

Getting Ready for School

Useful tips for families

Social skills.

Encourage sharing of toys, turn taking and following instructions. Discuss some social situations and different ways that they could react.

"Children are readers in the laps of their parents."

Emilie Buchwald

Share plenty of books together. Reading promotes speaking and listening skills, concentration and vocabulary.

Independent skills.

Practise using knives and forks and undoing packaging.

Encourage your child to use the toilet independently. If you have any concerns please come and talk to us.

Encourage your child to dress and undress by themselves and put on their own coat.

Fine Motor Skills.

Develop the muscles in little hands by encouraging your child to make small movements with their fingers.

Threading pasta, mark making, clipping pegs, using lego and pinching tweezers are all brilliant!

Name recognition.

This will support your child's independent skills.

Segmenting and blending (sounding out the letters in short words) will help your child to hear each sound.

Eg c-a-t = cat.