The three Ps
Preparation, practice and positives are the three Ps to keep in mind when getting your child ready to start school.

St. Chad's
CHURCH OF ENGLAND
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Ready to Start School

Top tips…

1. Label everything! Items can then be easily found and returned if they are labelled. The school does has a lost property box, but hopefully you won't have to check that!

2. Provide your child with a clear water bottle filled with water and a snack everyday. **Please note the Foundation Stage do not order snacks from the school's healthy snack bar.**

3. Provide your child with a St. Chad's C.E. Primary School reading folder, which will be used to store reading books, reading record book, letters and other relevant information. Please **do not** put water bottles in here. We try to avoid spending money on replacing water damaged books.

4. **Strictly no ruck sacks or other large bags as there is simply no room for them in the cloakroom! They put children and adults at risk of injury, as they end up on the floor causing a hazard.**

5. Your child will need only **1** drawstring bag to store their tracksuit bottoms, tracksuit top, round necked t-shirt with school logo, a pair of black shorts and a pair of trainers. The children do not wear black pumps for P.E. They participate in bare feet.

6. Please provide spare underwear and socks for accidents. Children prefer to wear their own when this happens.

7. Your child will need a pair of wellington boots to be kept in school at all times and a pair of labelled thick socks.

8. Your child will need a pair of labelled waterproof trousers for Forest School and other outdoor learning opportunities.

9. Please make sure your child has an appropriate coat for the season with a hood. The playground is very cold indeed during outdoor play and the children will also be working outside from time to time in all weathers.

10. Depending on the season your child will need some additional items to be kept in their tray, such as: a pair of mittens/ gloves, a hat, a scarf, a sunhat, sun cream. Again please label these items.