Strathesk Primary School Transition 2022/23



Welcome to Strathesk Primary School! We are really looking forward to meeting all of our new P1s. We are very excited about the new year ahead and hope you are too.

That said, we all recognise the impact transitions have on our children and understand moving from nursery to primary school is a big step for children and their families.

Please do not worry too much about this, our teachers are super at adapting and endeavouring to meet each of the children’s individual needs.



This year the transition theme throughout Midlothian focuses on a new friend, Mid Mouse. The children will be participating in lots of transitional activities and will also be gifted their own Mid Mouse as they move into P1.

Communication:

You can follow us through:

* <http://strathesk.mgfl.net/>

<https://twitter.com/StratheskPS>

If you do have any worries or concerns please do not hesitate to email Pauline Marr HT or Leigh Henderson DHT at [strathesk\_ps@midlothian.gov.uk](mailto:strathesk_ps@midlothian.gov.uk) and we will give you a call back.

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**Nursery to P1 Transition**

**Strathesk Primary – 2023/24**

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| When? | What? | Who? | Impact? |
|  | Virtual Tours on website |  | Families and children familiarise themselves with the P1 environment. |
| May | Schools receive Mid Mouse for each nursery. Individual mice to be handed out later in the term. | EYT |  |
| 17th May @1pm | Weekly transition sessions begin. Visits to P1 classroom. Stories shared and play activities planned around transition stories | EYP  P1 | Children to familiarise themselves with surroundings |
| Week beginning 16th May | Transition Information shared and  welcome letter sent to families | SLT |  |
|  | Q and A for families through Google Forms  Link on school website:  <http://strathesk.mgfl.net/about/> | School Staff | Opportunity for parents to ask questions.  Families will hopefully feel more reassured about the move into P1 |
| Wednesday 7th June 2-3pn | P1 Induction Meeting for parents and carers.  P1 children to visit new classroom and meet their teacher. | Parents  SLT  P1 Teachers  ELC Staff  Parent Partnership |  |
|  | New P1 teachers visit Strathesk ELC and private nurseries |  | Children become familiar with their new teacher.  Ease the transition process. |
| Thursday 15th June | Meet P6 buddies | ELC Staff  P6 teachers |  |
| Wednesday 21st June pm | Teddy Bears Picnic |  |  |
|  | Staff Transition meeting | ELC Staff  P1 Teachers | Information shared to support P1 learners using Early Level progression pathways |

Transition Stories:

The stories below will be introduced to your child at nursery. Please feel free to share these at home. Ideas of how to extend these will be available on the school website.

Elmer Transition Stories

[Time for Storytime: David McKee reads Elmer - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZFrD18XLmlM)

The Lion Inside by Rachel Bright

[The Lion Inside - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UDq3GCBkJQA)

The Worrysaurus by Rachel Bright <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GYV_o9Uj2jc>

There’s a Bear on my Chair by Ross Collins

[Ross Collins reads There's a Bear on My Chair for the Bookbug Picture Book Prize - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kDfQNcn5uGo)

We’re Going on a Bear Hunt by Michael Rosen

[🐻 We're Going On a Bear Hunt 🐻| BOOK | Kids' Poems and Stories With Michael Rosen - YouTube](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Iou5LV9dRP0)

Giraffes Can't Dance by Giles Andreae <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mHucnlMb0ss>

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