



Welcome to Checkendon School from the Owlet Class Team!

We are both really looking forward to welcoming you to Owlet Class. It is our aim to provide the best possible education for your child. Starting school is a major stepping stone in any child's life and it is our intention to make the transition from home, nursery or playgroup as smooth as possible. It is an exciting time!

We are very fortunate to have such a fantastic setting which encourages independence and offers a broad range of exciting experiences for the early years. We plan a range of purposeful activities, both structured play and teacher-led tasks, which match the differing needs of our young learners. We strive to foster a caring and supportive environment to encourage children to develop as independent learners who are curious about the world around them.

<p style="text-align: center;">Mrs Clare Wortley</p> 	<p>I am the Owlet Class teacher. I have been a classroom teacher for over eighteen years working across KS1 and EYFS in local schools. I'm married with two daughters and eight chickens. I enjoy open water swimming, running and baking. This year I am hoping to take part in my first triathlon.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Mrs Victoria Thomas</p> 	<p>I have been working at Checkendon Primary school since April 2018 and absolutely love it! I work in Owlet Class in the afternoons and across the whole school as School Sports Coordinator. I live in Nettlebed with my husband and two children who both attend Checkendon School. In my spare time I love walking our dog, going on family bike rides, gardening, cooking and baking. I have recently found a love of storytelling too!</p>

After half-term, you'll receive a Welcome Pack including forms to complete and activities for you and your child to do together to help prepare for starting school; and we will invite you to visit the school as soon as it is safe to do so.

In the meantime, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us via the following email address: transition@checkendon.oxon.sch.uk

Warm regards,

Mrs Wortley and *Mrs Thomas*