

# DARNLEY PRIMARY



Ben, Sam and Farah are coming to Darnley Primary School and Visual Impairment Unit



# What happens when I get to school?



The teacher is waiting to welcome Ben into school.

"Hello, Ben," she says. "We are going to have lots of fun today."

Your grown-up will bring you to the gate at the top of the hill.

"Goodbye, Dad," says Farah, as she walks into school through the sensory garden.



You will hang up your coat on your own special coat hook and put your lunch box and water bottle on the trolley.

Then you will go into your classroom and wash your hands.

You will sit on the carpet with the rest of the children. Your teacher will check who is in school today.



"I'm here," says Sam, when the teacher says his name.

Your teacher will also ask you what option you would like for your lunch.



When are you coming to school?

# What will I do at school?

There are lots of fun activities to do at school. You will learn and make friends as you play. Sometimes you will do activities with your teacher and sometimes you will choose what you do.

Sam is looking at a book with his teacher.



"There are lots of pictures in this book," he says.

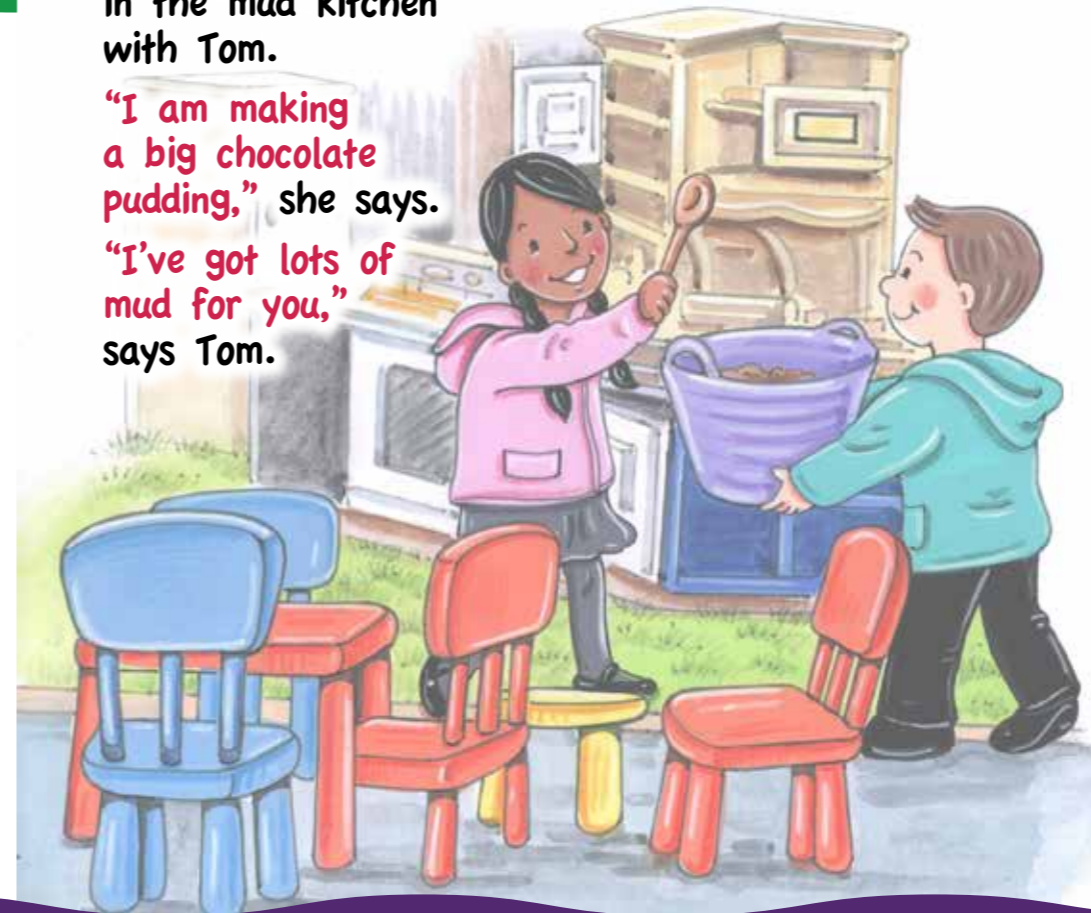
Ben is doing some number work on an iPad. The numbers are nice and large.



Farah is playing in the mud kitchen with Tom.

"I am making a big chocolate pudding," she says.

"I've got lots of mud for you," says Tom.

