

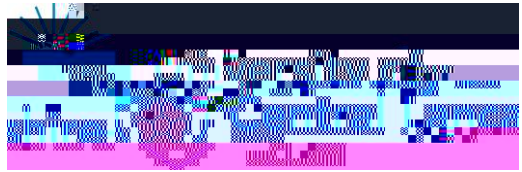
a section for your child's voice. This can be scribed for the child by you, by us, or an area where they may like to draw a picture or make some of their own marks! This is a key skill in promoting confidence and a sense of value throughout the school transition.

Key phrases to prompt your child to completing this section could be 'what did you enjoy best about pre-school?', 'what did you like to play with?', give them little prompts and sit back and wait. We always enjoy reading this section!

Many of the activities and experiences that your child completes and shares, within the Pre School environment contribute to a successful school transition.

Below are such skills that we have identified and promote throughout the year:

- Supporting and encouraging your child, to use the toilet independently and to wipe their bottoms, using health and hygiene practices every time. Using lots of encouragement and praise when completed.
- Encouraging your child to take off and put on own jumpers or cardigans and coats for outdoor play: it can be easier and quicker to do this for them but supporting a child to do it themselves will help them to learn the skill independently. This can also be done with putting on own shoes and socks, we provided a changing station at the beginning of term two in January, to encourage your child to take off their shoes, put on wellies and coats for outdoor play. Parents/carers can support this by encouraging, supporting and praising their child when they have a go!
- Using problem solving techniques to encourage children to deal with conflict, without the intervention of an adult, however the adult can show support and model the expected behaviour in these situations. The practitioner is always positive and expresses the behaviour that they would like to see rather than the behaviour you don't want to see, i.e., we are kind to our friends instead of no fighting, etc
- Praise and encouragement, this is clearly evident



For more information regarding school readiness:

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/early-years-childcare-andfamily-support/family-support/getting-ready-to-start-school/>

