

School Readiness



At little 1 Nursery we hope to help encourage motivated and independent learners who seek challenges and high self esteem to face the school environment. We aim to all work together to provide a consistent approach.

School Placements

In April on time applicants will be notified of the outcome of their school application, either via email if you applied online or by post if you applied on a paper application. We will set up a private Facebook group for parents to speak to each other through.

Transition To School Activities

Around April time we will begin transition to school activities. These activities and skills are what we put in place to continue to support your child in becoming confident and independent.

Such as;

Carrying a tray
Dressing & Undressing
Scissor skills

For more information about transition go to school visit our Parents Page
<https://www.little1nursery.co.uk/parents-information>

School Teacher visits

School teachers may visit the children in pre school and some may come to visit you at your home (this varies by school)

Key Worker & Parent Meetings

Once you have secured your child's school placement. You will be invited in for a meeting with your child's key person to discuss their development & to answer any questions you may have.

Getting Ready To Read

We will support your child's curiosity of reading by;

- Encouraging listening and remembering skills.
- Singing songs and rhymes to build phonemic awareness.
- Offering a variety of books.
- Talking about the sounds in stories for example "weeeeeee"

School visits

You may be invited by your school for stay and play sessions. This is a great way for your child to see the school and meet the teachers.

How you can help your child to develop essential skills in preparation for going to school



Activities at home

- Establish and maintain a clear and consistent daily routine for you and your child.
- Encourage self help skills (getting dressed, using a knife & fork, brushing teeth and using the bathroom).
- Singing songs.
- Reading stories.
- Acting out stories using props.
- Talking to your child and giving them the opportunity to talk about how they feel about going to school.
- Allow downtime and time for your child to relax, rest and play.

Reading with your child

Reading with your child is a fantastic way to support them in building language skills as it introduces them to new words and ways of using language. It also helps them learn general information about the world.

Visiting the local library and choosing new books to read encourages children to develop a love of books.

Things you can do before school starts

- Learn a new song or nursery rhyme each week.
- Read books and stories together
- Draw pictures of what you enjoy doing.
- Go on nature walks & visit your local park.
- Arrange play dates with new & old friends

Useful Websites

Local Library Services

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/librariesandarchives/library/kids-zone>

For help with routines

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/tips-and-advice/reading-tips/>

Nursery Rhymes & Songs

<https://wordsforlife.org.uk/themes/songs-and-rhymes/>

Healthy lifestyles

<https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/>

Toilet Training Information

<https://eric.org.uk/>