



Smallways Nursery School



Your Child's first day at nursery school.

We would firstly like to welcome you to our little family. We hope you and your precious child would have many fun filled years with us.

The first day of school is both an exciting and dreaded milestone for the family.

Your child is embarking on a new adventure that will lead to discovering themselves and learning new things. As exciting as it sounds this can be stressful on a young child to step out in the unknown.

For many children this could be their first experience away from parents or care givers.

Here are a few suggestions to help assist your child in the transition.

- There most likely will be tears and sad faces. This is a new experience for them and it will take time for them to settle.
- We will give you a call with updates on your child for the first couple of days. We assure you your loved one is very well cared for at Smallways.
- Prepare your child for the new school experience by talking to them about where they will be going and how much fun they will be having.
- Have a positive attitude. Your child can pick up on your feelings and emotions. If you are positive about the school experience your child will be too.
- Always say good bye and give them a reassuring hug to tell them you will be back later and then leave. Extending your goodbyes could lead to increased anxiety.
- Often the second and third days are harder because they now know you will be leaving them, maintain the goodbye routine and know that your child is well looked after and they will settle.

Please know that we are here for you and your little one.

We look forward to getting to know you and your family.

We wish you a happy and prosperous year ahead.

Welcome to the family

Margie Smith
Principal