## SURVIVAL GUIDE TO PI

LIGHTHEARTED NOTES TO REMEMBER FOR FIRST DAY NERVES



## FIRST THING TO REMEMBER

- We promise to look after your child
- They may not look as tidy at the end of the day as when they first arrive!
- We will have all had fun!



• Take the chance to take a picture using our school picture frame. It will be a great way to remember your child's first day.

• Encourage your child to line up with their friends, this will help the class teacher over the year to get the class in quickly (particularly on wet or cold days)



• Buy shoes with velcro, elastic or simple buckles but not laces unless they can confidently and consistently tie them independently.

• Use wellies in wet weather but pack a change of socks and shoes for when they come into class.



- Use clothes that your child can take on and off easily. If they struggle with buttons, then perhaps a polo shirt would be better.
- It would be useful to have a change of clothes that could be hung on your child's peg, in case of accidents.



• Start playing games to help independent dressing. It doesn't have to be with their school uniform yet. Fancy dress and games involving getting cuddles and dolls dressed instead. Set extra challenges by turning clothes in the wrong way to get your child to put them the right way first.



## AND FINALLY ...

- Label EVERYTHING ...
- Absolutely EVERYTHING ...
- Even pants and jackets!
- Use a reliable and permanent way to label them too!



## AND FINALLY, FINALLY ...

- Relax ... we will look after your child as carefully as you do!
- They will come home with lots of stories and smiles which is the sign of a great first day!