



Welcome to Portlethen Primary School

P1 Parents' Information Evening

Thursday 8th June 2023



Staff

Head Teacher

Mrs Christina Hardie

Class Teachers

Mrs Lee-Anne Campbell

Miss Megan Anderson

Depute Head Teachers

Mrs Hayley Williams

Miss Karen Cormack

Enhanced Provision Teachers

Mrs Meg Cannon

Miss Emaleigh Lansdell

ASL Teacher

Mrs Jenna White

Starting School - Term 1 2023



Day 1 - Tuesday the 22nd August

- Children start school at 9:15am (unless otherwise arranged).
- The bell will ring two minutes before for children to line up.
- P1 and P1/2 children will line up with their new class in the playground near the front gate. Signs will mark where children line up on the first day. Children attending Enhanced Provision line up at the main front door.
- Children finish school at 12:10pm (unless otherwise arranged).
- They will leave by the same door they came in.

Starting School - Term 1 2023



Day 2 – Wednesday 23rd August

- ★ Children start school at 9:00am.
- ★ Children finish school at 12:15pm.

- ★ They will continue to attend at these times until Friday 1st September.
- ★ From Monday 4th September children will attend full time from 9:00am to 3:20pm.
- Those children requiring an enhanced transition will have an agreed plan of times put in place.

School Day



- Start 9:00am
- Playtime 10:30 – 10:50am (healthy snack, no nuts please)
- Lunch 12:15 - 12:55pm
- Playtime 2:00 – 2:20pm
- Home 3:20pm

- Snack is optional. Water only in water bottles, no juice.

Playtimes



- Your child will have opportunities to play in or visit the playground and will be familiar with the area.
- All *new to P1* children will wear high-visibility vests for the first term so that playground staff can easily identify them.
- Please ensure that your child has suitable clothing to wear due to the unpredictable nature of Scottish weather.

Lunchtime



- A menu is available on Aberdeenshire Council website. [Primary school meals - Aberdeenshire Council](#)
- Meals are free for children in P1-5.
- (*If your child is entitled to a free school meal, please do still make the application to receive this as Portlethen PS receives Scottish Government Pupil Equity Funding for each child who is entitled to this). [Free school meals - Aberdeenshire Council](#)
- Three choices per day, child indicates choice in the morning.
- You can supply a packed lunch for your child.
- *Please note that if a packed lunch is brought in from home then your child cannot choose a meal from school on the same day. The meal chosen in class in the morning, is the meal that will be prepared for your child.
- ★ Special diets can be catered for.

Try a School Lunch



- On Thursday 31st August children will have the opportunity to try a school lunch. This will be free.
- One adult can also accompany at an approximate cost of £2.80.
- Lunch will start at 11.40am so please arrive at 11.35am. If children are not having school lunch then they will need to be collected at 11:30am.

Items your child will need for the first day of school



- Jacket / Suitable shoes
 - Uniform
- Outdoor shoes suitable for gym – no laces please.
 - School bag
- Water bottle – no juice please
 - Optional snack

****PLEASE PUT YOUR CHILD'S NAME ON ALL ITEMS***

We do not have a lost property so please ensure that all items are clearly labelled.

