

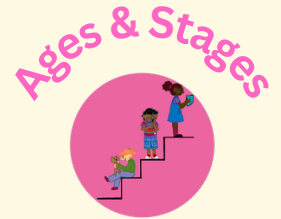
GETTING READY TO LEARN



Starting primary school is the next step for your child but there are lots of books that can help parents/carers talk with children about starting primary school.

Have a look for some of these books in the library or bookshop.

You might also find some in a second-hand shop or online.



Books to help with talking about starting primary school

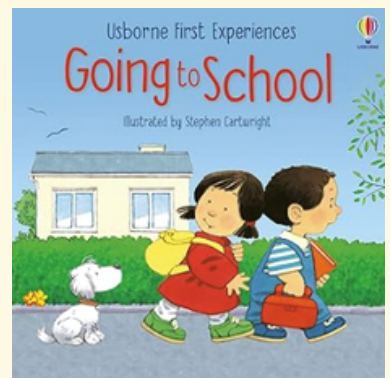
Let's Get Ready for School by Jane Porter

This is a lovely book that talks about travelling to primary school, what the classroom will be like, eating food and meeting new people.



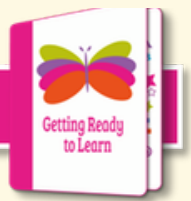
Going to School by Anne Civardi

This book provides pictures and information to talk together about what to expect in a new school.



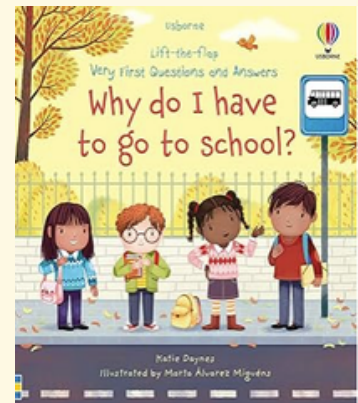
All phones away
Let's talk and play.
We'll pick a book
And have a look.





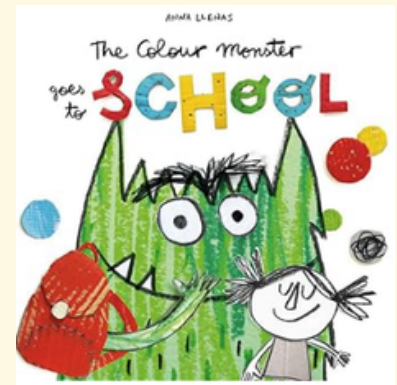
Why do I have to go to School? by Katie Daynes

Look at the pictures and lift the flaps to explore the journey, classroom, activities and people in school.



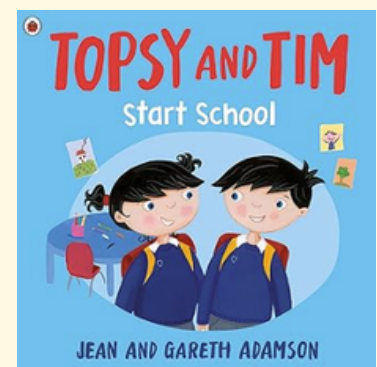
The Colour Monster Goes to School by Anna Llenas

This book talks about school nerves, exploring some of the things it could be and helping to name some of the feelings and emotions.



Topsy and Tim Start School by Jean & Gareth Adamson

This book explains what a day will be like and the journey to school. It also provides lots of lovely illustrations and things to talk and think about.





VISIT if you can

If you and your child are invited to the school, go and see what it is like, and meet the staff.

Point out the new setting whenever you pass it and be enthusiastic about starting.

Look at photos & pictures

Look at the school website. Can you show photos of the staff and the classroom and play area?

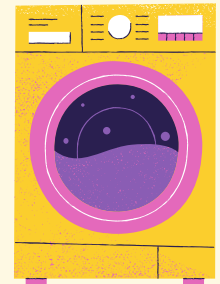
Be positive

Look at books together.

Point out that there are new friends to make and fun to be had.



Wash the uniform before the first day so it smells familiar like home.



Encourage independence

Help your child learn to eat, dress/undress themselves and use the toilet independently.

More ideas & resources to support the move to primary school are available on the EA Early Years LITs webpage:

<https://send.eani.org.uk/support-services/sen-local-impact-teams/sen-categories/sen-early-years/useful-resources-and-links>



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