

Pilrig Park School



P7 Transition Welcome Pack

June 2022



8th June 2022

Dear Parent / Carer,

Transition days at Pilrig Park School

Now that we have completed the Welcome and Child Planning Meetings to plan the successful transition to Pilrig Park School in August 2022, I am pleased to invite your young person for a two day visit on Tuesday 14th and Wednesday 15th June. Your young person will be coming to us from 9:30am until 2.00pm on both transition days. Our normal school day starts at 8:30am and finishes at 3:15pm Monday to Thursday and 8.30am to 12.00pm on a Friday.

For the transition days your young person can wear what they feel comfortable in. Our school uniform is black trousers/skirt, white shirt/polo neck, black jumper with or without school logo and we would encourage pupils to wear this where possible. If you wish to purchase any uniform items with the school logo please contact the school office.

We ask that your young person comes to school with a packed lunch and snack for the two transition days. From August you will be able to choose from either school lunch or packed lunch for your young person.

On Wednesday 15th June from 1.00pm until 2.00pm we will be hosting a "Welcome Café" to which we extend a warm welcome to you. Members of our Parent Council will be in attendance and we include a welcome letter from them in this pack

If you require any further information please contact Ruth McLarty, Principal Teacher of Support for Learning, who will also be your young person's Year Head for their first two years at Pilrig Park School.

We look forward to welcoming you and your young person to Pilrig Park School next week

With every best wish,

Ms Ann M. O'Hagan and
Head Teacher

Ms Ruth McLarty
Principal Teacher

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Timetable for Transition days

Tuesday

1
9:30am

2
10am

break
 10:45am

3
11am

lunchtime
 11:45am

4
12:15pm

5
1pm

soft finish
 1:45pm

Wednesday

soft start
 9:30am

class activity
 10am

playground
 10:45am

Art
 11am

eat lunch
 11:45am

class activity
 12:15pm

gymhall
 1pm

home time
 2pm

Wednesday

1
9:30am

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break
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lunchtime
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finish
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Wednesday

soft start
 9:30am

class activity
 10am

playground
 10:45am

home economics
 11am

eat lunch
 11:45am

class activity
 12:15pm

cafe
 1pm

home time
 2pm

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My new school



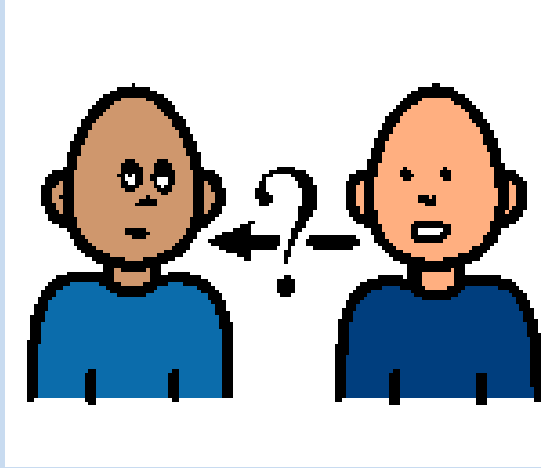
This is my new school. It is called Pilrig Park School.



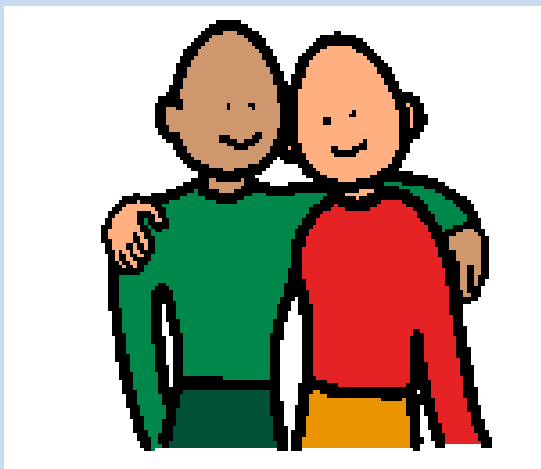
This is the front door where I go into my school.



