**Starting School**

(Insert Photo of school)

*Guidance: personalise the front page to suit your needs. You could add the school logo, re-name the booklet, change fonts to be in line with school policy*

*The format of the following booklet can be changed, but it is suggested that the contents remain as they each serve as a way to ease transition.*

All About Me

**My Name is:**

**I am \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years old.**

**Here I am (add photo or drawing)**

*Guidance: This section can be used to get more information if you wish e.g. I like… I am good at… I need help with …*

People who are important to me

**My Family:**

**My Friends:**

**Other special people:**

**Until you come back to School**

**We will be at home for some time.**

**Here is a list of ideas of things you could do.**

Ride a bike

Read a book

Draw

Play cards

Play a board game

Help with jobs at home

Bake

Sing songs together

Practice handwriting or spelling

Dance together to favourite songs

Go for a walk

Painting

Playdough

Ice biscuits

Ask your adult to help

*Guidance: You could state the start date and how many weeks until starting (if you know)*

 *If you think it is appropriate, add some independence activities such as: get dressed in my uniform by myself, open and close my lunchbox, learn a new song, retell a story and draw about it*

Write, draw or add a photo of something you do each week:

Week 1

*Guidance: The purpose of this section is to act as a countdown over the long period of time before school starts. Put dates in for each week if you can and state the first day of school if you can. Add more weeks if needed.*

*Add ‘if you would like to’ or ‘1 thing’. This isn’t about families keeping a detailed diary, just a way to count down and keep school in mind.*

Week 2

Week 3

Week 4

Week 5

Week 6

 **We are looking forward seeing you soon.**

You will be in Daffodil Class.

**(Insert photo of classroom)**

Your teacher/s will be Miss \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**(Insert photo/s of teacher/s)**

We will learn new things, get to know all about our new teachers, meet new friends and find out where everything is kept.

See you soon!

*Guidance: add any relevant information here to help the child get to know the environment they will be in for the first time. For example, a link to an online video tour, photos of coat pegs, toilets, indoor learning, outdoor learning space, school uniform, lunch hall, important people, etc.*