

## THE KPS TRANSITION PROGRAMME

As your child is getting ready for school, we are aware that there may be feelings of uncertainty and worry about how your child will cope with this big change. We hope that the KPS Transition Programme will ensure that every child has the skills to cope with the transition from nursery into P1.

Transitions are a time or process of change and already your child will have experienced many transitions in their life, the most significant transition from home to nursery.

In order for your child to have settled well at nursery and be at a stage where they are happy and content to leave you, this transition would have had to have been tailored to suit your child's individual needs. Carefully planned transitions and close working relationships with the parent and keyworker would have ensured a positive transition for your child at this time.

It has been recognised that the skills the children will learn by having opportunities to visit a primary school environment are valuable. Every school environment has similarities such as the school bell, dining hall, playground and layout of the classroom with desks and chairs, whiteboard and most importantly a teacher.

By having regular visits to a school environment, this will enable all children to become familiar with the routine of a school day. The children will become more confident and gain skills at these visits which they will transfer when they begin primary school in August.

We are fortunate to be located in the same building as Kilmacolm Primary School and we have a very positive working relationship with our colleagues in the school. In using this opportunity we have planned a transition programme where all pre school children will visit the school to develop skills that will support them in Primary 1.

Kilmacolm  
Nursery  
Class



Kilmacolm  
Primary  
School

We have many activities and events planned and organised in Kilmacolm Primary school as part of the 'Transition Programme'.....

## TEDDY BEARS PICNIC

In June your child is invited to come along (with their teddy bear) to a Teddy Bears Picnic. This is a chance for all the new P1s to meet before they start in August. Their buddies will be there too!



## PLAY SESSIONS

The nursery children regularly visit the P1 classrooms where they take part in special afternoon play sessions. The nursery and P1 children play together in a variety of ways. This gives the nursery children an opportunity to be part of the P1 class where they get to know not only the P1 children but the P1 staff too! The play sessions are only for the children who attend nursery in the afternoon.

## PLAYTIME

The children will have the opportunity to explore 'playtime' in the playground. This will encourage independence skills by putting on their own jackets, collecting a snack, responding to the school bell and most importantly developing social skills with friends.



## MEET YOUR BUDDY DAY

The new P1 children will meet their new Buddy for the first time in March! The day will be filled with fun activities that will be organised around the school....in the Library, the Music Room, the Gym Hall, the Dining Hall and the Playground.