

"DID YOU ONLY PLAY TODAY?"

Today I did my math and language, rich tasks too,
I used my eyes, my ears and hands, my senses the whole day through.
I added and subtracted, learned patience all the day.
I used tweezers, blocks, and puzzles,
And worked with the scrubbing tray.
I learned how to mix colors,
And learned how to weigh.



,please don't say-

"DID YOU BRING ANY PAPERS HOME TODAY?"

You see, I'm sharing as I play,
Learning self control throughout the day,
I'm learning to listen and speak clearly when I talk,
To wait my turn and when inside to walk,
To put my words into phrases,
To balance along the "Red Rod" maze,
To find my name and write it down,
I do it with a smile, not a frown.



,please don't say,

"WHY DON'T YOU HAVE ANY PAPERS TODAY?"

I learned about a snail, I learned about a worm,
I learned about flags and maps,
And how to take a turn,
I helped a friend when he was stuck,
I learned that water runs off a duck.
I looked at words from left to right,
Agreed to differ, not to fight.

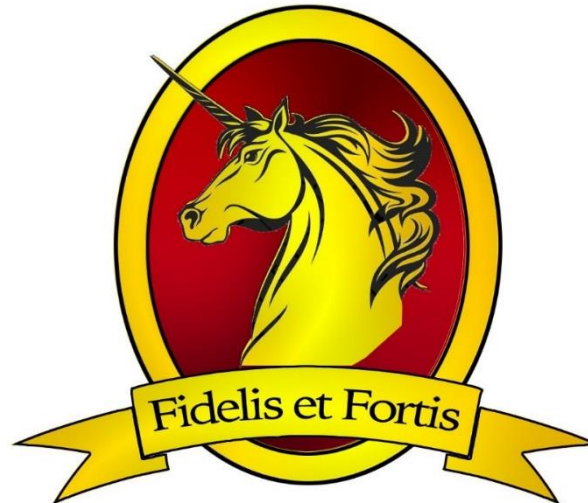
Today I sang the continent song,
I learned the difference between right and wrong,
,please don't say,

"DID YOU ONLY PLAY TODAY?"



JAMES GILLESPIE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

P1 INDUCTIONS 2019



Welcome!

Meet the Staff at JGPS!

- ▶ Mr Colin McLean - Head Teacher
- ▶ Mr Danny Hoyle - Depute Head Teacher P5-P7
- ▶ Mrs Katrina Chamberlain - Depute Head Teacher P2-P4
- ▶ Mrs Karen Goddard - Depute Head Teacher Nursery - P1
- ▶ Mrs Varrie Gullan - P1A Class Teacher
- ▶ Miss Laura Jackson & Miss Harriet King - P1B Class Teachers
- ▶ Miss Niamh Kelly - P1C Class Teacher

P1 Induction Meeting



- Welcome
- Children go to their new classroom
- Parents information about P1 at JGPS - Mrs Chamberlain
- Information about Parent Council, Fun and Funds, Clubs and Multilingual group, Library, After School Club
- Parents meet key staff and other parents
- Opportunity to purchase gym bags, water bottles and to find out about Parent Pay and ordering lunches

Fischy Music Welcome Everybody



Parachute games

Nursery - P1 Transition

- ▶ Nursery Learning Journals and Transition reports
- ▶ Visits to school/classrooms on request
- ▶ JGPS nursery joins in assemblies, other nurseries invited to attend one in May
- ▶ Cluster Transition Project - The Snail and the Whale
- ▶ Induction mornings
- ▶ P1 Curriculum Evening Monday 28th October 6-7pm
Open morning Tuesday 29th October (times tbc)
- ▶ This slide show and school handbook are on school website
- ▶ You will be asked to evaluate at

