



Milverton Community Primary School

Starting School

Welcome to Milverton Community Primary School. We hope that your child will be happy and settled here. This booklet gives you information about how you can prepare your child for school and information that will help you and your child as they start school.

Preparing for school:

Here are some things that you can do with your child that will help prepare them for school

- Encourage them to get dressed and undressed; fasten buttons, zips, buckles and laces.
- Help them to use the toilet independently, remembering to flush and wash their hands afterwards.
- Encourage them to tidy up and clear away.
- Encourage them to take turns and share toys.
- Share stories and rhymes and encourage them to listen carefully and talk about the stories.
- Encourage children to mark make using pencils, crayons, felt tips, chalk, water, rollers, sponges, paints - even sweeping the floor is great for gross motor development!
- Help them to recognise their own name and if they are interested write it in lower case letters with an upper case letter at the beginning.
- Count together and play number games like snap, dominoes and snakes and ladders.

Some things to have ready:

Here are the things that your child will need when they start school



- Uniform - everything clearly labelled with your child's name, please.
- Shoes with an easy fastening, velcro is best.
- A coat that is suitable for all weather and which can be easily fastened.
- Waterproofs and wellies for daily outdoor learning (the children can leave these in school).
- A school book bag, labelled and maybe personalised with a key ring.
- PE kit, labelled in a PE bag, personalised with some ribbon.
- Some spare pants and socks in their PE bag in case of accident.
- Once staying for lunch, if having a packed lunch, they need a labelled lunchbox and drinks bottle.

