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Here is a grid of some activities that would help to prepare your child for starting school in August.

You know your child best, so please choose what you feel would benefit them the most.

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Literacy</u></p> <p>Can they recognise their own name? Make a sign for their room and/or where they would hand up their coat at home.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Self-Care</u></p> <p>Can they put on their own jacket and zip it up?</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Independence</u></p> <p>Can they put straws in a drinks carton by themselves?</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Co-operation</u></p> <p>Can they play games that involve turn taking? Let your child know it is ok to lose/be last sometimes.</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Literacy</u></p> <p>Can they write their name? Remember to only teach the first letter as a capital, all other letters should be lowercase.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Independence</u></p> <p>Can they carry a tray or something similar with items on it? This is how children will get their lunch.</p> 
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Independence</u></p> <p>Can they open their own snacks/Tupperware?</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Co-operation</u> <u>Independence</u></p> <p>Can they tidy away toys when they have finished playing before moving on to a new activity?</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Literacy</u></p> <p>Can they sing some simple nursery rhymes? BBC Nursery Rhymes https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/nursery-rhymes-songs-index/zhwdgwx</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Self-Care</u></p> <p>Can they put their school shoes on and off? Can they fasten them by themselves? Velcro shoes are best!</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Numeracy</u></p> <p>Can they recognise and count numbers? Hunt for numbers that you can see. Count objects in the house. Sing counting songs.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Concentration</u></p> <p>Can they compete extended activities? Make a Lego model. Complete a jigsaw puzzle. Bake together and follow a recipe.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Self-Care</u></p> <p>Can they use the toilet independently? (Including wiping their own bottom). Can they wash and dry their hands themselves?</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Literacy</u></p> <p>Can they mark make? Provide lots of opportunities to mark make in different ways e.g. – Chalk, pencil and paper, paint, shaving foam.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Self-Care</u></p> <p>Can they change from one set of clothes into another? Try and Beat the Timer for an extra challenge.</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Literacy</u></p> <p>Can you develop and strengthen fine motor skills? Build Lego models. Thread beads or pasta. Play with playdoh.</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Independence</u></p> <p>Can they use a knife and fork to eat their food? Practise cutting up.</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Literacy</u></p> <p>Can you share lots of stories together? Discuss the front cover and make predictions about the story. Read some books about starting school.</p>