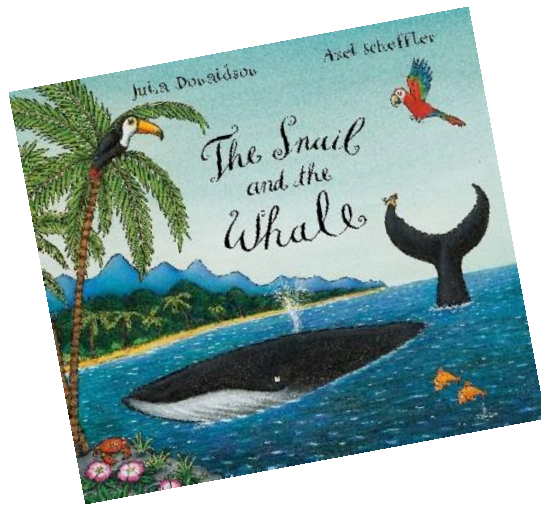
The Snail and the Whale Nursery Transition Project 2019

Our Journey to Primary 1

All children transitioning to primary schools in the Boroughmuir, James Gillespie's and Liberton clusters will be invited to take part in our Transition Project. The project is based on the good practice that has been happening across these clusters over the past few years.

The aims of the project are:

- To build strong links between nursery, parent and school and ensure that the transition process is successful, and that the children feel happy and confident during this time of change
- **To engage parents in literacy activities to help them prepare their child for the transition to school**
- To offer a shared experience for all our new P1 learners which can be built on P1



Collect Memory bag and letter for summer activity today
Only 3 light weight items, please.

Curriculum for Excellence

Early Level

- ▶ Early Level Experiences and Outcomes (Es and Os) are covered in three years - Nursery year 1, Nursery year 2 and Primary 1
- ▶ Many Es and Os across the curriculum can be learned through play activities in nursery or in P1
- ▶ Teachers use National Benchmarks to assess children's learning
- ▶ Transition reports give P1 teachers information about what children have learned and achieved
- ▶ New approach in P1 to help smooth the transition from Nursery to P1
- ▶ Teachers will set up play activities similar to nursery, children will be encouraged to participate in each activity and will collect a colour peg to show that they have completed/experienced each area
- ▶ Challenges will be set and there will also be opportunities to explore and experiment so that children can drive their own learning and interest
- ▶ Teachers will take groups of children to teach focus lessons – Literacy Rich program and SEAL for numeracy



Symbolic Play



Locomotor Play



Recapitulative Play



Creative Play



Exploratory Play



Communication Play



Role Play



Fantasy Play

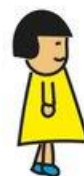


Socio-dramatic Play

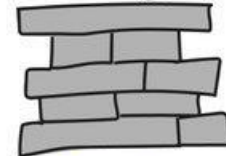
PLAY TYPES



Object Play



Mastery Play



Deep Play



Rough and Tumble Play



Dramatic Play



Social Play



Imaginative Play



How can you help your child with transition to school?

- Read books together everyday, repeat favourites often
- Recite nursery rhymes and explore rhyming words
- Look for numbers in environment
- Say number word sequences forwards and backwards
- Count items - stairs, plates, grapes, people, socks, cars, trees, everything!
- Play together as a family - board games, jigsaws, sports, running, chasing, ball games, etc. Let your child lose!
- Encourage daily scribbling, drawing and pretend writing
- Encourage your child to talk about their emotions and feelings and reassure them that they can cope with all the changes and feel successful

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- Talk positively about school, even if your own experience was not very good
 - Give lots of praise for effort rather than intelligence
 - Focus on good behaviour
 - Regular routines build independence - eat meals together, encourage your child to dress and undress themselves, leave enough time to get ready - feeling rushed can cause upset and make sure your child is having enough sleep (11 to 12 hours)

