

Welcome to Crookfur Primary



New Entrant
Parent Information Leaflet

Session 2021 -2022



A Warm Welcome to Crookfur Primary

Starting school is an exciting time for you and your child. To ensure there is a smooth transition from Nursery to Primary School it is important that you are familiar with the school and know how the first few weeks are organised. This may be different to previous years due to current circumstances.

Drop Off and Pick Up

Please remember to park in Eastwood High School car park, the school car park is for staff and accessible parking only.

A one way system is in place within the school grounds for drop off and collection and we ask that you enter the school grounds using the path at the pedestrian crossing (at Eastwood High School car park) and exit down the other path (at school car park). This will be signposted and staff will be on hand to help. There will be heart shaped markers on the path leading up to the primary one door to support safe distancing.

Staff will be at the entrance door to welcome children and take them into their class bays, unfortunately no parents are allowed in the building.

Children start school this year from **Wednesday 18th August**.

Primary One will start at **9am** with the doors opening from 8.50am

You should collect your child at the P1 door at **3.15pm**. Your child will be brought out by their Primary One teacher.

You will get an insight into the first day at school by following our school Twitter account, where we will post lots of photographs throughout the day.

Snack Time

Primary One children have a snack time in the classroom prior to playtime. This is a lovely social time where they eat their snack and chat to each other and their teacher. Most children bring a healthy fruit snack to school and a water bottle.



Play Time

Playtime is great fun! At playtime your child can play with friends outside in the playground. The playground has distinct areas for each stage. Our Janitor, Leadership Team and Support Staff supervise the children. We have a Prefect system, where older pupils look after Primary 1 children. They also help look after your child inside school at playtime when it is raining.

We encourage all of our children to help Mr Weir, our janitor, to keep the school beautiful by putting all of their litter in the bin.



Lunch Time

Free school lunches are provided for all Primary 1- 3 children. Copies of these menus can be found on the East Renfrewshire council website.



Children order their lunch when they arrive in the classroom in the morning. School and packed lunches are eaten in the dining room and lunch is supervised by school staff. Children going home for lunch must be collected from the main office by a parent or carer.

School Uniform

We like everyone to wear school uniform. Our uniform policy is detailed in the table below.

| Primary 1 - 5 | Primary 6 - 7 |
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| Shirt and tie or Polo shirt & Sweatshirt | Shirt and tie |
| Grey skirts/pinafore of an acceptable modest length | Grey skirts of an acceptable modest length |
| Red checked Summer dress | Red checked Summer dress |
| Grey trousers / shorts | Grey trousers / shorts |
| Grey or Red v-neck jumper or cardigan | Grey or Red v-neck jumper or cardigan |
| School reversible jacket / Blazer / Rain jacket | School reversible jacket / Blazer / Rain jacket |
| Appropriate dark coloured school shoes (not trainers) | Appropriate dark coloured school shoes (not trainers) |
| Red t-shirt and dark shorts for PE | Red t-shirt and dark shorts for PE |
| Nursery & P1 | |
| Wellington Boots (to be kept in school) | |

If you wish to order uniform online, this can be done through our school website. Items will be delivered to your home.

Children will be spending time learning outdoors and therefore we suggest having a pair of black leggings or joggers and an outdoor suit to wear on days when learning outdoors.

Children can also wear PE kit e.g. black joggers or shorts, red t-shirt and red sweatshirt on PE days to avoid having to change.

Information around PE days and outdoor learning will be communicated in August.



*Please put your child's name on **everything**!!*

We like anyone with long hair to tie it back. This helps keep everyone looking neat and tidy as well as making it much less likely that head lice can move from head to head.

Equipment



As well as their uniform your child will also need a school bag, a full water bottle and a painting apron (this can be an old shirt).

We are not changing our shoes at the moment therefore indoor shoes are not required each day. Plimsolls or black trainers can be brought/worn on PE Days.

Children will be provided with any stationary that they require.

Attendance



If you wish your child to leave school early, for example for a dental appointment, please send a letter/email to school and report to the School Office. A record of children leaving school is kept there.

If your child is going to be absent we ask that you phone the school office by 9.30am. The phone lines are open from 8.30am. We appreciate your support with this.

If your child is not in school and we do not have a record of a planned absence or appointment we will contact you.

Learning Space

Each class will have their own large bay within the primary one space. Within this bay there will be a range of play spaces, a carpet area and tables and chairs for table top activities. Space and resources will continue to be managed carefully in line with current health and safety advice.

Primary One also have their own large outdoor area which is accessed regularly.

Baseline Assessment and Developmental Milestones



When your child starts school in August, we use the information from the Nursery as well as East Renfrewshire's Baseline Assessment. They help us find out about your child's knowledge of numbers, letters, rhyme etc. This information helps to ensure children do not repeat things they have already learned and allows them to progress in their learning.

Developmental Milestones Screening is completed in line with requirements of the Scottish Government and is used to give us a clear picture of your child's strengths and next steps.

Parental Involvement

We feel it is essential to ensure parents are fully informed and involved in their child's education. We hold a meeting for you to meet your child's teacher twice a year (November and March). A written report is issued in June.

Parental workshops will be held throughout the year to explain to parents how we teach in school and how they can help their child at home, these will be carried out virtually initially. Leaflets are also available to explain how parents can help to support their child. Each class also has a learning blog that can be viewed through the pupil section of the school website.

If you have any questions that you feel we have not answered please do not hesitate to contact us at 0141 570 7120, no question is too trivial at this important time.

In addition we have an active Parent Council and Parent Staff Fundraising Committee. They are keen to make contact with new parents in the school and can be a great source of information as well as to encourage you to become involved in the wider life of the school.

Primary One School Hours for August 2020

The exact timings of the Primary One day are still to be confirmed and will be dependent on current guidance nearer the time. We will communicate the final timings, including playtimes and lunchtimes, with you in August prior to your child starting.

Staff

There are three registration groups in Primary One this year and you will be informed of your child's class teacher. The teachers working in Primary One are:

Mrs Denholm



Mrs Dougall



Miss Regan



Mrs McGuigan is the Head Teacher

Mrs Jamieson is the Depute Head Teacher with responsibility for Primary 1.

Mrs Slorach is the Depute Head Teacher with responsibility for Co-ordinating any additional support for pupils.

Mrs Brennan is the Office Manager



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