



On The Way To Kindergarten

Practice these skills over the summer to help your child build independence.



Emotional and Social Development

- An awareness of personal space
 - \circ $\;$ Give people space when sitting beside them
 - Asking for a hug before giving one
- Help clean up toys after playing without getting upset
- o Sharing how they feel
- Handle difficulties with others without being physically aggressive (hitting, biting, kicking, pinching, etc.)
 - Asking for help



- o Listening to stories
- o Recognize their own name in print
- Recognize alphabet letters in books, posters, signs, etc.
- Count by memory from 1-10
- o Identify common shapes and colours
- Show interest in exploring, creating and building

Physical Development and Well Being

- \circ Sleep 10-13 hours each night
- Use washroom (includes wiping and doing up pants)
- Wash & dry hands without help
- \circ $\;$ Put items into a backpack and zip them up without help
- o Open and close most snack and lunch items independently
- o Blow and wipe nose with a tissue independently
- o Dress themselves independently, including putting on their shoes
 - \circ $\;$ VELCRO or SLIP ON SHOES ONLY
 - o Zip up jackets
 - o Buttons on pants

