



Supporting Community Learners from:



# Transition

*Early Years to Primary 1*

Starting School

*Information for Parents*

## Welcome to St John's

We are delighted to be welcoming your child to Primary 1 in St John's in August 2021 and we know that this is an important milestone.

We are hopeful that restrictions will continue to ease and that the transition experience will be fruitful and worthwhile.



Our school values of faith, love and understanding continue to underpin the work of the school community and we look forward to working closely with existing and new families alike.

## Transition to Primary 1

Transition is the term we use in school when children change stages. In primary school there are two key transition points:

- Pre-school – Primary 1
- Primary 7 – S1

Across our individual schools, we have a transitions program to support and encourage our children and families at this key time of change.

This year what we are able to do and offer is slightly different as a result of the circumstances that we find ourselves in globally. This also reflects the need to follow local and government guidance on minimising the risk of infection.

## Primary 1 Transition Sessions

All of the children transitioning to St John's will have **TWO** transition sessions during the month of June.

<b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2021</b>
3:30pm-4:30pm
<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June 2021</b>
3:30pm-4:30pm

We have decided to hold these visits after school hours in order to allow the children to enter the school building. We feel that they will really benefit from spending some time in their new classroom. Please acknowledge receipt of the arrangements and confirm your child's attendance by [clicking here](#).

### School Visits

Your child will get to meet their new teacher and visit their classroom, meeting some of their peers. The children will also have an opportunity to meet some of the school staff and have a tour of the school. This can be reinforced at home through an interactive resource which we will provide. This will show the different areas of the school building and will serve as a visual reminder of the key adults your child will encounter.

Due to social distancing measures still in place, children may spend some time outside or in the gym hall and therefore will not all be in their classroom at the same time.

We are very much looking forward to meeting you and will be in touch with further transition information over the coming weeks. We will contact you prior to your child's visits to inform you of the practical arrangements, including drop off and collection procedures. In the meantime, please don't hesitate to contact us or your child's nursery (if attending) should you wish to discuss anything further.

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