

Is your child Ready for School?



How will I know if my child is ready to start school? It's important to look at your child's readiness in all areas of development.

<h2>Independence</h2>	<h2>Social Skills</h2>
<p>Is your child:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • attempting to dress themselves? • verbalising their needs? • toileting themselves? • following a routine? • being responsible for their own belongings? 	<p>Is your child:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • socialising with other children? • sharing and taking turns? • playing group games? • using basic problem solving strategies?
<h2>Resilience</h2>	<h2>Language Development</h2>
<p>Is your child:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • expressing their thoughts and needs? • working through conflicts with friends? • using strategies to deal with emotional situations? • solving problems themselves? 	<p>Is your child:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • having conversations with children and adults? • understood by other children and adults when talking? • asking questions? • playing with words, singing songs and rhymes? • recognising signs and logos in the community? • comprehending sentences and instructions?
<h2>Reading</h2>	<h2>Writing</h2>
<p>Is your child:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • showing an interest in reading? • attempting to recognise their own name? • asking to be read to? • listening, comprehending and retelling what is happening in stories and pictures? 	<p>Is your child:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • showing an interest in making marks on paper? • attempting to hold a pencil correctly? • showing an interest in letters and how to write them?
<h2>Co-ordination</h2>	<h2>Mathematical Awareness</h2>
<p>Is your child:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • showing an interest in threading, building with blocks, cutting, doing puzzles, drawing and using play dough? • able to walk and use stairs without tripping? • engaging in physical activities such as climbing, skipping, jumping, running, throwing and catching a ball? 	<p>Is your child:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • showing an interest in playing with numbers, counting, sorting, labelling and naming shapes? • indentifying colours? • using concepts such as above, below, inside, outside, in, out, on, up and down?