

P.2 Parents' Presentation

August 2021



Primary 2 Staff

Miss J. Martin (P2 teacher) Mrs. L. Burrows (P2 teacher) Miss J. Martin (General Classroom Assistant)



Child Protection:-

- Mrs P. Harbinson (Designated teacher for Child Protection)
- Mrs Alcorn (Deputy Child Protection teacher)
- Mr John Gray (Principal)

Classroom routines

- Names on all belongings.
- School bags are allowed this year. We provide all the writing and colouring materials your child will need so we suggest you keep any supplies at home for homework.
- No toys please!

Break and Lunch Times

- Break time – one item to eat only and water to drink (no nuts, seeds or yoghurts please)
- Lunch should be brought in a lunchbox that can be stored under their desk.
- Lunch will be eaten in the classroom. Children receiving free school meals will be provided with a lunch by the school.

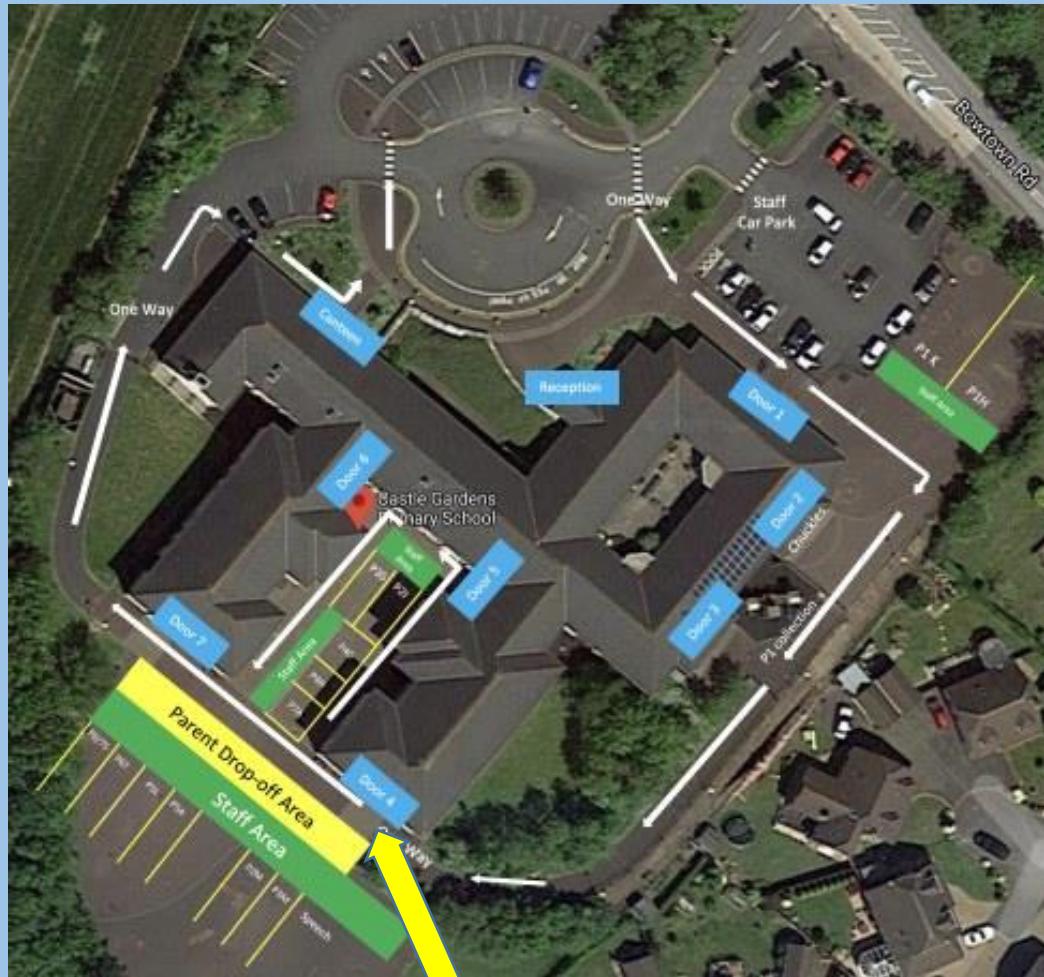
Morning Routine

Primary 2 will start back on Wednesday 25th August 2021

Doors will open at 8.30am and pupils will enter through their designated door in the playground. Their class teacher will be there to greet them on the first day, teacher's will remain in the playground until 8.45am

From 8.45am onwards, pupils will need to make their own way to their class through their designated door. Parents can drop children to the door but cannot enter the school building. From 9am the door will be locked and children must enter school through the front door of school.

