

Transition into school 2020



ETHOS



'Seek ye first the Kingdom of God

St. Patrick's is founded upon core values. Our principal values are Gospel based upon Respect for the Life and Dignity of Each Individual, Trust in God, Honesty, Compassion, Forgiveness, Mercy, Community, Servant Leadership, Equality, Simplicity, Justice and Peace.

WELCOME

- ▶ Welcome to everybody
- ▶ <https://stpatrickscp.npcat.org.uk/>
- ▶ This meeting is to talk about how we can work together to make the transition from nursery to school as smooth as possible.
- ▶ Our school is a part of the Nicholas Postgate Catholic Academy Trust



The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)

- ▶ The EYFS (Early years foundation stage) comprises of nursery and reception
- ▶ We have a 78 place nursery and class 1 reception class and class 2 reception/Y1
- ▶ Nursery - Mrs Kennedy, Mrs Cassidy, Mrs McNamee & Miss Matthews
- ▶ Class 1 - Miss Ward, Mrs Jackson & Miss Wardell
- ▶ Class 2 - Miss Newby & Miss Thompson

The curriculum

- ▶ The EYFS follows the 'Development matters' curriculum
- ▶ This is made up of 17 areas of learning and progression is from the age of 0 -11 months up to 40-60 months, then onto achieving an Early Learning Goal (ELG)
- ▶ The areas are: (See development matters)
- ▶ <https://www.foundationyears.org.uk/files/2012/03/Development-Matters-FINAL-PRINT-AMENDED.pdf>

RE 'Talking to God'

- ▶ RE is an integral part of our curriculum
- ▶ RE teaching follows the 'Come and see' curriculum
- ▶ Collective worship in class and EYFS phase each week
- ▶ Children will say daily prayers and PSED curriculum is closely linked to RE
- ▶ Termly newsletters



Areas of learning

- ▶ Your child is assessed every term against the learning objectives in each of the areas of learning.
- ▶ In each age band your child will be given a level of development
 - ▶ Emerging
 - ▶ Expected
 - ▶ Exceeding

Exit Profile

- ▶ You will be given an exit profile report at the end of nursery and reception and you will be told which age band your child is in for each area of learning and whether they are emerging, expected or exceeding in these areas

TRANSITION

- ▶ When the children return to school in September your child will return to nursery until **Monday 14th September**.
- ▶ Your child will return to the original nursery session they were in before lockdown. This will only be for 2 weeks.
- ▶ For those children starting our school from other settings a member of staff will be in touch to discuss preferred session.
- ▶ This will give staff the opportunity and time to settle the children back into nursery and school routine. The children will meet their new teachers and friends, have a school dinner and spend time in their new classroom.
- ▶ On **Monday 14th September** your child will make the transition into full time reception.
- ▶ Please speak to a member of staff if you have any concerns.

FIRST DAY AT SCHOOL

- ▶ School times for reception children will be 8.40-2.55
- ▶ On your child's first day at school bring them the door outside of class 2
- ▶ A member of the Reception staff will be there to welcome them
- ▶ They will take your child into their classroom and they will be shown where to put all of their belongings
- ▶ Your child will not need to bring a snack to school, each Reception child receives a piece of fruit for a snack each day and a drink of milk.
- ▶ They will need to bring a water bottle each day.
- ▶ You can then collect them at 2.55 from outside the door of class 1 or class 2

UNIFORM

- ▶ Uniform for September 2020
- ▶ Grey trousers/skirt/pinafore (available from most supermarkets and shops)
- ▶ White shirt/polo shirt/blouse (available from most supermarkets and shops)
- ▶ Green v neck jumper with school badge (from motif 8)
- ▶ School string tie (from motif 8)
- ▶ Black shoes
- ▶ Girls hair tied neatly back where possible and sensible haircut for boys
- ▶ No earrings or jewellery allowed in school

UNIFORM – available from motif 8

<https://www.motif8.co.uk/schoolwear/primary-schools/st-patricks-primary-school.html>



PE KIT

- ▶ Black shorts
- ▶ White t shirt
- ▶ Black plimsolls
- ▶ Bring PE kit in a backpack on a Monday and leave in school until Friday
- ▶ PE will be twice a week
- ▶ Please help your child to get dressed and undressed independently to help them when it is time to change for PE

PE KIT



BOOK BAGS

- ▶ Your child will need a book bag/reading packet for school everyday
- ▶ They will have a reading book and key words to read each night
- ▶ Please support your child by listening them to read each night and write a comment in their reading record book



BOOK BAGS – available from Motif 8



SCHOOL DINNERS

- Every Reception and Key Stage One child is entitled to a free school meal



SCHOOL DINNERS

- ▶ Your child will have a choice of 2 hot meals and 1 cold meal
- ▶ They will choose their meal at register time each morning
- ▶ Reception children go into the dinner hall first and are supported by teachers and lunch time supervisors
- ▶ If your child is not eating their school meal you will be informed
- ▶ Information about school meals can be found on our school website.

<https://stpatrickscp.npcat.org.uk/school-meals/>

SCHOOL DINNERS

- ▶ If you intend to give your child a packed lunch they will eat with children on a packed lunch too
- ▶ A packed lunch needs to have:
- ▶ A sandwich/wrap/pasta
- ▶ A yoghurt
- ▶ A piece of fruit
- ▶ A treat e.g. Chocolate biscuit or cake
- ▶ Crisps are only allowed on a Friday

SCHOOL DINNERS

- ▶ Your child will be given water at their dinner table
- ▶ No drinks are needed in a packed lunch and no sweets or large chocolate bars
- ▶ Each child needs to bring a water bottle (labelled with their name) to school each day to leave in their classroom and they can have a drink when they need one.



ILLNESSES

- ▶ If your child is unwell please call school on the morning to let us know that your child will be absent
- ▶ If you are unsure whether to send them to school - send them to school and we can contact you if they become more unwell
- ▶ For diarrhoea and sickness your child should stay away from school for 48 hours

MEDICAL CONDITIONS

- ▶ Nursery will pass on details of any existing medical conditions to new teachers
- ▶ Please have an inhaler to leave in school for children with asthma
- ▶ Any new food allergies and medical conditions please let a member of staff know as soon as possible

HOLIDAYS

- ▶ School are not permitted to allow any holidays in term time (only exceptional circumstances)
- ▶ See term dates on our school website
- ▶ <https://stpatrickscp.npcat.org.uk/school-holidays/>

BREAKFAST AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Please speak to a member of staff if you would like your child to attend breakfast or after school clubs and they will discuss availability and costs.

BEHAVIOUR and EXPECTATIONS

- ▶ We want all children to have the highest expectations of themselves and behave appropriately at all times
- ▶ We have termly parent meetings to inform you of your child's progress and how they are settling into school life
- ▶ We will meet parents more regularly if we need to and support each other
- ▶ Please speak to a member of staff at any time if you have any concerns regarding your child

FUTURE MEETINGS

- ▶ We will have some more meetings in school to help you support your child in school. These will be on:
 - ▶ READING, PHONICS, EARLY WRITING
- ▶ Welcome mass at St Patrick's Church date to be confirmed



Questions

- ▶ Any questions?????
- ▶ Please see a member of staff you if have any queries or concerns about your child starting school.
- ▶ We communicate to parents and carers through:
 - ▶ Text message
 - ▶ Newsletters
 - ▶ School website - stpatrickscp.npcat.org.uk
 - ▶ School twitter
 - ▶ Parents meetings

THANK YOU

- ▶ Thank you for your continued support and we look forward to working with you during your child's journey through St Patrick's Primary school.

