

RECEPTION HOME LEARNING

A huge welcome to our new parents and children! This is your "starting school Home learning" sheet. Try and keep it safe at home and practise the activities. These activities are a really good place to start when preparing your child for school and can help them settle into a positive school environment. We have given you a tick list with a range of activities that you could practise at home before your child starts school. It is up to you when and how you do these activities.

Websites to support parents:

<https://www.pacey.org.uk/working-in-childcare/spotlight-on/being-school-ready/#parents>

<https://new.phonicsplay.co.uk/resources/phase/1>

<https://www.theschoolrun.com/how-to-prepare-your-child-for-primary-school>

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/for-home/school-year/school-year-guides/what-to-expect-in-reception/>

Activity tick list

- Play a board game with your friends and family, playing board games will help you learn to share and count.
- To help your child's fine motor skills (hand strength) do lots of activities involving playdough, cutting with child safe scissors and threading activities.
- Practise holding a pencil correctly (tripod grip) and learn to write your name by yourself using lower case letters not capital letters.
- Log onto You Tube (parental supervision required) and look for "Live Read Write inc speed sounds set 1"- this is the phonic scheme we use at Kenley and it would help your child to become familiar with some of the sounds for when your child starts school.
- Practise reading and writing numbers to **5** and then **10**.
- Practise reading and writing high frequency words these are words we use in many aspects of of our lives and it is good for children to become very familiar with them: **mum, dad, cat, dog, I, My, like, can, big, see, me, we, she, he, and, the, love, to, in, up, on, get, it, you.**
- Read to your child every day, encourage them to join in with the story and repeat parts of the story using the pictures to help them.
- Help your child become independent getting dressed and undressed- make a game of getting your child to put on their school uniform and changing into their PE kit and back.
- Help your child put on and zip up their coats.
- Talk about how important it is to wash and dry their hands properly, discuss what germs are and how to get rid of them.
- Teach your child how to use cutlery properly and cut up their own food.
- Do jigsaws or colouring with your child to help them to be able to listen and sit still for a short amount of time.
- Talk to your child about starting school and that they will be going every day. If your child has a positive outlook on their new surroundings it will help them settle quickly.