



Education Resources
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Dear Boys and Girls, and Parents and Carers of our August 2024 Primary 1 Class,

It was lovely to speak to you all last week to confirm your enrolment for Primary 1 in August. We are delighted to welcome you all to Beckford Primary School. I would like to take this opportunity to set out proposed dates for key transition activities planned, which are designed to support your child in their transition from Early Years education into Primary School.

The dates are as follows:

Date	Time	Activity	Who is involved?
Thursday 9 th May	3.15 - 4.15 pm	Drop in open afternoon - school will be open for parents/carers (maximum of 2 adults per child) to have a walk around the school and the school outdoor areas with their child. No appointment required.	Pupils & Parent/Carers
Tuesday 21 st May	1.15 pm - 2.30 pm	Induction Afternoon 1 - pupils will participate in activities in the Primary 1 classroom with school staff.	Pupils
Tuesday 21 st May	1.30 pm - 2.30 pm	Transition into Primary Parents/Carers information talk - 'Welcome to Primary 1 at Beckford Primary' (maximum 2 parents/carers per child)	Parent(s)/Carer(s)
Wednesday 22 nd May	1.15 pm - 2.30pm	Induction Afternoon 2 - pupils will participate in activities in	Pupils only - parents to drop children off

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		The Primary 1 classroom with school staff.	at school hall for 1.15pm (parents can wait until children go round to P1 class)
Tuesday 4 th June	11.30 am - 12.15 pm	Invitation to come along to experience school dinners at Beckford Primary	Pupils and one family member

I would like to take this opportunity to invite you all to download our school app as I will use this to provide updates to our Primary 1 2024 families (guidance is provided at the end of this letter with regards downloading app). I will also upload information on to our school website www.beckford-pri.s-lanark.sch.uk. We also use Twitter to provide updates too on @beckfordps_slc.

I hope that you have found this information helpful. We look forward to welcoming you on the 9th May. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school. Further information and the school handbook can also be found on the school website (www.beckford-pri.s-lanark.sch.uk/).

Best wishes,

Lynsey Hogg

Mrs Hogg
Head Teacher

HINTS AND TIPS FOR GETTING YOUR CHILD READY FOR PRIMARY 1

- Help you child to be independent

At home please help by practising putting on jackets (including zipping jacket up or fastening buttons) and putting on and taking off shoes as your child will be required to do this independently.

If your child cannot tie his/her laces then a suitable alternative would be slip on shoes or shoes that have Velcro.

- Toileting

Your child will be going independently to the toilet and therefore will need to be able to button or zip trousers, shorts etc.

At home encourage your child to promote good hygiene by flushing the toilet and washing their hands.



- **Learning in School**

Your child will be required to use pencils and small scissors in school.

At home allow them to practise holding a pencil correctly to draw or 'write'.

It can be easier for a child to hold a pencil correctly if they use a triangular pencil.

Encourage your child to have a go at writing his/her first name, with a capital letter at the start. Encourage them to be familiar with colours, basic shapes and counting to 10.

- **School Uniform**

Uniform is smart, practical and an economic way of clothing your child for school. Uniform should consist of:

White shirt and tie (except gym days)
Grey/black trousers/shorts or skirts/pinafores
Burgundy/grey jumper, cardigan or sweatshirt
White or yellow polo shirt (gym days)

School Wear Made Easy (online) stock Beckford embroidered uniform

<https://www.schoolwearmadeeasy.com/badged-school-uniform/a-d/b>.

Or Blossoms School Wear at <https://blossomsschoolwear.com/>

Uniform does not need to be bought from this stockist, it can be purchased from other high street clothes shops or supermarkets also.

BECKFORD PRIMARY SCHOOL APP INSTRUCTIONS

- Search on google play (for android phones/tablets) or the apple store (for iphones/ipads) **School App for Parents (ConnectUs Scotland Ltd)**. It should look like this:



- Click Install
- Once installed, search for school - Beckford Primary School.
- Enter Username: BPS
- Enter Pin: 4143
- Information will be found (when sent) under messages and news