



Getting Ready for 'Big' School

To aid your child's preparation for life in school and preparation for independence it would be helpful if they could do these things for themselves before they start school.

- 1 Go to the toilet by him/herself
- 2 Use a tissue/handkerchief
- 3 Be able to use a knife and fork
- 4 Do up own buttons and zips. Dress and undress themselves
- 5 Change shoes, Wellingtons, plimsolls
- 6 Hang up coat and hat
- 7 Recognise own name on clothing
- 8 Know, and be able to say clearly, name and address
- 9 Able to respond to questions asked
- 10 Sit quietly for a time
- 11 Can sit on their bottom (cross-legged)
- 12 Recognise and name primary colours
- 13 Listen to a story for a sustained period of time
- 14 Know numbers 1-10
- 15 Write his/her own name
- 16 Be familiar with a book
- 17 Have experienced the noise larger groups of children make playing