

SCHOOL READINESS

What do I need to do?

- You will need to visit and enrol your child at the school about 6 months before they are due to start. On this visit ask about school visits, home packs, and any other information you would like to know.
- You will need your child's Birth Certificate and immunisation record.
- You will be required to fill in an Early Childhood Education Attendance Record.
- Take your child's Early Childhood Portfolio to share with their teacher.
- You need to teach your child about using their lunch box (food for morning tea, lunch and maybe after school if they have to wait for a bus).
- You need to label your child's belongings and make sure your child recognises their name to identify these.
- You need to support your child's independence with shoes they can take off and on themselves, blowing their own nose, going to the toilet and washing their hands, recognising when they are thirsty and getting themselves a drink of water, and encouraging them to ask for things they need from the teacher.



Ideas to help your child's learning ability

- Encourage your child to sit on a chair for short periods of time (maybe while doing an activity or eating)
- Is your child confident to be parted from you?
- Play games that practise taking turns and waiting.
- Teach your child their address and phone number.
- Read a variety of stories every day and talk about books (Title, author, back and front, turning pages one at a time)
- Talk about colours, letter sounds, alphabet, shapes and numbers.
- Provide scissors, paper, pencils, pens for your child to practise cutting, drawing and writing.
- Be positive about your child's learning.

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