Preparation Ideas for Reception Class

In Reception, your child will begin to do lots more things independently building on what they have already learnt to do. If your child can do these practical things it helps them to develop independence within their learning environment.

Such as:-

- 1 Put work, letter and pictures into their own book bag- A recognisable key ring helps them to identify their bag as there will be other book bags in the same box.
- 2 Put on their own coat, shoes and wellies. Begin to learn to fasten them up.
- 3 Pull out their coat, jumper or cardigan sleeve if it has gone inside out.
- 4 Take off their uniform and re-dress ready for PE lessons. Note- Please try not to fasten buttons on their PE top after ironing as they cannot put their head through when getting it on.
- 5 Use a knife and fork at dinner times.
- 6 Peel a banana and satsuma, this saves them waiting in a queue to ask the adult. Eat an apple from whole as the apples are not cut into chunks for them.
- 7 Identify their clothing name label.

Have fun practising.

The adults in the classroom will be more than happy to help with all of these things but obviously there may be a long queue to get it done such as at playtime peeling their Satsuma. Or 15 pairs of trousers or pinafores to find and put back on! If your child has the independence to do this they will not have to wait and can be getting on with it.

Thank you.