

## Parent Information Sheet

### Helping Your Child To Be Ready To Learn At School



#### **Helping Hand At Home**

- Help your child to have all the equipment they need for learning
- Ask your child what they have learnt at school and take an interest in these topics
- Allow your child to help you with shopping, cooking and other jobs around the house
- Be patient when your child is helping
- Make time for regular reading with your child including books, magazines, newspapers and online

#### **Helping Hand At School**

- Make sure your child is on time for school in the morning and collected on time every day
- Support the school's policies and procedures
- Offer to help out with PTA events, clubs, sports events, vocation days, advice and support using your skills and upkeep of the school when you can
- Attend open classrooms and assemblies
- Attend parents' meetings and workshops
- Attend PTA events

#### **Helping Hand With Communication**

- You and all staff at Fernhurst want the best for your child so don't be afraid to ask questions or for clarification
- Read the information we provide – newsletters, emails, letters and leaflets
- Use the school website for information – there are useful class pages, gallery, curriculum information, policies, key dates and school life information
- Keep school informed about family changes that might affect your child's learning, however small
- Respond promptly to school communications
- Inform the school straight away if you change your contact details

#### **Helping With Homework**

- Provide a quiet place for your child to work
- Help your child develop a routine and set dedicated time aside
- Give encouragement and support to help your child complete their homework, but don't do it for them
- Help your child to learn the basics such as phonics, number bonds, spellings and tables
- Take time to answer your child's questions and address their concerns at an age appropriate level

#### **Help Your Child Learn In And Out Of The Home**

- Link your child's learning to family activities.
- Look for things in your local area that will help your child to learn such as nature reserves and museums
- Spend time playing outside and talk about the world around them
- Get to know what your child is learning
- Take time to listen to your child and explain things carefully, developing their understanding and vocabulary