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Dear parents and carers,

A big thank you to those who shared their views about their child's transition experience from Year 2 to 3. We are always looking at ways to improve our provision for the children so that the transition process runs as smoothly as possible, so your feedback, both positive and constructive, is much appreciated and highly valued. Overall, feedback was very positive with the majority of parents happy with their child's transition experience.

From the results, parents and children found our transition day, termly visits to Frimley to carry out activities with our current year 3 children, regular visits from staff to the infant schools and collaborative project work between schools to be most beneficial.

I wanted to share with you some insights from the survey and address how we plan to respond to some of the points that were raised.

Further suggestions about the transition experience made by parents were:

You said...	We will ...
I think the information evening was too early. I think the end of June would have been fine.	Continue with the earlier information evening in May but possibly reoffer the information evening after the transition day in July like we used to.
More events planned around working parents.	Consider timings of events so that more parents who work can get involved.
Whilst we think *** has enjoyed the new school, *** has definitely found it challenging moving to more structured learning environment. She has also struggled with the longer day. That being said she is coming home and enthusiastically telling us about new things she is learning about.	Share this feedback during our meeting with the Head Teachers from our local infant schools to see how they can support us further with this.
We really appreciated that Frimley recognised that **** may need further transition visits due to coming from a 'non-feeder school'. He was invited for short visits with other children, and these visits allowed both of us to meet people before September.	Continue to invite children from all schools in our local area for extra visits during the summer term.
More collaboration between schools	Continued collaboration between Frimley and our local infant schools.



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You said...	We will ...
<p>The summer holidays meant quite a big gap between transition day and the start of school. A morning in the week before starting, or even a couple of hours visiting the school would have been great, even if it was just an open type of event where we could just walk around with them and get their bearings again.</p>	<p>Possibly offer an opportunity for parents to come in with their children during the afternoon before the first day of school in September to refamiliarize themselves after the summer holidays.</p>
<p>On their first day starting in September, I think it would be a nicer transition to have the new starters arrive at a slightly different time to the rest of the school. It was very busy and overwhelming for all at the gates with long queues.</p>	<p>Consider a slightly earlier or late start time on the first day back to school for year 3 children to avoid it being busy and overwhelming for the children or for Year 4 children to come in to school through the main gate for the first week of school.</p>

Thank you again for your feedback and support of the transition process.

Best wishes,

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