



Will my child be ready for school?

When thinking about sending your child to school, it is important to consider their speech and language skills as well as their overall development and independence. Studies have shown that a child's ability at the beginning of school is a predictor of their future academic ability (Snow, 2006).

Before commencing school your child should be able to:

- Take turns and contribute to longer conversations
- Use sentences that are well formed
- Be learning more words all the time and thinking more about what different words mean
- Be able to re-tell short stories they've heard in roughly the right order and using language that makes it sound like a story, e.g. "Once upon a time..."
- Speak fluently and clearly
- Ask relevant questions and comments
- Listen to and understand spoken instructions while they're doing something else
- Understand difficult concepts such as 'last', 'might', 'maybe', and 'above'
- Use talking to socialise and have conversations with other children and adults

As parents we want to be confident we are building the foundation for our children's success. A Speech Pathologist can work with you and your child to make sure they are ready for school. Call us today for your initial consultation to discuss your child's needs.

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