

Shaima, Jack and Wesley are coming to Willow Primary Academy.
Mr Hales and Nico, the school dog, are very pleased to meet them.



Taking PRIDE in all we do

Look out for our P.R.I.D.E.
characters in this book

How will you help me settle in and make friends?

During the summer term, your teacher will come to see you at your preschool before you join reception. They will also visit you and your grown-ups in your home so you can start to get to know each other. There will be some story sessions at school for you to come to with your grown-ups and there will also be stay and play afternoons where you will play with your new friends.

You and your grown-ups will come to a teddy bears' picnic. You can start to make friends with the other children who will be in your class and also have some lovely food.



"My teddy is called is called Sammy," says Wesley.

"Mine is called Nelson," says Jack.

What happens when I come to school?

You will come through the reception gate where your teacher will be waiting to meet you.

"Hello Shaima," the teacher says. "Hello," says Shaima. "I think I am going to love school!"

She is being just like **Positive Panda**.

You will go into school and put your coat on your own hook.

You will put your book bag and water bottle away and then you will go and play with the things that are out on the tables.



What will I do in school?

You will have lots of fun learning and making friends as you play.

Your school day starts with 'Read Write Inc.' where you will learn about letters, and the sounds they make.

You will also learn maths, where you will do lots of counting and number work. We usually sit in a circle when we do this. Sometimes, we do patterns, measuring and shape work too!

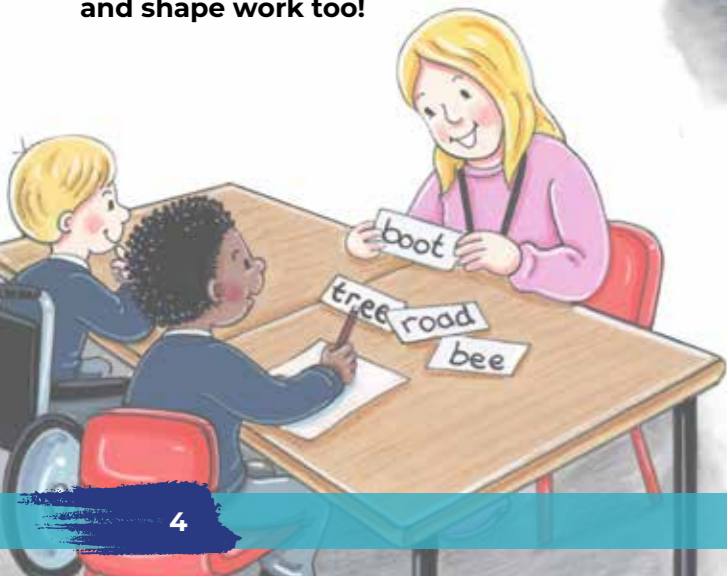


Kate and Jack are in the classroom, using blocks to make a wall.

"You can put your block on before mine," says Jack. "It's your turn." He is being kind, just like **Respectful Rhino**.



Shaima is reading a book about giraffes.



Outdoors, the children are on the climbing frame.

Maya and Shaima love going down the slide.

"I am pretending that there are crocodiles underneath me," says Wesley. He is using his imagination, just like **Individual Iguana**.

There are lots of other things to play with in our outdoor area. We have a huge sand pit, a mud kitchen and a construction area too!

What do you like doing with your friends?



What happens if I am hungry or thirsty?

You can have a snack at the snack station whenever you are hungry.



At lunchtime, you will go to the hall for your meal. You can have a delicious school meal or bring a packed lunch from home.

"I haven't had this before but I am going to try some new food today," Shaima says.



She is being like **Determined Dingo** and trying something new.



After lunch, you will go to the playground and have lots of fun playing with the other children.

What happens if I need to go to the toilet?

You can go whenever you need to. Just remember to ask your teacher if you are doing an activity with them.

The teacher is going to read a story and Shaima needs to go to the toilet.

She puts her hand up and says, "Please may I go to the toilet?"

