

Checklist for Visiting Schools.....

- What is the structure & timetable for the school day?
- How many children would be in your child's class?
- How does the school deal with difficult behaviour?
- How is bullying dealt with at the school?
- How does the school help children mix and make friends?
- Does the school have a Breakfast Club and an After School Club?
- What extra activities does the school provide at lunchtime and after school?
- What will you have to provide for your child? (Uniform/stationary/money for trips, events, extra activities, etc.)
- How does the school communicate with parents?
- What arrangements are there for parents to get involved with the school?
- If your child has a disability or special educational need, does the school know anything about it?
- Have they ever taught any other children with the same disability/special need?
- How will your child be supported outside lesson time?

After the visit:

Discuss your thoughts and feelings about the school with someone else:

Did you feel welcomed at the school?

Did the children seem happy, friendly and helpful?

Do you think your child would be happy at that school?

Did the school answer all your questions?

Have you got any other questions you would like to ask the school?

There may be more questions you want to ask the schools at their open evenings, these are just some questions to help get you started....