

Key Information for New P1s starting Midmill School



Start Dates and Times

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| Tues 22 Aug | 8.50 am | Session 2022/23 Begins (8.50 am – 12.20 pm) |
| Thurs 24 Aug | 11.50 pm | P1 pupils and a parent invited in for school lunch. |
| Mon 28 Aug | 8.50 am | Full days start for all P1 pupils (8.50 am – 3.00 pm) |

Our Vision, Values and Aims



Building our community where everyone's effort is valued.

| We aim to: | |
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| RESPECT | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Build strong relationships based on trust and honesty.• Celebrate diversity and value everyone's contributions.• Appreciate and take responsibility for our environment and the wider world. |
| AMBITION | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide challenging and stimulating opportunities which support children to continually achieve.• Create an ethos where children are independent, motivated and active learners• Recognise individual talents and celebrate all success. |
| WORKING TOGETHER | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Work as a team to help and support each other.• Encourage everyone to "do their bit."• Work closely with our parents and local community to enable continuous improvement as we strive for excellence. |

Timings of the School Day

Start: 8.50 am

Break: 10.30-10.50 am

Lunch: 12.30-1.20 pm

End: 3.00 pm

School Uniform

Available from Ripples in Kintore. You can access their website [here](#).

White polo shirt and Navy Sweatshirt / cardigan

Grey, black or navy trousers, shorts or skirt / Summer Dress

Black shoes

We will give each child a book bag on their Step-Up Day on 22 June.

PE Kit and Outdoor Learning

Comfortable trousers/shorts/leggings and school t shirt and jumper

Outdoor Learning – dress for all weathers

Homework

Phonics and Letter formation

Numeracy and Number formation

Physical / Online

Reading (usually starts during Term 2)

Online resources – Teams

What should my child bring...

Stationery optional – provided in P1

Water Bottle

Snack (nut free)

Change of pants/clothes (to remain in school)

Homework

Leave toys at home

Waterproof coat for break/lunch and Outdoor Learning

Before and After Child Care

The Club@Midmill

You can find out more here:

Telephone: 07740 547020

Email: theclubmidmill@gmail.com

Website: <https://www.theclub.scot/>

Skills you can learn at home before you start P1

- Change shoes/coat
- Recognise belongings/name
- 'Toileting' and hand hygiene
- Increase independence
- Use zips, open snack boxes and packed lunches
- Able to use a knife and fork

Key Messages to Share with your Child

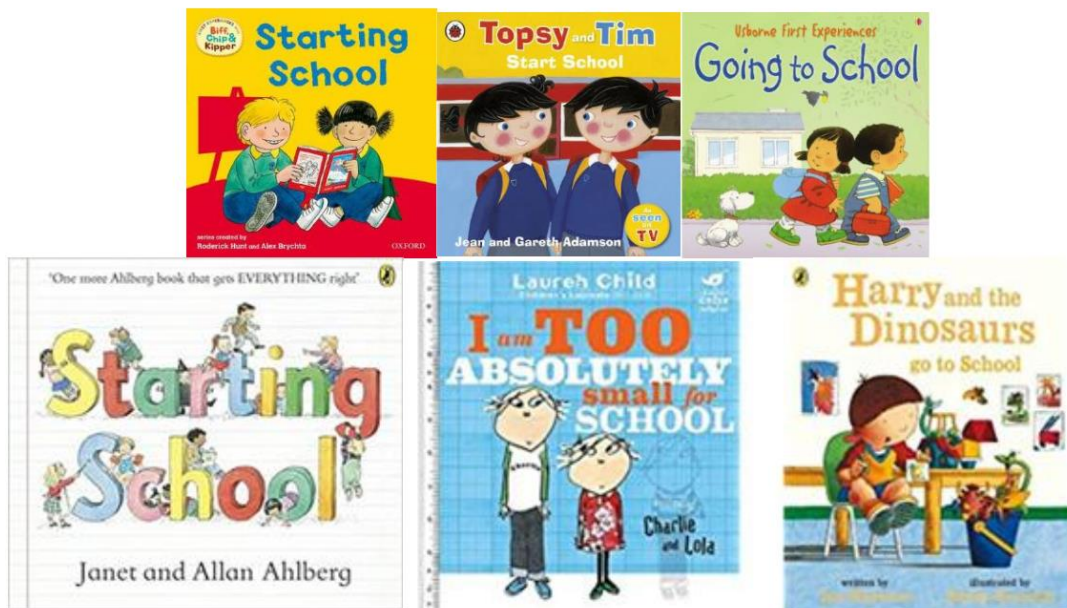
School will be fun! Children have lots of adventures at school and learn lots of new things.

There is lots of time for play in Primary 1.

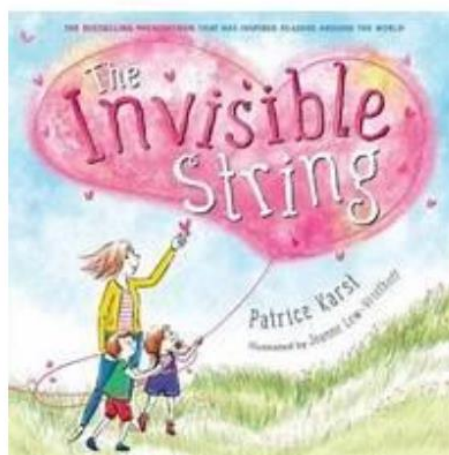
Adults are helpful and will keep you safe.

You can talk to adults about anything that is tricky.

Books about Starting P1



If your child is anxious about being away from you then you could consider purchasing The Invisible String book – this is a story about how we remain connected to our family even when we are apart.



We are really looking forward to welcoming your child to Primary 1 in August. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch – katie.finch@aberdeenshire.gov.uk.

Useful links:

[Developing Motor Skills - how to help your child with play and hand skills at around the 3 to 5 year level - Aberdeenshire Council](#)

[Starting primary school - BBC Bitesize](#)

[School-Handbook-2022-23.pdf \(midmill.aberdeenshire.sch.uk\)](#)

[What-adults-can-do-to-support-learning-with-added-pictures.pdf \(midmill.aberdeenshire.sch.uk\)](#)

[Preparing-for-transition-nursery-to-primary-edited-2022.pdf \(glowscotland.org.uk\)](#)