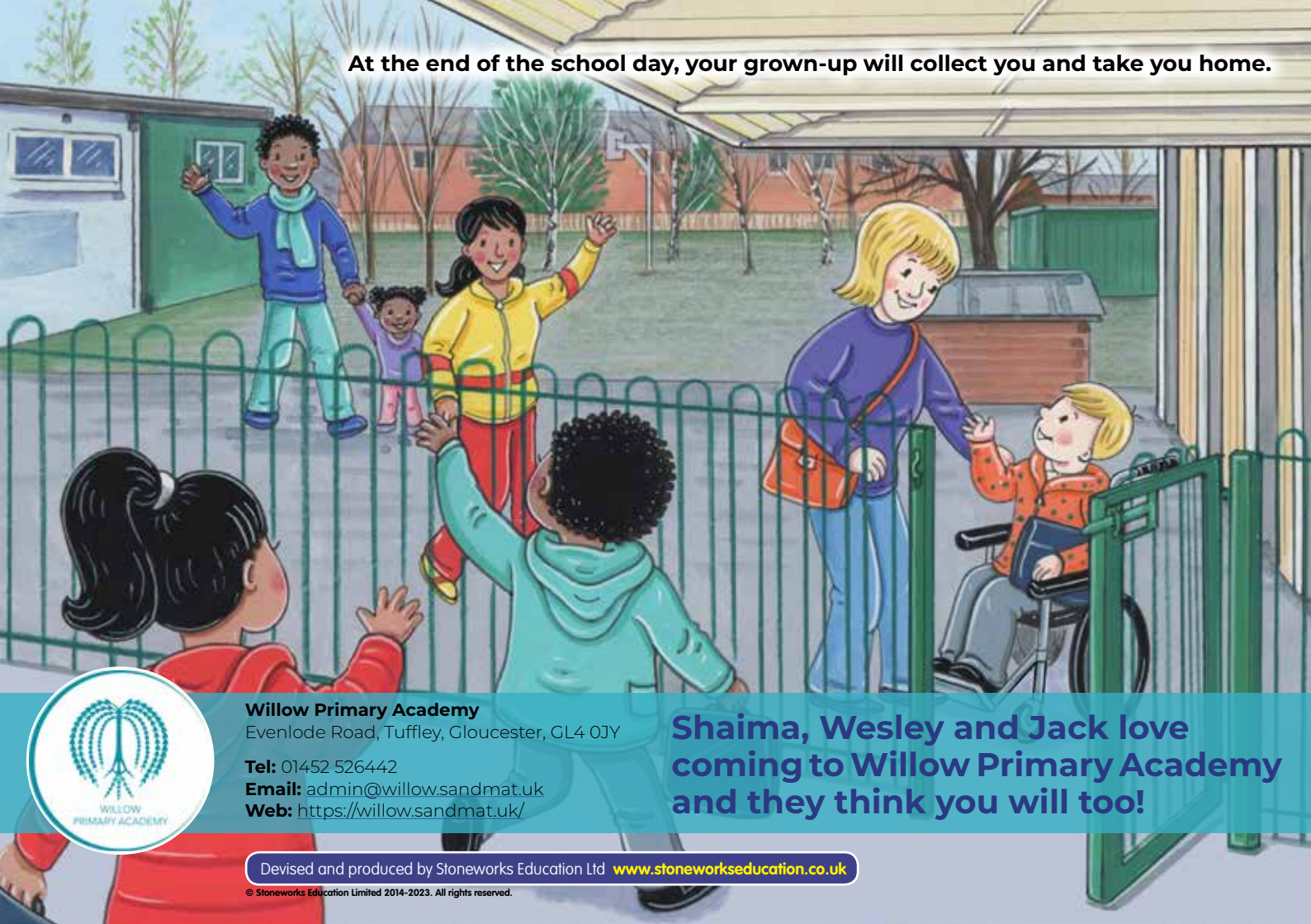
"Yes, Shaima. Thank you for asking so politely," the teacher says. "You are being just like **Excellent Elephant**."

"Remember to wash your hands with soap and water when you have finished."



Can you use the toilet by yourself?

At the end of the school day, your grown-up will collect you and take you home.



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