**All About My Child**

Starting school is an exciting time for you and your child and a time of change. For a positive start to school, it is beneficial for your child’s new teacher to know a little about your child before they start school to ensure the classrooms and experiences are ready to support your child’s individual needs and interests from day one.



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| **This is me**  *Insert a photo of your child or ask them to draw their portrait*  **Circle words that describe your** **child. You can add other words too**  *Funny, quiet, independent, likes routines, dreamy, adventurous, lively, curious, friendly, anxious, sociable, confident, active, kid, sensitive….* |  | **My name is…**  **I like to be called…**  **My birthday is … I am …. Years old**  **These are the languages I speak at home…**  **These are my special days (e.g. cultural celebrations)**  **My medical needs…**  **I have been to a nursery or childminder: Yes / No**  **I have been there since…** |

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| **These are the people who are important to me.** *Parents, carers, siblings, grandparents, aunts and uncles and family friends that are regularly involved in the day to day care.* |  | | **How do I feel about starting school?** *Circle the words that describes how your child is feeling about starting school or add your own.*  **Excited, happy, brave, worried, scared,**  **Who do I know going to my new school?**  **My friends are ….** | |
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| **Things I like:**  **My favourite stories, rhymes and songs:**  **My favourite toys, games and activities:**  **My favourite places to visit before lockdown:**  **What I like to do during lockdown:** | |  | | **Things I don’t like**  **Things that can upset, frighten or worry me**  **How you can comfort or calm me**  *include different ways that you can be soothed e.g. cuddles, singing, distraction* |

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| **Regular activities I joined in with before lockdown:**  *Does your child attend for example dance class, swimming, football?*  **My current interests are**  *What does your child like doing, watching on the tv* |  | **At home I am practising:**  Go to the toilet by myself  Wash my hands  Put on my coat, shoes and clothes by myself  Pouring my own drink  Drinking from a cup |

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| **How does your child separate from you?** *Are they happy to leave you? Do they get upset when they leave you or happy to leave you after a while?*  **What experience does your child have of playing with other children?** For example, has your child attending nursery or childminders  **Is there anything you would like us to know or are concerned about?**  **For ideas on supporting your child get ready and excited about starting look out for the starting**    **school together challenges on**  <https://www.facebook.com/chitchatpitterpatLBWF/>  [https://www.instagram.com/chit\_chat\_pitter\_pat/](https://protect-eu.mimecast.com/s/7Wz9CGR0VIJA4WWc0POMM?domain=instagram.com) |