
What School Readiness means to Pips

For us it is about supporting children to develop their skills, curiosity and independence, as well as getting them used to the idea of handling change with confidence.


We believe that 'school ready' means that the children are ready to make a smooth transition to the next and exciting phase of their education. That they stay happy and confident in their learning when they move from us.






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Steps to starting school


 I am happy to be away from my parents or main carer


 I know when to wash my hands and can wipe my nose
I can go to toilet, wipe myself properly and flush unaided


 I like interacting with other children
I enjoy learning about and exploring new things
 I like to read stories and look at picture books


 I have a good bedtime routine so I'm not tired for school

I can share toys and take turns
 I am able to listen for a short while
I am happy to tidy up after myself and can look after my things

 I can follow instructions and understand the need to follow rules

 I am able to ask for help if I don't feel well

 I can use a knife and fork and open my lunch box

 I can button and unbutton my shirt, use a zip and put on my own shoes and socks

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School Readiness

'A guide to help make the transition to school easier for you and your child'



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Your child is ready for school when.....

He/ she can:

- Remove, hang up and recognize their own coat
- Open their lunch box, peel the fruit, open their yoghurt and packets
- Tidy up
- Share
- Use the toilet without adult support
- Follow basic instructions
- Take turns
- Listen attentively for short periods of time
- Identify when they need help and how to ask for it
- Communicate independently
- Play with toys/games and return it to where it belongs.

How can parents help prepare their child for school?

1) Encourage and support your child's self confidence

- To play
- To be sociable
- To ask for help
- To communicate without baby talk

2) Encourage Learning

- Read stories and discuss them
- Play, draw, scribble
- Nursery rhymes

3) Preparation

- Make sure your child recognizes their coat, lunchbox and bag
- Arrive and collect your child on time
- Show your child their school
- Talk to your child about attending school
- Have a positive attitude towards learning and school



The Lunch Box

Ideal items for a healthy lunch box

- Water, milk or 100% pure juice
- Sandwich with healthy fillings
- Small piece of fruit or veg chopped or peeled if necessary
- Cheese pieces



What to avoid in the school lunchbox

- Fizzy drinks
- Sweets, chocolate bars and biscuits
- Crisps
- Glass bottles