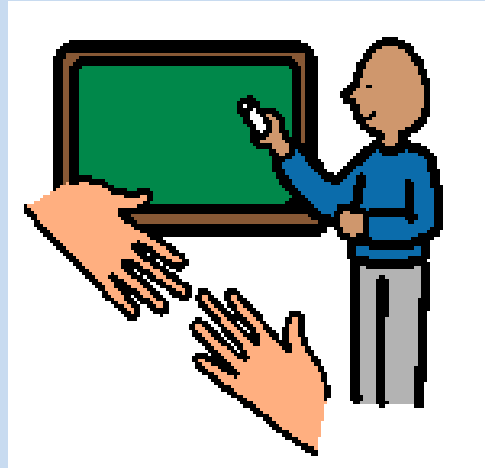
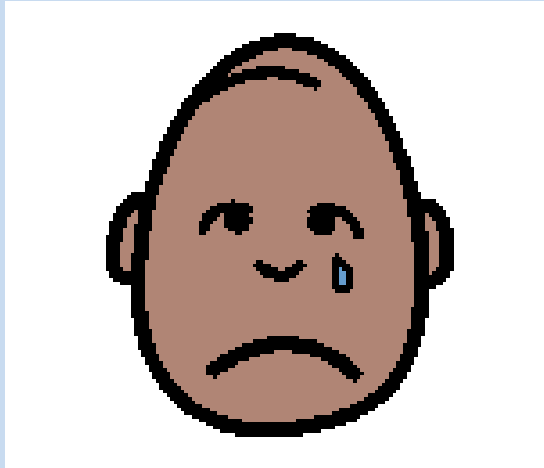
This is my Year Head whose name is Ms McLarty. My teacher and the other teachers at school will look after me while I am at school. I can ask my teacher to help me if I need help. My teachers care about me and like to know about me.



I can have a lot of fun at school and learn a lot of things. I might see some old friends there and make some new friends.



Sometimes I might miss my old school while I am at Pilrig Park School. Some pupils might even cry a little bit because they miss their old school but the teachers will help them to feel better.



I wear my uniform to school. I wear my jacket outside when it is cold or wet.



I have a school bag with my snack, a drink and maybe my lunch inside. My name is on everything.



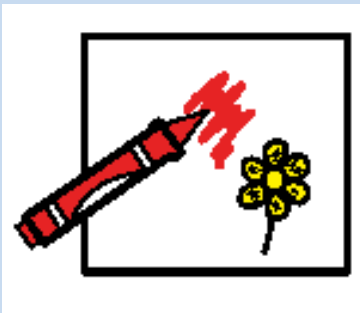
This is the Head Teacher whose name is Ms O'Hagan. The Head Teacher looks after all the pupils and the Staff at the school.



This is my classroom where I have fun and learn with the other pupils in my class. I like learning the names of all the other pupils and they learn my name as well.



I know how to do a lot of things at school because I have done them before. I draw, paint, paste, count, play, listen to stories and sing songs at school.



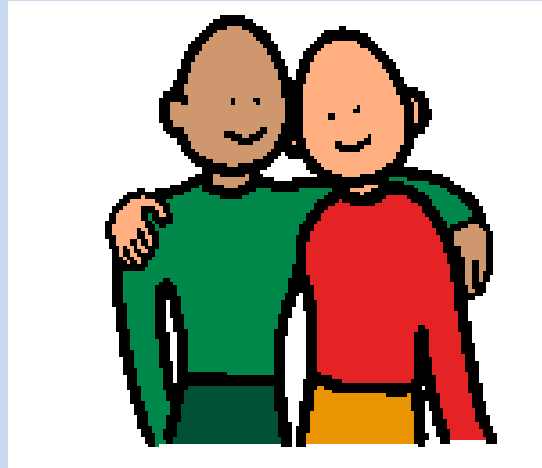
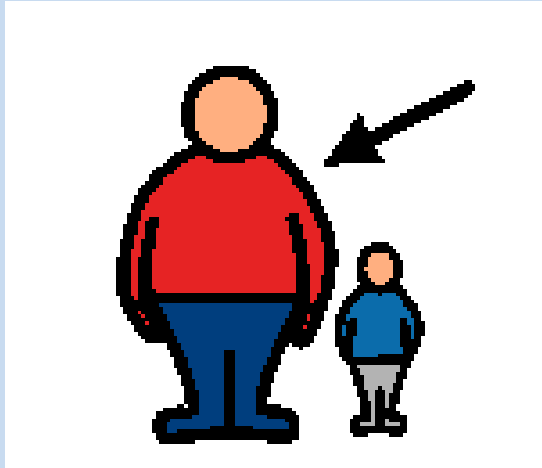
There are lots of different types of classrooms at my new school. Some of these are the PE hall and a Home Economics Kitchen.



This is the playground. It is fun to talk and laugh and play with my friends in the playground at playtime and lunch time.



