

Nursery - P1 Remote Transition Model

As we find ourselves in unusual times we have had to rethink our transition plan for our new P1 pupils. If your child already comes to our nursery they will be familiar with staff and our building so they are probably less anxious and have fewer questions about starting school than us as adults!

There are still very many unknowns around what the new term will look like and which days your child will come to school. Please bear with us as we navigate our way through uncharted territory!

We will take things slowly and get it right for our children. I could outline possibly ways this MAY look like but, this can sometimes cause more anxiety and questions, so I intend to hold fire and give you as much information I can as often as I can, to give everyone a clear picture of what starting school in August 2020 will look like. This will be as important for you as your child.

Please try and not to worry! Although you can't just pop in nor can I hold my normal face to face starting P1 meeting I will do my best to look at as many forums as I can to share information as the recovery plan begins to add detail, not only from Scottish Government and ELC but from school perspective.

Please note from the table below, we will do our best to stick to the dates outlined but some of these activities are linked to home learning by other children, as well as technology dependent!

We will post everything you need to know and copies of our correspondence on our BLOG <https://www.edubuzz.org/stoneyhill/>

School uniform: *We intend to be as flexible as possible around uniform at the start of term and advise you to buy generic pieces of uniform in line with our school colours.*

However in our current circumstances, there will not be the option of ordering a number of items from our branded school uniform supplier. To restrict contact and work within current guidance from Scottish Government, we propose a compromise. We intend to offer you the opportunity, for P1 only and with absolutely no exception, you can order 1 sweatshirt with a school logo to allow you to take photos for your child's first day of school (at the front door of your house/garden/ living room). Staff will take some photos of your child in class and email these. Our uniform supplier is Patricia Bewsey Design at www.garmentprinter.co.uk

Depending on restrictions we will advise you of the agreed system of collection or delivery of the sweatshirt.

Timeline	Transition Activity
Week beginning 25 th May	<p>Transition letter from HT sent to parents explaining more information to follow. There is an opportunity to send questions to email address and I will do my best to answer these.</p> <p>Questions to be sent to HT by 1st June</p>
	<p>A new website has been launched with a range of weekly activities to help families and children prepare for the transition to Primary One. Each week is built around a song, with ideas for parents to support their children's development of key skills such as communication, independence and resilience, gross and fine motor skills and preparing for change.</p> <p>ELC Ready, Steady...Sing! is aimed at anyone with a child who will be starting Primary One and can be used alongside any other activities or advice from their early years setting.</p> <p>https://www.eastlothian.gov.uk/news/article/13251/ready_steady_sing</p> <p>Week 1 focuses on rainbows, using the song "I can Sing a Rainbow". Complementary activities range from reading a story, spotting rainbow shapes in buildings and natural environments, identifying colours and playing with numbers. They are designed to support existing activities within the home and will also help grow families' confidence about the next step in their child's learning journey.</p> <p>New activities will be launched on Mondays each week until Monday 22 June (week 5) to tie-in with the end of term-time, however they can be undertaken at any time.</p>
4 th June	P1 Pack to be sent out
5 th June	<p>Friday weekly virtual story read by Ms Herkes will be posted on school BLOG</p> <p>We will add information to this page</p> <p>https://www.edubuzz.org/stoneyhill/</p>
Week beginning 15 th June	Current P1 pupils have been asked to write down and send in their favourite memory from their time in P1. Responses to be collated and sent out via email to pre-school parents to share with children.
16 th June	A link will be added 'Virtual tour of the school'. You can view this as many times as your child needs. This will be on our school Blog
17 th June	Letter from P6 to new P1 pupil. The pupils who will be P7 in the new academic session will write a short letter to your child

	welcoming them to P1. We hope this helps your child feel confident and secure about starting P1
18 th June	Questions/worries from children will be answered by new P1 teacher
23 rd June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A short letter from P1 Teacher (including a photo) to introduce themselves to your child <p>'All about Me' sheet to be completed by you and your child and brought in on first day at school.</p>
24 th June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leaflet from P6 Buddy. The same buddy will give you some helpful hints about your school day e.g. lunches, playtimes etc
25 th June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Postcard from P6 Buddy
24 th June	Virtual Q&A session - ask parents to email in any questions or worries their child may have about starting school. Google meet 10am if you send gmail address, or written response emailed to you