Share any concerns with a member of staff

First few days

Please supply a small snack everyday

Wednesday 14th August 2019

school closed for all pupils

Thursday 15th August 2019

All children in all morning 9-12noon

11.20-11.50 trial school lunch

Friday 16th August 2019

All children in all morning

8.45am - 12.00noon

Monday 19th August 2019

All children in all day

8.45am - 2.50pm Monday to Thursday

8.45am - 12.15 Friday

VERY IMPORTANT

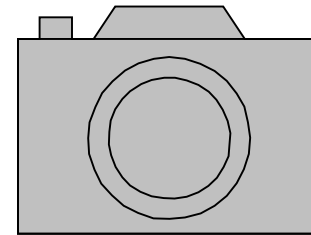
Please book school lunches
today
or
supply a packed lunch

Snack is eaten inside
10.25-10.40am during
story time

Lunch is at 12-12.55pm

First Day in Primary One

- ▶ Children will line up in the playground at 9am
- ▶ Class teachers will lead the children to their classroom
- ▶ Parents invited to follow
- ▶ Photo opportunity!
- ▶ Parents leave by 9.15am – quick good bye
- ▶ Parents to pick up from playground at 12.00 noon – please be on time to avoid upset, thank you



Snack and other important info!

- ▶ Please supply a small, simple, healthy snack for playtime (avoid big containers) and a full water bottle everyday (the children have about 10 minutes to eat snack)
- ▶ We have several children with allergies and request that you do not send nuts to school for snack or lunch
- ▶ Children are not allowed to share snacks
- ▶ Milk has to be paid for the year, through Parent Pay
- ▶ Please supply a PE kit in a draw string bag - T-shirt, shorts, plimsolls, joggers, trainers (for outdoor PE) to be kept in school
- ▶ PLEASE NAME EVERYTHING!
- ▶ Please discourage bringing toys to school
- ▶ Dress for our Scottish weather - outside learning in the rain!
- ▶ Shoes - each child needs indoor shoes (plimsolls) and outdoor shoes which will get messy (can be trainers)

Book bags and House colours

- ▶ Please avoid big school bags as we have very limited storage
- ▶ Book bags can be purchased with school uniform orders (you can order the house colour if you wish)
- ▶ Spylaw - red
- ▶ Warrender - green
- ▶ Roslin - yellow
- ▶ Gilmore - blue



JGPS School Rules

Learning rule

Learn all you can

Respect rule

Treat others as you would like to be treated

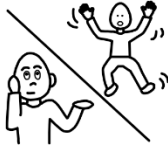
Safety rule

Play and learn safely at all times

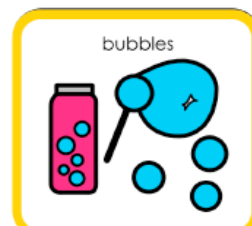
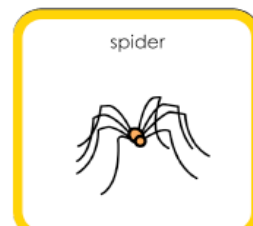
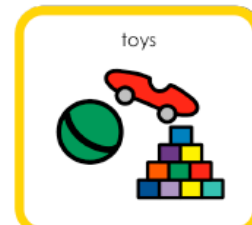
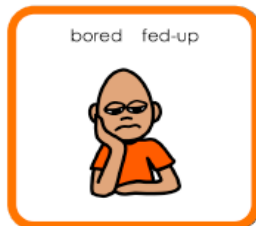
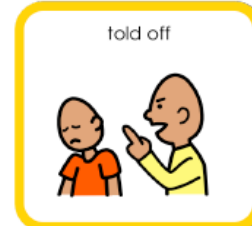
Problem solving rule

Solve problems in a peaceful manner

Emotion Talks Sequencer

what happened?  trigger	how did it feel in my body  body sensations	emotion word  -----	what I did to show it  behaviour	feel better?  regulation

Emotions and possible triggers



Behaviours



Would you let your child play here?



Think of the internet as a place. Know where your child is.

