

Preparing to start school at St Margaret Mary's

Here are some things you can practise at home as your child is getting ready to start nursery.

Developing my Social Skills

- I can share and take turns.
- I can play alongside other children and sometimes join in their play and activities.
- I can help to tidy up the toys I have been playing with.

Reading and writing

- I enjoy sharing a story with an adult
- I enjoy singing nursery rhymes, such as Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star.
- I enjoy mark making.

Self-Care and Independence

- I can wash and dry my hands.
- I am toilet trained and can manage my own personal care in the toilet independently.
- I can use a spoon, knife and fork to feed myself at lunchtime.
- I can drink from a cup.
- I can find my own items, for example, my coat.
- I can attempt to put on my own coat, although sometimes I may need help.
- I am happy to be away from my parent or carer. I know they will be back soon.
- I can follow a daily routine.

Speaking and Listening

- I can tell an adult when I need help and support.
- I can follow a simple instruction, such as, find your coat.

Number

- I like singing number rhymes and songs
- I can begin to count a small number of items.
- I can begin to use some basic mathematical language linked to size and shape, e.g. big, small, round.



Useful links for the BBC Tiny happy People website. Here you can find advice and support for parents and useful information about the development of your child.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/tiny-happy-people

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