



Roseburn Primary School

Nursery to Primary 1 August 2020

'Moving In' Transition Overview 2020-2021

What is Transition?



Transition is what we call it when a child moves from one thing to another. There are lots of little transitions during the day – getting dressed, turning the television off, putting jackets on to go outside, all parents know that some transitions are easier than others! Other transitions are bigger, for example starting a new nursery or school. All children need help to prepare them for transitions.

Instead of our usual transition activities, we must do things differently this year. At Roseburn we have planned a six-week project around the theme Going on a Bear Hunt. Last month we launched the project with our families in Roseburn and across the city so all preschool children wherever they live can get involved.

Moving in to P1: Information for Parents and Carers

In Edinburgh, all Early Years settings and primary schools are working together on one big project using

[Michael Rosen's We're Going on a Bear Hunt.](#)



This means that no matter what nursery they are enrolled in, or what primary school they move into, all children will be familiar with the same story and will have shared experiences. Research shows that shared experiences are one of the ways that we can support children during times of transition. Your child would normally have started their transition into primary school this term.

Due to the current restrictions the activities that your child would have taken part in have altered. If your child is enrolled in a Local Authority nursery, they will already have links with the receiving primary schools. If your child is enrolled in a Partner Provider nursery or a Childminder, they may not be able to support the transition.



To make sure that no child misses out we have created a [website](#), where we share weekly ideas that you can use with your child to help them to feel positive about the move into school. This website is live as from 18/05/2020.

We will be working to spread the word and try to get as many people from across our communities involved as possible, grannies, neighbours, uncles and more!

The important thing to remember for all parents is that what you are already doing with your children at home is supporting their learning.

Research shows us that in the Early Years children learn best through real life experiences, like helping sort the washing, preparing meals and just talking. None of the activities suggested to engage children with the story are intended to be stressful or time consuming. We hope they are things that might already fit into your daily routine.

P1 Learning starts with play

We are also working with all primary schools across Edinburgh to ensure that all children, regardless of which school they go to, will have the best start to primary 1. Your child's P1 classroom might look a bit different, with lots of opportunities for play and fun. The most important thing at the start will be making sure that everyone feels welcomed and finds something they enjoy at school.

Teachers and staff in schools are very aware of what a difficult time this has been for families. Your child will be supported and encouraged back into community life, with lots of chances to build relationships, make friends and play to learn.

8.8 Key Features of positive transitions practice from ELC to school:

'Practitioners/teachers who recognise that for every child the transition experience is unique to them, and who provide environments that are ready for children, that meet children's needs and the needs of their families' induction programmes that value parents' knowledge of their child and the learning children bring with them to school.' To read more about 'Positive Transition from Early Learning Centres to School, please visit: <https://education.gov.scot/media/3bjpr3wa/realisingtheambition.pdf>



N- p1 Transition Overview

Session 2020-21

Date	Event	Activity
18 May 20	Launch #BearHuntEdin Week 1 We're Going on a Bear Hunt https://bearhuntedinburgh.wordpress.com/	<i>Your child is introduced to the #bearhuntedin please check in</i> <i>Getting ready for Starting School Home Learning Grid Shared</i>
25 May 20	Week 2 We're Going on a Bear Hunt Meet Mrs Borrowman Head Teacher at Roseburn https://youtu.be/GFB4mcuIBC0	<i>Please share photos of your bears and any bears you have seen on the #bearhuntedin</i>
1 June 20	Week 3 We're Going on a Bear Hunt Meet Mrs Simpson, Miss White and Mrs Martin the P1 teachers https://youtu.be/CHkyP_MKjyY Whole School Health Week Meet the buddies	<i>Letter sent out from Roseburn to the children inviting them to share their favourite teddy bears.</i> <i>The children are contacted by their p7 buddy</i>
8 June 20	Week 4 We're Going on a Bear Hunt School staff to share / collect transition information with school/ from Partner Provider Nurseries	<i>Starting Roseburn school for Parent or Carer guide</i>
15 June 20	Week 5 We're Going on a Bear Hunt Virtual classroom video to share with children and their Parent or Carer	<i>An opportunity for you and your child to virtually see their new P1 classroom and 'meet' their new teacher.</i> <i>A Guide to starting Roseburn school for children</i>
22 June 20	Week 6 We're Going on a Bear Hunt P1 video/ PowerPoint overview shared with Parent or Carer Virtual P1 Induction overview will be shared before the start of the new school session.	<i>Roseburn School Starter pack available for collection from the school playground.</i> <i>Write a message then tie your House Ribbon onto the School Gate</i>

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