

Getting ready for starting at Ysgol Meifod

It's nearly time to start school! Here are some things you can practice at home to help you get ready for school.

Looking after myself...

- ✓ I can wash and dry my hands
- ✓ I can go to the toilet when I need to
- ✓ I can put on and fasten my coat
- ✓ I can put my shoes on the correct foot and fasten them
- ✓ I can dress and undress myself - this will help me change for PE
- ✓ I can wipe my nose
- ✓ I can recognise my belongings

Eating and drinking...

- ✓ I can use a knife, fork and spoon
- ✓ I can open my lunch box as well as the wrappers and packaging
- ✓ I can drink from a water bottle, carton or open cup

Speaking and listening...

- ✓ I can talk about my ideas, needs and feelings
- ✓ I can ask grown ups for help
- ✓ I can take turns to speak
- ✓ I can follow simple instructions

Reading and writing...

- ✓ I can recognise/read my own name
- ✓ I am learning to write my name
- ✓ I can hold a pencil in a comfortable triangle grip
- ✓ I enjoy listening to stories and rhymes
- ✓ I can recognise some of my letters
- ✓ I know some of the sounds that letters make

Numbers...

- ✓ I can count a small number of objects
- ✓ I can recognise my numbers to 5
- ✓ I can say numbers to 10

Playing with others...

- ✓ I can join in with activities and play with others
- ✓ I can share and take turns

Top tips for parents...

- ✓ Please label all uniform and anything that could get lost
- ✓ Remember to pack a healthy snack for mid morning
- ✓ Please make sure you leave your contact details – it is important we can get hold of you if necessary
- ✓ PE kits need to be brought in and left in school – children will need a white T-shirt, dark shorts and pumps
- ✓ Please always send a coat with your child – weather can change quickly and we do try and go out if possible
- ✓ Please include spare clothes in case of accidents in your child's bag if you think they might need them

And finally...

Your teachers are Mrs Wilding and Miss Parker. Mrs Davies works alongside the teachers. If you have any concerns please come in and talk to us.

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