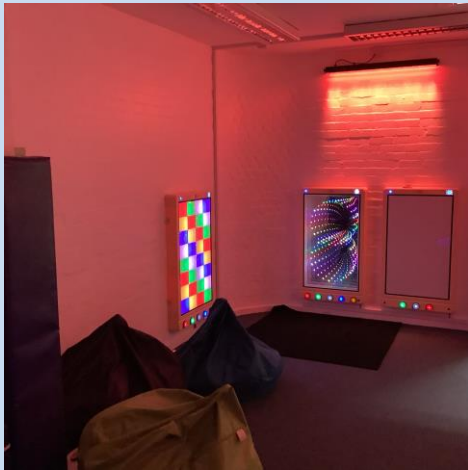
There are big kids at school. The pupils in S6 are the oldest and they look really big. Sometimes some of these older pupils can be your friend or buddy at school and help you and play with you.



This is the school office. This is Natalie who works in the office. Sometimes pupils take messages to the office.



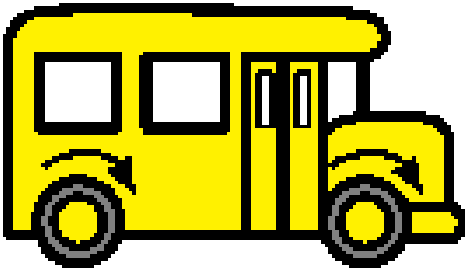
My school has a special room called a sensory room with lots of wonderful lights and soft items. This is a good place to relax.



There are toilets at my school. The teachers teach all of the new pupils about where the toilets are. I am glad about that because it is very important to know about the toilets. There are toilets for the boys and toilets for the girls. I always flush and wash my hands after I use the toilet.



At the end of the school day all pupils go to transport groups to wait for their bus home. Some pupils get picked up by parents or carers.



When I am going home I say goodbye and smile and wave to the teachers, PSA's and the other pupils.



PARENT COUNCIL PILRIG PARK SCHOOL

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MAY 2022

Dear parents and carers,

A warm welcome to Pilrig Park School from your Parent Council!
We wish your young person the best journey through secondary school.

Who are we?

Let us introduce ourselves:

- Chair – Catherine Foggo
Secretary – Euan Brown
Treasurer – Marilyn Schotanus
Members – Pixie Carr, Debbie Dalgleish, Sally Hyder, Heather King

Role of the Parent Council

- to work in partnership with the school to create a welcoming environment which is inclusive to all parents and carers
- to promote partnership with the parents, carers, pupils and school
- to develop and engage in activities which support the education and welfare of the pupils
- to promote equality and fairness
- to identify and represent the views of parents and carers on the education provided by the school and other matters affecting the education and welfare of the pupils

Parent Council Fundraising Events

Once a year we organise a big fundraiser in December, our fabulous Christmas Fair to raise much needed funds for our young people to enhance their learning experience at Pilrig Park School. We hope to organise new fundraising activities as soon as we are permitted.

A few examples of what the money was spent on

- the outdoor classroom
- sound system for the Drama department
- leavers hoodies and leavers party (annually)
- bicycles, scooters and helmets
- gardening equipment
- outdoor jackets

Friends of Pilrig Park School

FOPPS is the school's charity which solely exists to raise money for our young people to enhance their learning experience. It is also the avenue to raise donations with Easyfundraising. Currently, the funds raised are used to provide our young people with the exciting opportunity to attend piping and drumming lessons organised by The Scottish Schools Pipes and Drums Trust.

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Raise donations when you shop online with Easyfundraising

Please help us raise donations by visiting the Easyfundraising website or App before you visit the **website** you want to shop at. Easyfundraising is an incredibly easy way to raise a donation to the school. Over 6,000 retailers donate!

Please visit the link below to sign up; it only takes up 2 minutes of your time.

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Every penny is welcome and adds up. Substantial donations will be received if shopping for:

- holidays and hotels
- insurance
- electrical
- mobile and broadband

Matched Funding

In the past the Parent Council have gratefully received Matched Funding from parents and carers employers. It would help the fundraising effort enormously if you could enquire your employer regarding Matched Funding opportunities in your workplace.

Joining the Parent Council

We would love for you to think about joining the Parent Council; we meet a couple of times each term with the Head Teacher Ms O'Hagan and other members of the school leadership team including Principal Teacher Catriona Ferguson and other members of staff can join if agreed with the Parent representatives. The meetings are usually conducted on Teams and not compulsory, it would be great if you could join us when you have the time.

Please drop us an email pilrigpc@gmail.com if you would like to know more or would like to share something with us. Find us on Facebook: **Pilrig Park School Gate**

We hope to organise a face-to-face Meet & Greet in the near future and look forward to meeting you!

All the best,

Catherine, Euan, Marilyn, Pixie, Debbie, Sally and Heather