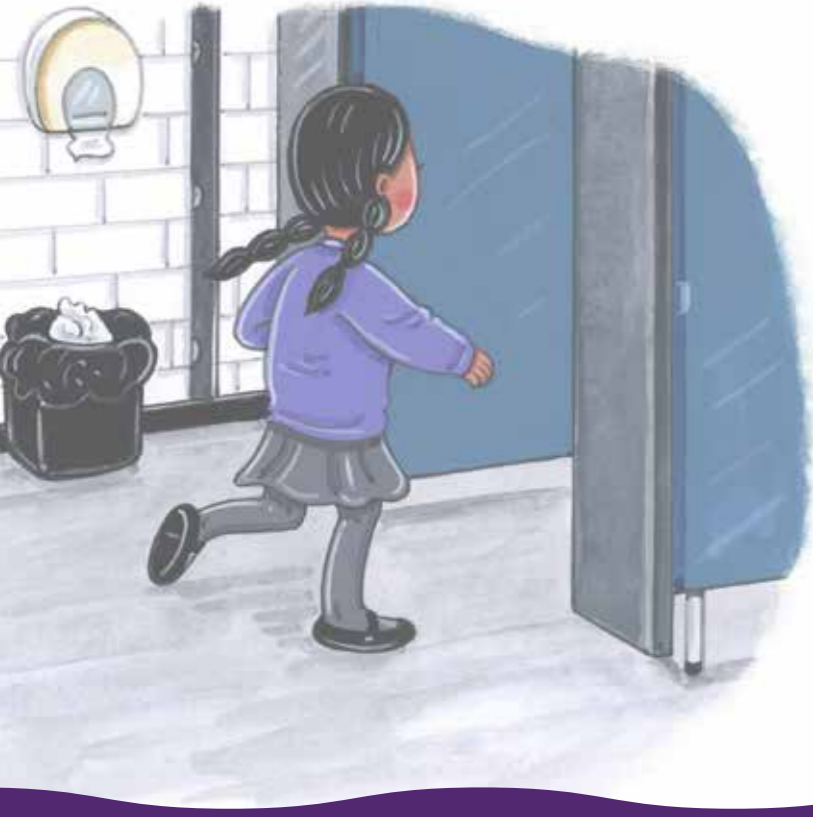


Sam is having fun riding on a trike.

"I love playing outside," he says.

What games do you like playing with your friends?

# What happens when I need to go to the toilet?



You can use the toilet whenever you need to, but remember to tell your teacher when you go.

You will go by yourself but if you have a visual impairment, your teacher will help you find the toilets until you know your way around.

"Everything is just the right size for me," says Farah. "It is so easy to use!"

She remembers to flush when she has finished and now she is washing her hands with warm water and soap.

"I am glad I practised using the toilet by myself," she says. "Now I don't need any help when I go."



Can you use the toilet by yourself?

# What if I am hungry or thirsty?



You can use your water bottle whenever you are thirsty.

In the morning, you can eat a healthy snack from home which your grown-ups will give you. You will have your snack at playtime.

Ben and Sam are having their snack outside.

Ben has eaten his banana already.

**“What are you having?”** he asks Sam. **“I’m having an apple,”** Sam says. **“Listen to how crunchy it is.”**

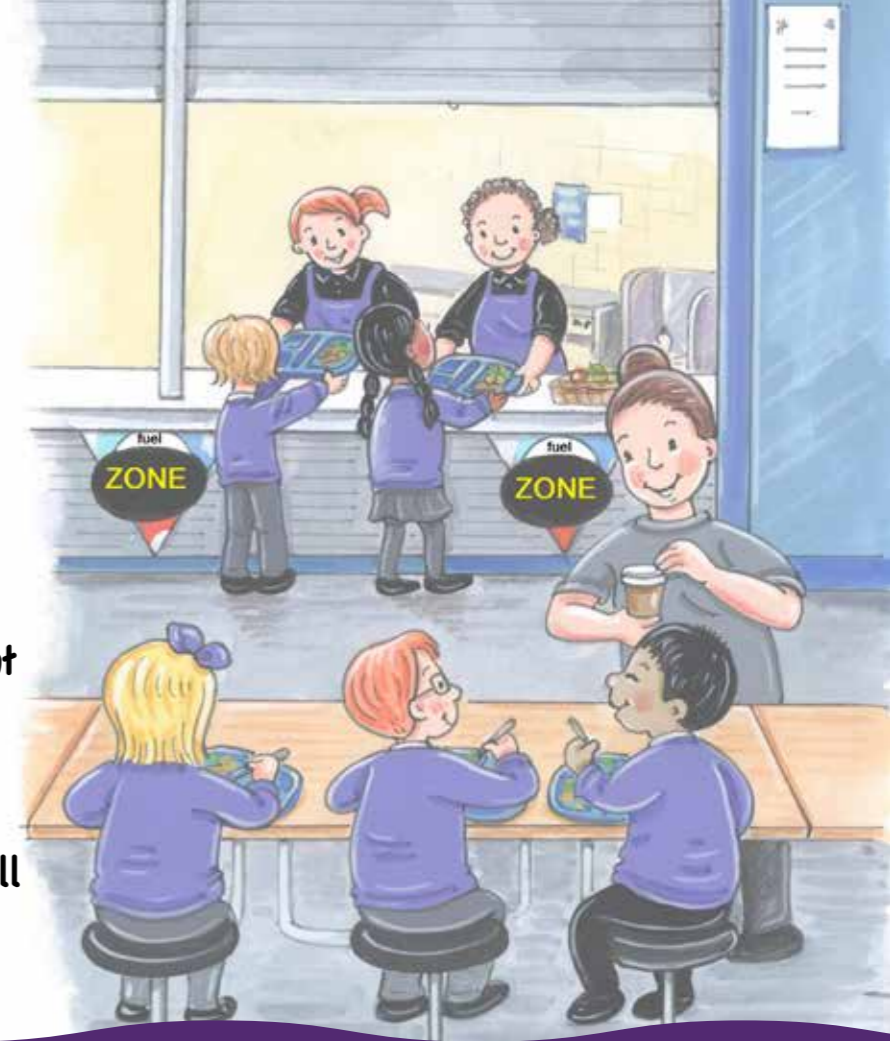
At lunchtime, your teacher will take you to the hall for your meal. There are lots of lovely, kind adults there who will take care of you.

