SCHOOL READINESS

KINDERGARTEN

How will you know your child is ready to join?

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MUST HAVE'S:

- **Independent toileting** – no nappies, being able to identify when they need the toilet and take themselves without being reminded
- **Listening to stories**
- **Singing a selection of nursery rhymes** - (to get the feel for rhyme/counting)
- **Feeding themselves** – either finger food or using a knife and fork
- **Talking in sentences** – To develop vocabulary and grammar
- **Recognising own belongings** – water bottle, lunchbox, coat etc
- **Accepting adult guidance** - able to move from activities when asked to with support from an adult
- **Understanding the word 'no' and understand behaviour expectations**
- **Opening and enjoying a book independently** – either retelling or looking at pictures

WOULD BE NICE TO HAVE'S:

- **Independent hand washing/ nose blowing**– knowing how to wash their hands independently and use a tissue
- **Putting jumper on/ taking off**
- **Distinguishing between different sounds** (cows, aeroplanes, lion etc.)
- **Correct scissor grip**
- **1:1 correspondence when counting** – (one object for one number)
- **Oral counting to 10**
- **Sequencing events (2 or 3)**
- **Asking an adult for help when needed**
- **Putting shoes on independently**
- **Recognising numerals 1-5**