

Who are transition teachers?

Across Renfrewshire there are 11 transition teachers working to support children with their move from primary to high school. They work with children on their literacy and numeracy learning, to help them to feel confident and achieve their learning potential across transition. Their main message is that moving to high school is not a big jump, but simply the next step in their progression within the Curriculum for Excellence. The move to high school is very positive and children will be well supported in their wellbeing and learning along the way.

How do transition teachers work with children?

- work with ALL children to help them build on previous learning and feel confident with what they already know and can do as they move schools
- work more closely with some children who need short term input with some skills and concepts in their learning
- work with different groups of children at different times when required
- get to know ALL transitioning children well
- stay with children in their first few months of high school to continue to help them build on what they already know



How do transition teachers work with colleagues?

- team teach with P7 and S1 teachers
- jointly plan with colleagues to support children's learning in the classroom
- ensure that learning connections are made between primary and high school so that children can build on previous learning
- ensure that high school teachers know how children were supported with their learning and wellbeing in primary, so as this can continue as seamlessly as possible in high school

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How do transition teachers support families?

- build relationships with families across transition
- keep families of those children they are working most closely with up to date with progress
- attend parents' nights for a chat with parents about the role and how they can help
- gather family ideas about transition, including information about the anxieties created by lockdown – they will be in touch with some families to gather this information and build on it

