

Your starting-school checklist

Everything you need, roughly in the order you will need it. Tick each one off as you go and keep this somewhere you will see it — the fridge door works well.

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| ☐ | 01 | Our school day — timetable
Start and finish times, and what happens in between. |
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| ☐ | 02 | Term dates and INSET days
Worth putting in your calendar before you book anything. |
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| ☐ | 03 | Uniform — what to buy and where
Including our pre-loved uniform rail. Please label everything. |
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| ☐ | 04 | School lunches, menus and how to pay
£3.30 a day, and free for Reception to Year 2. |
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| ☐ | 05 | Free school meals — check if you are eligible
Please do check even if your child is in Reception to Year 2. |
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| ☐ | 06 | Breakfast Club and After-School Club
Run for us by KidzActive. Book early for the autumn term. |
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| ☐ | 07 | How we will contact you
Set this up early so you do not miss anything in week one. |
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| ☐ | 08 | Attendance — what we expect and why
Including how to report an absence and how to request leave. |
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| ☐ | 09 | Medical needs, allergies and medication
Tell us before the first day, however minor it seems. |
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| ☐ | 10 | Clubs and activities
What is on this term, and how to sign your child up. |
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| ☐ | 11 | Our latest newsletter
An unvarnished look at what a typical week here looks like. |
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| ☐ | 12 | Our latest Ofsted report
Read it alongside a visit, not instead of one. |
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Stuck on any of these? Please ring us on 01799 584219 or email admin@ashdon.essex.sch.uk.