Getting Ready for School

Over the summer
- Find a bedtime book about starting school to read to your child. (Visit Oxford Owl for our recommendations)
- Go on a shape hunt to start developing early maths skills
- Check that your child can recognise their name when it’s written down
- Make sure your child can go to the loo and wash their hands independently
- Establish a school-friendly bedtime routine
- Encourage socialising with other children at the park or with friends

The day before, get everything ready
- School clothes laid out
- Shoes and coat ready by the door
- School bag packed
- Talk about the exciting day ahead

The BIG day...
- Take a photo – it is their first day, after all
- Make a packed lunch if your child isn’t having school dinners
- Check what time your child needs to be collected
- Compare notes with other parents – you’ve made it!

For more advice and support on starting school, visit: www.oxfordowl.co.uk/starting-school

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