

# Welcome to Primary 1



The most important thing..



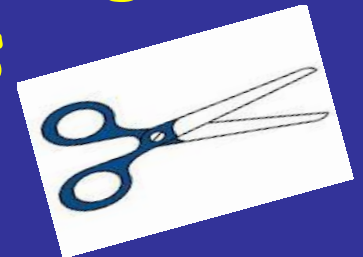
# Before you start school...





# Helping your child learn...

- Read together
- Talk to and listen to your child
- Let your child practise using writing and drawing implements and scissors
- Teach them nursery rhymes
- Encourage playing with construction toys and doing puzzles
- Talk about colours, shapes and
- count objects



# Uniform

- White polo shirt
- Red sweatshirt
- Grey trousers / grey skirt
- Reversible school coat / fleece
- White /grey socks or red / grey tights
- Black shoes

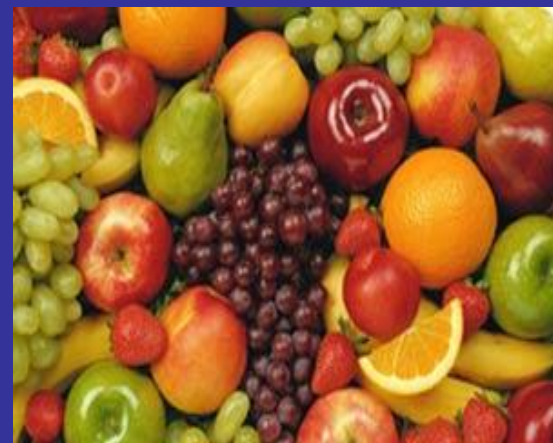
## PE

- White polo
- Black jogging bottoms
- Black or white trainers / Black slippers

Purchase from "School Days", Newtownards

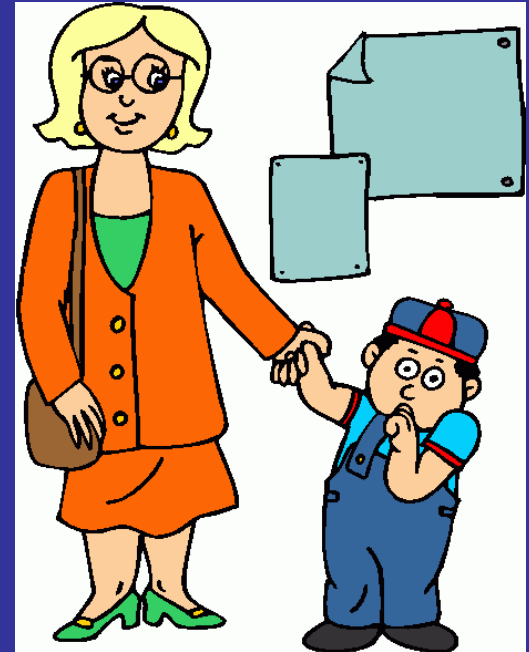


# What to bring...



# Your Job...

- Use positive words
- Routine
- Encourage a good breakfast
- Drop off and collection
- Label all items of clothing and belongings



# Starting dates...

- 3 groups of children over three days (Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August, Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> August, Friday 28<sup>th</sup> August)
- Youngest children start first
- Aids settling in process
- 9am - 12noon





# Timetable

- Wed 26th Aug - Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct

9 am - 12pm

- Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Oct - Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov

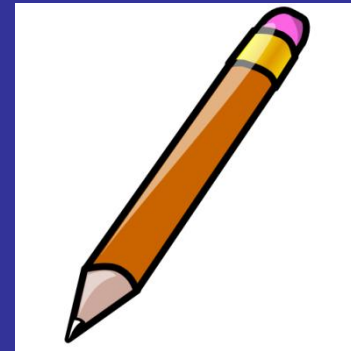
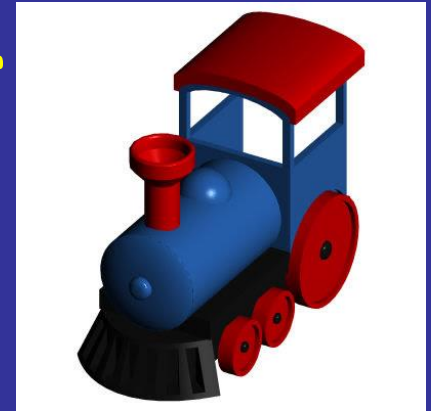
Half-term

- Tue 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov onwards

9am - 2pm (staying for lunch)

# Your child's first day...

- Bring your child to the classroom door
- Hang up coat and put lunchbox away.
- Settle in and play
- Toilet time
- Break
- Practical Maths Activity
- Drawing activity
- Circle Time
- Story time
- Home time at 12:00



# Normal School Day

- Breakfast Club 8:15 - 8:45am
- Playground supervision begins 8:45am
- School starts at 9:00 am
- Break time is 10:30 am
- Lunch time is 12:15-1pm
- Home time is 2 pm



# P1 Curriculum - developing the whole child

- Learning through Play
- Learning through Topics
- Practical Maths activities
- Talking and listening
- Language and Literacy games
- Reading and Writing
- Sounds
- Art and Music
- PE - Monkeynastix/Tennis/Dance/Yoga



# P1/2 Rolling Curriculum

## Year 1

- Teddy Bears
- Autumn
- Toys
- Christmas
- Food
- Winter
- Growing
- Spring
- Animals
- Summer

## Year 2

- Ourselves
- Autumn
- Post Office
- Christmas
- Cold Lands
- Winter
- People who Help Us
- Spring
- Transport and Holidays
- Summer



# Special Education Needs

- Mrs Cooke is the Special Educational Needs Co-Ordinator (SENCO)
- Mrs Rea provides support for children who need extra help with Literacy and Numeracy.
- If a teacher identifies a child is struggling in either Literacy and Numeracy they may be placed into an informal booster group as in our policy.
- However, if a bigger problem is identified the class teacher will speak to SENCO and the child's parents about placing them in the Special Needs Register.

# More Information about the curriculum...

- Will be provided throughout the year
- In the form of notes and parent information meetings



# Policies

- Child Protection
- Intimate Care
- Positive Behaviour
- Pastoral Care
- Anti-Bullying
- Administration of Medicine
- Drugs
- Images
- Road Safety
- Contingency Plan for Severe Weather
- Interim Model School Complaints Procedure

# Forms



- Please take a few minutes now to read carefully and fill out the following forms
  - Data Collection Form
  - Permission Form - Intimate Care/ Walk to Ards Evangelical Church/ Internet, Facebook and Photograph
  - Library Form
  - Primary 1 Information from parents
  - Marketing Form

# Nursery Visits

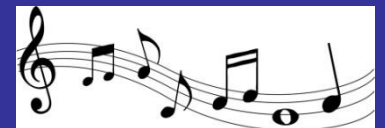
- This year instead of visits to the nurseries in May or June to say hello to the children and speak to their nursery teacher I have been making calls to each nursery teacher.
- Please ask your child's nursery to forward on their end of year report.





# School's Out N.I

- After School Childcare
- Based within Castle Gardens Primary School
- Pick up service from our school, 2 min car drive
- Offer after –School Club 2-6pm or 3-6pm and a Waiting Club 2-3pm or 3-4pm.
- Holiday Schemes provided
- Contact Susannah McCloy





**Any questions please do not  
hesitate to ask...**