My New School

Principal

This is Mr McNamee. He is the Principal in St. Paul's Primary School.
Mr McNamee is in charge of the school and a very important person.
His office is on the right hand side of the school foyer, next to the school office.
Mr McNamee is very nice and wants you to enjoy school in St Paul's.
You can say hello to him.

Vice Principal and New Comer Support

This is Mrs McCotter. She is a very important person in St Paul's Primary School.

Mrs McCotter is the Vice Principal, which means she looks after the school if Mr McNamee is off.

Mrs McCotter also looks after all the new boys and girls in St Paul's Primary School.

If you have any worries or concerns you can speak to Mrs McCotter, as she is also the Pastoral Care Teacher.

Mrs McCotter is very friendly and wants you to be happy in school.

Office staff

Miss Hughes
Office manager

Mrs Furey
Parent Liaison Officer

This is Miss Hughes and Mrs Furey.

These ladies work in the reception and can help you if you are unsure what to do. If you are arriving late you will need to enter the school through the main doors and go to reception where you can sign in.

SENCO

This is Mrs Reid.
She is the Special Educational Needs Co-ordinator in St Paul's.
You will see Mrs Reid around the school. You might even go out to help her with some work.

Mrs Reid is very friendly and the boys and girls in St Paul's love to go visit her in her office.

You can say "Hello" to her when you see her.

School drop off and pick up zone

Lane to the side door

When I arrive at school I will enter through the side door. To access the side door you use the laneway on the right hand side of drop off zone.
I will be greeted by a member of staff and they will take my temperature. This is O.K
I will then be brought down to the ASC where my class and I will have some toast and something to drink.

My teacher will then take my class and me outside to play.

ASC 1 & ASC 2

There are two ASCs in St Paul's Primary School.
ASC 1 and ASC 2.
ASC 1 is Primary 1, 2, 3 and 4
ASC 2 is Primary 5, 6 and 7

"A.S.C.1" Staff

Ms Fegan

Mrs McConway

Mrs Norma Gillespie

ASC 1

ASC 1 will be my new classroom.
There will be somewhere for me to hang up my coat.
I do not need to bring a schoolbag with me.

I can ask for help.

The staff in here will help me.

The teacher will show me where to sit.

I will have my timetable to show me what the plan for the day is.

Multi-Use Hall

You will go to the Hall for Assembly and also for P.E.
Assembly is when all the boys and girls and all the staff join together in the hall for songs, prayers and celebrations of achievements. This will be O.K

P.E

You can learn new skills and games.
The teacher will help me.
P.E can be a lot of fun.

Dining Hall

This is the dining hall.
You will come here to eat your lunch.
You will be able to have hot meals here.
There is also an area to eat if you take packed lunches.

There will be a lot of other children here and it can be a little noisy.

An adult will show me where to sit.

Playground

There are 3 playground areas in St Paul's Primary School.
You will have a turn to play in each one.
There are buddy areas also.
We can meet new friends here.

Here are some photographs of our playground area.

Toilets

The boys' toilets are opposite ASC2
The girls' toilets are further down the corridor outside P4.
My teacher will show me where the toilets are.

Calendar

I can use a calendar to see when I start School.

Useful Apps / websites

Is there a school app?

https://www.stpaulsmica.com/ - School Website

https://twitter.com/@StPaulsMica – School Twitter

Organisation Name	Type of information	Link
AutismNI	General Website	http://www.autismni.org/
	Factsheets	http://www.autismni.org/autism-ni-factsheets.html
	Support Groups	http://www.autismni.org/autism-ni-support-groups.html
National Autistic Society	Northern Ireland services	https://www.autism.org.uk/services/ni.aspx
	Post- diagnosis information	https://www.autism.org.uk/about/diagnosis/children/recently-diagnosed.aspx
Believe in children Barnardo's	Support programme	http://www.barnardos.org.uk/cygnet/yk_cygnet-parents_carers_support_programme.htm
Paediatric ASD services HSC Northern Health and Social Care Trust	General information	http://www.belfasttrust.hscni.net/AutismAssessmentandInterventionService.htm
	Belfast Autism Assessment and Intervention Services Information leaflet	http://www.belfasttrust.hscni.net/pdf/Belfast_Autism_Assessmetn_and_Intervention_Services.pdf
	Guide for Families	http://www.belfasttrust.hscni.net/pdf/Autism_-_A_Guide_for_Families_-_inserts.pdf
	Six steps of Autism Care	http://www.belfasttrust.hscni.net/pdf/Six_Steps_of_Autism_Care_Pathway_Report.pdf
Autism Awareness Centre Inc. believe in change	P.A.P.A General website	https://autismawarenesscentre.com/
POSITIVE FUTURES	General Website	https://www.positive-futures.net/
CENTRE FOR AUTISM	Middletown Parent training	https://www.middletownautism.com/training/parents
	Middletown online resources • Life skills • Family and home strategies • Sensory process • Teenage	http://life-skills.middletownautism.com/ http://capacity-resource.middletownautism.com/strategies/strategies-for-the-family-and-home/ http://sensory-processing.middletownautism.com/ http://teenage-resource.middletownautism.com/

AutismInitiatives real partnerships, unique solutions, positive outcomes	General Website	https://www.autisminitiatives.org/
	Information for parents	https://www.autisminitiatives.org/about/parents-info
empower Reaching Out Supporting Families	Activities and Workshop information	http://empowernetwork.co.uk/courses.aspx
mencap The voice of learning disability	General Website	https://northernireland.mencap.org.uk/services-northern-ireland