Internet Safety

- JGPS P4-P7 internet safety presentation
 - More information is on School website – family learning page
 - Suggestion for Parents/Carers of year group to agree an age threshold for smartphones (personal internet access unsupervised)
 - Possibly P6 or P7 to avoid peer pressure and 'everyone else has one' claim
 - Could use basic mobile phone without internet access if required
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- Taking photos - adults should model asking for permission to take/share a photo

Medical Information

- Parent/carer responsibility to keep school up to date
- All medication – parents/carers must complete a non prescribed / prescribed medication form (office)
- Medication to be handed to office by parent – **please do not put in child's schoolbag**
- Medicines must be supplied in original container and be in date
- **First dose of medicine must be given by parent/carer**
- Parents/carers should note the expiry date to ensure medication is replaced when required
- Inhalers – P1 -3 **kept by the class teacher in class medical bag**

Older children may carry own

Adrenaline Pens – Can only be administered after completing correct forms by parent/carer

- **Staff are trained in the use of Adrenaline pens**
- Ideally a spare set of all medication should be kept in school office as a back up





Excursions

- Parental consent must be given on Parent Pay
- KIC form - Parent/Carer completes, signs and returns to school at start of session
- All medical information must be written on KIC form every time
- Excursions - letter home requesting permission and payment via Parent Pay
- We can support any school costs for families with low incomes
Please discuss in confidence with HT
- Parent/carers sign to confirm information on KIC we hold is still correct
- If updates required parent/carers to make changes and return to school
- Parent/carers helpers are often needed for trips
- Regular Parent helpers in classroom - need to be PVG checked

Attendance and Punctuality



- Please phone the school if your child is ill on the first day of absence and then every day until they return to school

If you do not contact the school by 9.15 you will receive a text message

- Persistent lateness or absence will be addressed by school - let us know if there is a difficulty and we will try to help

- Children should line up as soon as the bell rings

- **VERY IMPORTANT** - Remember to inform After School Care if your child is absent or going somewhere else eg play date

Money Matters

VIPs - Mrs Melanie Dougal and Mrs Sally Reid

- ▶ Cashless school
- ▶ Parent pay registration
- ▶ Lunch and milk ordering



Social Security Scotland
Tèarainteachd Shòisealta Alba

Dignity, fairness, respect.

What affects whether you can apply

If you're over 18, you can apply whether you're in work or not, but you must be getting one of these:

Child Tax Credit	Universal Credit
Income Support	Pension Credit
Working Tax Credit	Housing Benefit
Income-based Jobseekers Allowance (JSA), not 'contribution based' JSA	
Income-related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA), not 'contribution based' ESA	

Best Start Grants from the Scottish Government Social Security

From Monday 3 June the Best Start Grant School Age Payment will be open for applications.

The Best Start Grant School Age Payment is a one-off payment of £250 available around the time a child would normally start Primary 1. The first application window for the School Age Payment will run from 3 June 2019 to 29 Feb 2020, children who were born from 1 March 2014 to 28 Feb 2015 inclusive will be the right age to claim.

New Social Security Scotland grants include...

- Best Start Grant Early Years Payment
- Best Start Grant School Age Payment
- Carer's Allowance Supplement

Find out if you're eligible for Best Start Grant Pregnancy and Baby Payment by calling 0800 182 2222 or visiting www.mygov.scot/pregnancy-and-baby-payment

Picnic on the Links

- ▶ Friday 14th June 2019 12.30pm
- ▶ All new P1 families welcome
- ▶ Meet in the enclosed area of the links
- ▶ Bring your own picnic
- ▶ Weather dependent – fingers crossed for a bit of sun!

Welcome to our community groups

- ▶ Parent Council - Fiona McDiarmid, Kirstin Leighton and Nicola Battistini
- ▶ Parent Council P1 rep - Nicola Battistini
- ▶ Fun and Funds Group - Nicola Battistini, Kirstin Leighton
- ▶ JGPS Clubs - Kirstin Leighton
- ▶ "Skool is Out" - David Knight
- ▶ Multilingual Group - Eva Hanna, Maia Guell, Khadijah Elshayyal
- ▶ School Nurse - Pamela Craig, Catherine Paton
- ▶ Library volunteers

JGPS Parent Council



"When parents and schools work together, children do better"

Welcome to JGPS!

