

Learning At Home



Talk with your child.

Play with your child.

Share books with your child.

Share craft activities together.

Encourage children to dress themselves.

Volunteer at the school in the classrooms or as part of the PTFA.



Ten top things to enjoy before your child starts school

Colour in a smiley face each time you enjoy an activity

Learn a new song or nursery rhyme each week



Enjoy sharing a book together every day



Visit the local library and choose books to take home



Play together —where does your imagination take you?



Go on a nature walk—what can you see, hear, touch and smell?



Visit the local park together—What will you discover?



Enjoy play dates with friends and family



Collect natural objects in a bag or jar and make time to practice sorting them in different ways or counting them up to 5



Enjoy a sunny picnic with friends or family — prepare the food together



Draw or make pictures of things you have enjoyed together



What else could you enjoy together?

Ready Steady School!



Advice to help you build your child's confidence so that they start school with enthusiasm, curiosity and are ready to learn.

A ready child



- Excited, enthusiastic, curious and confident about playing and learning
- Happy to talk about the things I like and am interested in
- Active every day
- Able to concentrate on something that fascinates me and maintain my focus for a short period of time
- Able to communicate my thoughts and ideas
- Willing to have a go and try new and challenging things
- Interested in a range of activities
- Able to make simple choices
- Prepared to engage in new experiences
- Ready to share with others and take turns
- Able to ask for help
- Able to separate from my familiar adult
- Able to get dressed on my own (or with minimal help)



A ready family

- Spend time playing with your child. Encourage them to be active and explore. Share the excitement of discovering new things together .
- Encourage your child to communicate their needs, feelings and emotions.
- Take time to talk with your child about the things that interest them.
- Encourage self help skills (getting dressed, using a knife, fork and spoon, going to the toilet, brushing teeth etc).
- Have fun being together and celebrating new achievements.
- Encourage your child to socialise and play with others.
- Allow time for your child to relax, rest and plan (reduce screen time)
- Establish and maintain a clear and consistent daily routine including meal times and bed times.
- Talk about how we get better at things through effort and practice. Encourage the importance of trying even when things may go wrong—be resilient!
- Give you child opportunities to take the lead, be independent and make their own choices.



A ready school



- Will welcome your child with a smile every day!
- Develop open and trusting relationships with families, sharing ideas about how to support children's development and learning.
- Provide a high quality play-based learning environment which is safe, secure and inclusive where all children can thrive.
- Find opportunities to meet with families and celebrate and share success and achievements.
- Develop links with other agencies to ensure appropriate support for children and families when necessary.
- Demonstrate high expectations for each child by providing challenge, promoting resilience and raising aspirations .
- Enthuse, engage and motivate children to give them the confidence to learn new things and enjoy new experiences.
- Support and encourage children to make new friends and develop social skills.
- Inspire a sense of 'awe and wonder' utilising the expertise of our staff, extensive school grounds and our local community.