School Uniform



Information about our uniforms is available on our school website

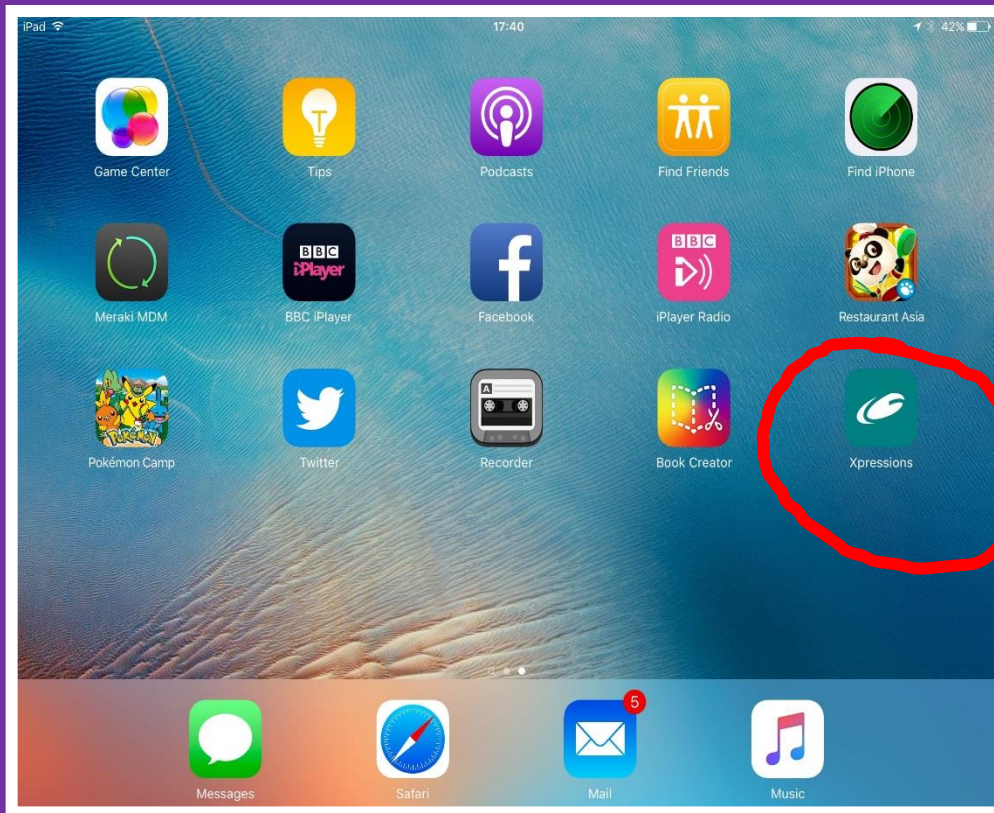
Communication from the school



- Class termly newsletter and a whole school monthly newsletter.
- We would appreciate it if your child could be given permission to have their photograph taken and used on our social media pages to celebrate our successes and achievements. We have 99% of the school signed up! Information will be sent to you on how to do this.
- Successes and achievements for our school are recorded through Twitter @portyschool. Please follow us!
- We have a closed group Facebook page that all current parents and carers can join.
- Through the *Expressions* App.



Communication from the school



Xpression is an app that lets you view all of the school communication on your tablet or mobile phone. All information will come through this app and is available on Apple iOS and Android devices.

There is an information leaflet in your pack that explains how to sign up for this app. This information is also available on our school website.

Please sign up for this app – it is how we communicate most effectively with you!

General Information



- Discuss with your child who is picking them up – *let the school know if it someone different picking up your child*.
- Illness – please send a message on Xpressions app to report your child’s absence stating the reason and expected duration.
- Sickness and diarrhoea – please allow 48 hours from the final occurrence before returning to school, as bugs can be easily transmitted.
- Please ensure that you keep us informed of any change to your personal contact details.
- Please complete the medical form if your child requires medication in school, for example the use of an inhaler.

There will be further opportunities for you to interact with the school throughout the year.

These are some of our normal events that we host:

- Curricular events – e.g. Literacy and Numeracy sessions.
- ‘Let’s Learn Together’ sessions throughout the year.
- Parents’ Evenings
- Other opportunities to speak to Teachers by telephone appointment or face to face.
- School report yearly
- Class Assemblies/Christmas Nativity/Christmas Enterprise
- Follow us on Twitter@portyschool





Curriculum for Excellence (Cfe)



Experiences and Outcomes

Early Level (Nursery to P1)*

First Level (P2 to P4)*

Second Level (P5-P7)*

*When pupils achieve these levels varies



Early Level



- Literacy (listening, talking, reading and writing)
- Numeracy
- Health and Well Being
- Science
- Social Studies
- Technologies
- Expressive Arts - P.E. Drama, Art and Music
- Religious and Moral Education



Teaching and Learning Approaches

- **Active Learning**
 - Games
 - Discussion
 - Group work
 - Outdoor learning
 - ICT
 - Play (Loose Parts)
- **Emerging Literacy – P1 packs**
- **Active Literacy/Emerging Literacy**
- **Assessment (Emerging Literacy appointment)**
 - New Scottish Government assessments

Parent Group – please get involved!

Portlethen Primary Together

