STARTING SCHOOL AT
St BOSWELLS PRIMARY

2020 – 2021

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Hello!

Welcome to St Boswells Primary School. We hope that you will be very happy here.

There will be lots of interesting things for you to do and learn.

This book will tell you about some of the things that will happen in our school.
Who will be at school?

There will be lots of other children for you to make friends with in your classroom. Some of them will be children that you will know from nursery and there will be new friends for you to meet too.

Mr Maunder is in charge of the school. He is our Head Teacher.

The school telephone number is: 01835823252

Mr Maunder’s email address is: Ross.Maunder@scotborders.gov.uk
There are lots of people to help you in school. Here are some of the people who will help you.

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The School Day

You will start school on Tuesday 11th August 2020.

School starts at 8:45am. It is important to come to school on time. When you arrive at school each morning, you should line up at the P1 entrance.

At the end of the day, Mrs Calvert will wait with you until your parent or carer collects you, to go home safely.
In your classroom

There will be tables and chairs in your classroom where you will sometimes do activities and learn.

There is also a special place on the floor where you and all the other children will sit with your teacher, to learn new things.

Your classroom is a fun place to learn. Your teachers will plan exciting learning activities for you to take part in each day.

In the cloakroom, you will have your own peg with your name on, for you to hang up your jacket and school bag.

Inside your classroom you will have a tray where you can keep your snack. There is a trolley for packed lunches to be stored, if you choose to bring in a packed lunch.
What will I wear to school?

We have a school uniform which we would like you to wear. There is a white polo shirt and a blue sweatshirt. They both have our school badge on them.

You can order school uniforms from Border Embroideries.

www.border-embroideries.co.uk  telephone: 01361 810 304

We would like you to wear black comfortable shoes or trainers to school each day.

We go outside to play every day and we are often outside for learning activities throughout the school week, so you will need to bring a jacket with you each day, even if you come to school in a car. Please remember to bring your hat, scarf and gloves on cold days.
What do I need to bring to school each day?

You will need to bring a school bag to school with you every day. You will also carry your Reading Bag to school with you each day. This is for carrying your home learning, reading books and letters.

You should also bring a water bottle to school with you each day. You are allowed to drink water throughout the school day when you are thirsty. Please only bring in water in your water bottle, no juice is allowed.

Every morning you go out to play in the playground. You should bring in a healthy snack with you each day. Examples of this are; baked crisps, yoghurt pouches, fruit, a packet of raisins or cheese and crackers.

Don’t forget….

Please ask someone to put your name on everything you bring to school, because we don’t want you to lose anything. Your teacher will help you to look after your belongings when you first start school and will teach you to be responsible for your own belongings.
Lunchtime

You can either bring in a packed lunch from home or you can order a school lunch from the school canteen.

You can make your lunch choices at home with an adult using a system on the computer or a mobile phone, called ParentPay. Your parents or carers will be given an account login and it helps if you order your lunch a week in advance. Some people prefer to order lunches termly.

Here is our school cook - Graham

After you have eaten your lunch, you go out to play in the playground.
**Who will help me in the playground**

The playground supervisors and our janitor will be outside at playtime and lunchtime to help you if you need it. You will make lots of friends here at St Boswells Primary, so there will always be someone to play with.

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**What if I can’t go to school?**

If you are not well, you might need to stay at home. The grown up who looks after you will need to phone the School Office by 9:30am to let us know that you are not coming.

When you come back to school, we will be very pleased to see you. Your parent or carer should contact the Office if you are not going home in the usual way. We like to know you are safe and we need to know if someone else is collecting you.
Do I have to be able to do special things before I come to school?

You could try practising these things at home which will help you at school:

- Looking after your books and games. Tidying up once you are finished with them.
- Putting on your own jacket and shoes.
- Using the toilet properly. Remembering to wash your hands with soap and water, then dry them well afterwards.
- Using a hankie to blow your nose.
- Having fun at home playing games like; Dominoes, Pairs, Snakes and Ladders, children’s Monopoly and cards to name a few.
- Having fun doing jigsaws and colouring in.
- Practise using a knife, fork and spoon correctly at the dinner table and clearing my plate and cutlery away afterwards.

Will I get to play with my friends?

Yes! There will be lots of times when you can play outside with your friends. You will also have time to play and learn together in the classroom.

Did you know that when you are playing, you are discovering new things about colours, shapes, numbers, reading, writing and much, much more.

In your classroom, there are lots of exciting activities including sand and water trays, discovery areas, building blocks, painting areas and learning areas that change throughout each term.

We also have lots of exciting learning games for you to play on the computer and on the Smart Board on the classroom wall.
Parents and Carers

Our job in the school is to build on the learning and existing knowledge that your child already has by being at home with you or that has taken place in their nursery. For this to be successful, we need to work together with you and your child.

If you have any concerns regarding your child. Please contact the School Office to arrange an appointment to speak to the teacher or a member of our Senior Leadership Team; Mr Maunder (Head Teacher), Mrs Foggin (Depute Head Teacher), or Miss Hardie (Principal Teacher). We are all here to support you and your child on their learning journey at St Boswells Primary School.

We hope that this booklet has been helpful for you and your child. We look forward to you joining us at St Boswell Primary School.

Term times, Holiday and Closure Dates

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Holiday dates can be found on the SBC website: www.scotborders.gov.uk