The responsibilities of a Parent Council fall broadly within the following four areas:

- 1. Representing the views of parents**
- 2. Supporting the school in its work with pupils**
- 3. Reporting to the Parent Forum**
- 4. Promoting contact between the school, parents, pupils, and the community**

JGPS Parent Council Sub Groups 2019

Rising Pupil Rolls – Mitigating the impact on the school and taking development opportunities

School Clubs

Multi-Lingual Parents and Children

Travel Committee

Play Ground and Gardening

Eco Schools

"The Parent Council, as a statutory body, has the right to information and advice on matters which affect children's education. In all cases, parents and the Parent Council can expect to influence decisions, to be listened to and be taken seriously."

Please get involved...



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- **The JGPS Parent Council is open to everyone!**
- **Get in touch** with your **Year Rep: Nicola Mitchell** (let us know your email address and you can be included on the year group mailing list)
- **Check our website** (access through school website front page)
- **Attend meetings (1-2 per term)** (advertised through the Head Teacher's weekly school e-newsletter)
- **Volunteer to participate in a sub group**
- **Just volunteer your time when you can**

Find out more about how children learn and get the most out of their school

Get to know other parents

Get involved with the school

Use your skills to support the school

If you have a view that you'd like to bring to the attention of the Parent Council, please email the Parent Council Chair Chiara Macdonald camatimacd@gmail.com

It is not the role of a Parent Council to tackle individual issues affecting a specific child where the parent should proceed first to the class teacher. However your views on any issues are welcome, as a single issue may provide an opportunity to review and discuss a subject more widely.

Remember you can contact your child's class teacher at any time by emailing admin@jamesgillespies-pri.edin.sch.uk with FAO and the class teacher's name.

JGPS Parent Council website: <http://jgpsparentcouncil.wordpress.com/>

JGPS website: <http://www.jamesgillespiesprimary.co.uk/>

Multilingual Parents Group's Goals



For multilingual families: Share experiences, help connect same-language families

For the school:

- Raise awareness of how bilingual kids learn
- Celebrate the languages and cultures of all its pupils, monolingual and multilingual alike: World Book Day, Foods from Around the World, Multilingual Library Book Collection
- Promote inclusion, integration and global citizenship
- Organise fun *extracurricular* language-related activities & informative events for the benefit of ALL families

Get involved! **For more information, get in touch: jgpsmultilingual@gmail.com**



Library Volunteers

JGPS School Library Volunteers

jgpslibrarycoordinator@gmail.com



- P1 – P7 are eligible for the 'flu vaccination which is carried out by the Community Vaccination Team (CVT) in School.
 - Nasal Spray vaccine - NOT an injection.
- Children are 2 to 3 times more likely to catch 'flu than adults.
- If enough children in a community are vaccinated, protection for 'flu extends to those who are not vaccinated (Herd protection).
- Consent forms go home in school bags after the holidays. Please complete the form, sign and indicate "YES" or "NO" for vaccination and return to school as soon as possible.
- Please see website <https://www.nhsinform.scot/> for more information (section "CHILD FLU VACCINE")
- Thank you!



SKOOL IS OUT



"It's all about play"

Breakfast, after-school & holiday clubs

Services Offered:

- **Breakfast Club based on-site at JGPS, from 0745.**
- **After school care until 6pm, Monday to Friday based at Barclay Viewforth venue (5 mins walk from school)**
- **Holiday care open to all during February, Easter, October and summer school holidays**
- **In-service and emergency closure childcare open to all JGPS families**



Additional Information

- Collections from clubs based at JGPS
- Weekly P1 Music Club based on-site at Barclay
- Regular monthly outings on a Friday afternoon
- One-off and ad-hoc bookings welcomed (subject to availability)
- Visit our website for further information at:
info@skoolisout.com

