take children, how you book meals etc.
- Confusion over lunches/where to go.
- Settled in really well. Is excited about all the activities the school has to offer.
- I am very happy with the way things have worked. My daughter now feels confident to leave me when she is to go in her class. Next step, leave in playground! Thank you for making things easier and helping my daughter settle in.

Thank you for taking the time to complete this questionnaire we will let you know the results shortly.