What to expect when you start school: Things you need to bring, 'My day' story and pictures.



Things you need to bring...

Please bring these things with you to school every day. Don't forget to name all your belongings.





<u>A Heatherside book bag</u>

Please bring your Heatherside book bag every day. You will have special books to read at home and at school. You can also put some of the things you have made at school to take home with you.



<u>A water bottle</u>

Drinking water helps us to concentrate and work well. You should bring a named water bottle to school every day.

Drink to think!



<u>A coat</u>

We spend a lot of time outside every day. Please send a lightweight waterproof coat in warmer weather and a warm waterproof coat for when it is cold. This can be left on your own peg.



<u>Lunch</u>

You can choose between having a packed lunch or hot school lunch each day.

If you choose a packed lunch,, please bring your healthy meal in a named lunchbox.

If you are having hot lunch, you will choose your lunch from the school menu in the morning.

My day... There are lots of fun things to do in Year R!

When you arrive at school in the morning you will come onto the canopy and choose your lunch with Mummy or Daddy. You will choose a red or green option and take the matching token.

You will come into your classroom and put your book bag into your coloured box and hang up your coat on your special coat peg. You will go and say hello to your teacher and tell them what you would like for lunch that day and give them your token. If you are having a packed lunch, you will put it away and tell your teacher.



Each day we do a register to see who is in school. We do the register by putting our photos onto our class board next to our name. We can see all of the smiling faces that we have in class that day.

You can then explore the classroom and get busy with your friends. In the classroom, we have lots of things to play with—we have lots of construction toys, toy dinosaurs, cars and animals, dolls, playdough, dressing up clothes, games and lots and lots of things to use for drawing, painting and making models.

Throughout the day, we will play inside and outside. Outside on the canopy, we have lots of things to use such as a home corner, crates and planks for building, large construction, bats and balls, skipping ropes, sand, water, small world. We also have areas to practise our numbers and to mark make.



My day continued...

In the classroom, we have lots of time to play and explore. There will be times in the day when we work with our teacher and LSA to play games, read books and practise our numbers and sounds. There are also times when we sit together on the carpet to learn new things and share stories and sing.



Half way through the morning we stop for our snack, we have a piece of fruit which is different each day. Then we go onto the back playground for our morning playtime with the whole of Year R. We have lots of space to play and we take it in turns for each class to go on the pirate ship! After playtime we come back in for a carpet time and then get busy again in the classroom

We will have lunchtime in the middle of the day. You might have a packed lunch in your own lunchbox or you might have a hot lunch on a special plate. We then go and run around on the playground with our friends. We have our own special class dinner lady to help us at lunchtime.



In the afternoon, we get busy again inside and out on the canopy. We stop to tidy up our classroom and have a story together on the carpet.



Soon it will be home time! There are often lots of things to remember at home time so make sure you listen





bottle

My day in pictures...

Encourage your child to point to the corresponding picture as you read My Day to them. These pictures will form our visual timetable when we start school.



Things I might do in school...