You will collect your meal from the serving area and sit at a table to eat with your friends.

**“My lunch is brilliant,”** says Sam.

Ben has asked for help getting a drink, so a kind adult has brought him one.

Everyone clears up after themselves when they have finished their meal. The adults will show you where everything goes.



What is your favourite meal?

# What happens at the end of the school day?

At the end of the day, just before home time, you will sit on the carpet with your friends. Sometimes your teacher will read you a story or you may chat about what you have learnt that day. Today, everyone is singing a song and shaking maracas.

**"I love singing this song,"** says Ben.



When it is time to go home, you will collect your coat and belongings. Then you will line up and your teacher will take you outside. Your grown-up will be waiting for you at the other end of the sensory garden.

Ben's mum has come to collect him.

**"I had so much fun today,"** he says. **"You can tell me all about it on the way home,"** his mum says. Because books and learning to read are so important, your grown-ups will read with you every day.



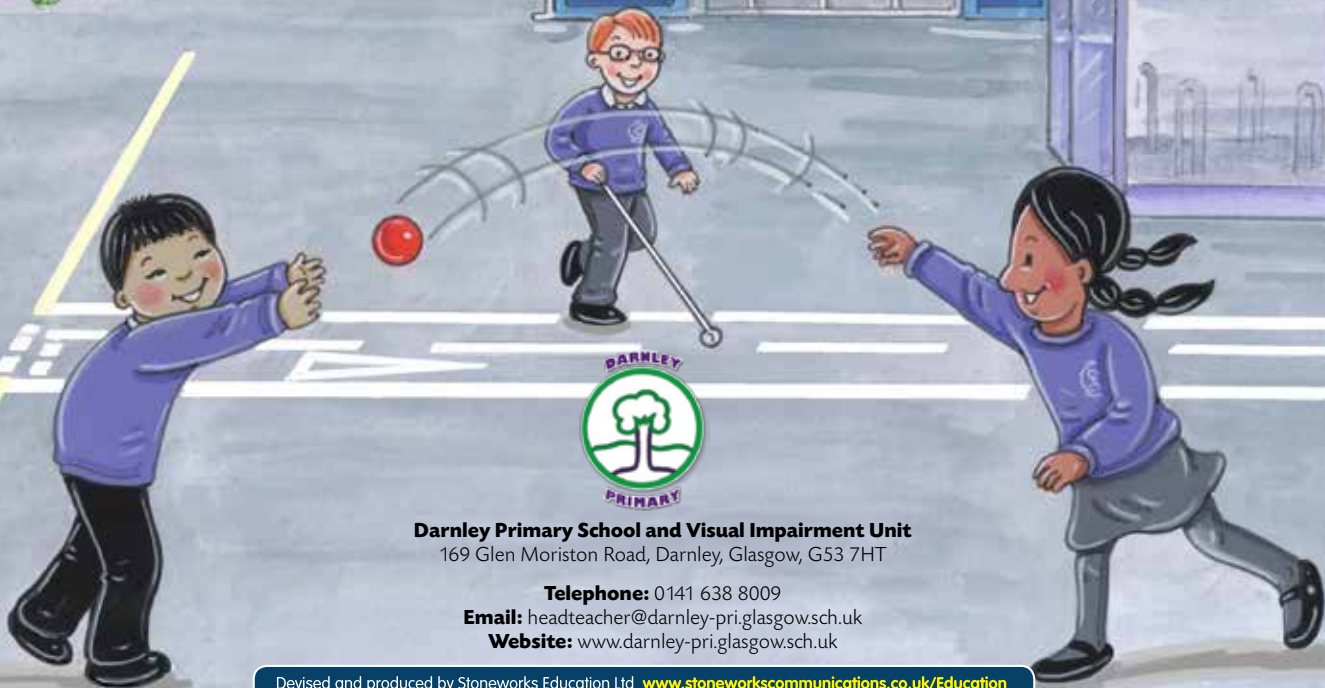
Sam loves to read a book at bedtime with his mum.

**"Can you talk about what is happening on this page?"** his mum asks.

**"The monkey is hiding in the tree,"** Sam says.

Do you like reading at bedtime?

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