Primary 2 Designated Doors



All P2 children will enter at
door 4 (right door)

Home Time

- All P2s will be collected at 12pm on the first week.
- Starting September, collection will be 1:45pm.
- Children to be collected from designated door (door 4 (right door, up the stairs)).
- Children will be released to parents at the door one at a time.
- The whole school is being released at staggered times. Therefore please try to be on time for collection.

Home learning

- Children will receive a home learning folder, which will contain an exercise book, a reading book and a word box. This book is to be used to complete all home learning activities.
- Two pieces of homework will be given at a time. These will be set on a Thursday and should be returned by Tuesday. This is to allow all families time to complete homework.
- Home learning activities will be used to reinforce what the children have been learning in school and it is extremely important that these activities are completed.
- Some home learning activities will be completed through Mathletics, a new app that is similar to Education City. The webpage, usernames and passwords will be stuck into the front of home learning books.

Literacy

- Reading – Children will be able to access reading books through Bug Club, banded reading books will be read in school and sent home. In school children will also experience guided and shared reading.
- High Frequency Words – In P2 we practice the first 100 high frequency words (these are the first set of words that children begin to read and write). We will be sending them home in small sets in a word box.
- Phonics – this is practiced every day in P2 and will be reinforced through home learning.
- Writing – In school children will write in a variety of ways both formally and informally. Some of their writing will be teacher directed and some will be independent. It is important for children to try to apply their knowledge of phonics to their writing.
- Talking and listening - Show and Tell, Circle Time, weekly news, role-play areas, drama, audio stories related to all curriculum areas.

It is important to note that all work will be differentiated to suit the needs and ability of your child.

Numeracy

In P2, pupils will learn...

- Number symbols to 20
- Number names to 10
- To count forwards to 30
- To count backwards from 20 or less
- Numbers before/after
- - 1 less than/1 more than within 20
- To count in 2s, 5s, 10s to 20,30
- Number stories to 10
- To add using the + = symbols
- To subtract using the - = symbols
- To add and subtract within 20
- Understanding number
- Counting and number recognition
- Understanding money
- Measures
- Shape and space
- Sorting
- Patterns and relationships
- Problem-solving and investigations

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World Around Us

Observe

Compare

Experiment

Predict

This includes living things, materials, environment, forces and energy. These are covered in a variety of ways – through structured play, educational visits, Literacy and Numeracy.

Topics

Term One

All About Me, Travel Around the World, Fairytales, Toys/Santa's Workshop.

Term Two

Dinosaurs, Space

Term Three

Pirates

Seasons and weather will also be covered throughout the year.

Other Curriculum Areas

Music – Loud/soft, high/low, slow/fast, listening, composing simple rhythm.

Drama – Role plays, puppets and small world play. Currently, we are unsure whether the Christmas nativity will be happening due to our current situation. However, similar to last year the children will perform in some way.

PE – Dance, team games, athletics, gymnastics. In P2, we do not require a P.E kit. Please send a pair of suitable plimsolls in a named P.E bag.

Art - Topic-based work using paint, oil pastels, chalk, charcoal, water colours, clay and junk models

ICT - Interactive board, computers, laptops, digital devices
e.g. Beebot, camera, iPads

Parent Communication

Brief conversations are permissible in the mornings at the designated areas. If longer is required you can make an appointment for after school hours.

Dojo will be our main form of communication this year. This will be updated regularly with information and therefore it is important to be connected. We have sent out email invites but if you have any issues with this please get in contact.

At this time we are unsure of how parent interviews will be set up. They will still definitely take place and we will keep you updated as to how and when these will happen.

Thank you for taking the time to read this.

We hope it has answered any questions you may have but please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any more worries or queries.

We understand that children have missed out on a lot of school so far. We want to assure you that we will meet each child at their current level and have been working with Miss Kerr and Mrs Harbinson to ensure that there are no gaps in their learning.

This is very strange time for all of us but we want to assure you that we will do everything to keep your child safe and happy in P2 ☺

We have posted a video on dojo that will show where to meet in the morning and a snippet of our classrooms.

Mrs L. Burrows and Miss J. Martin