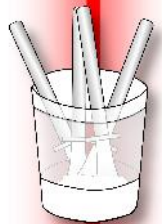
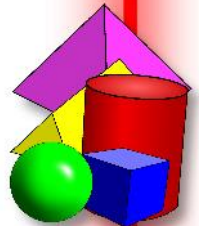
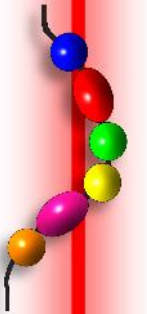
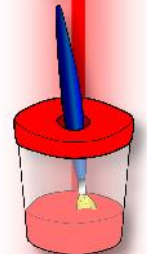
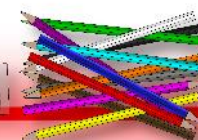
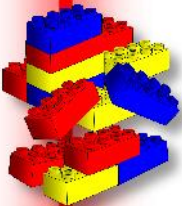
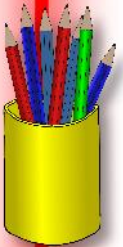
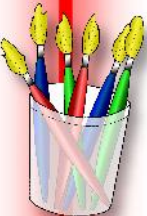
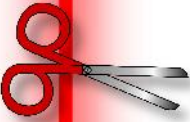


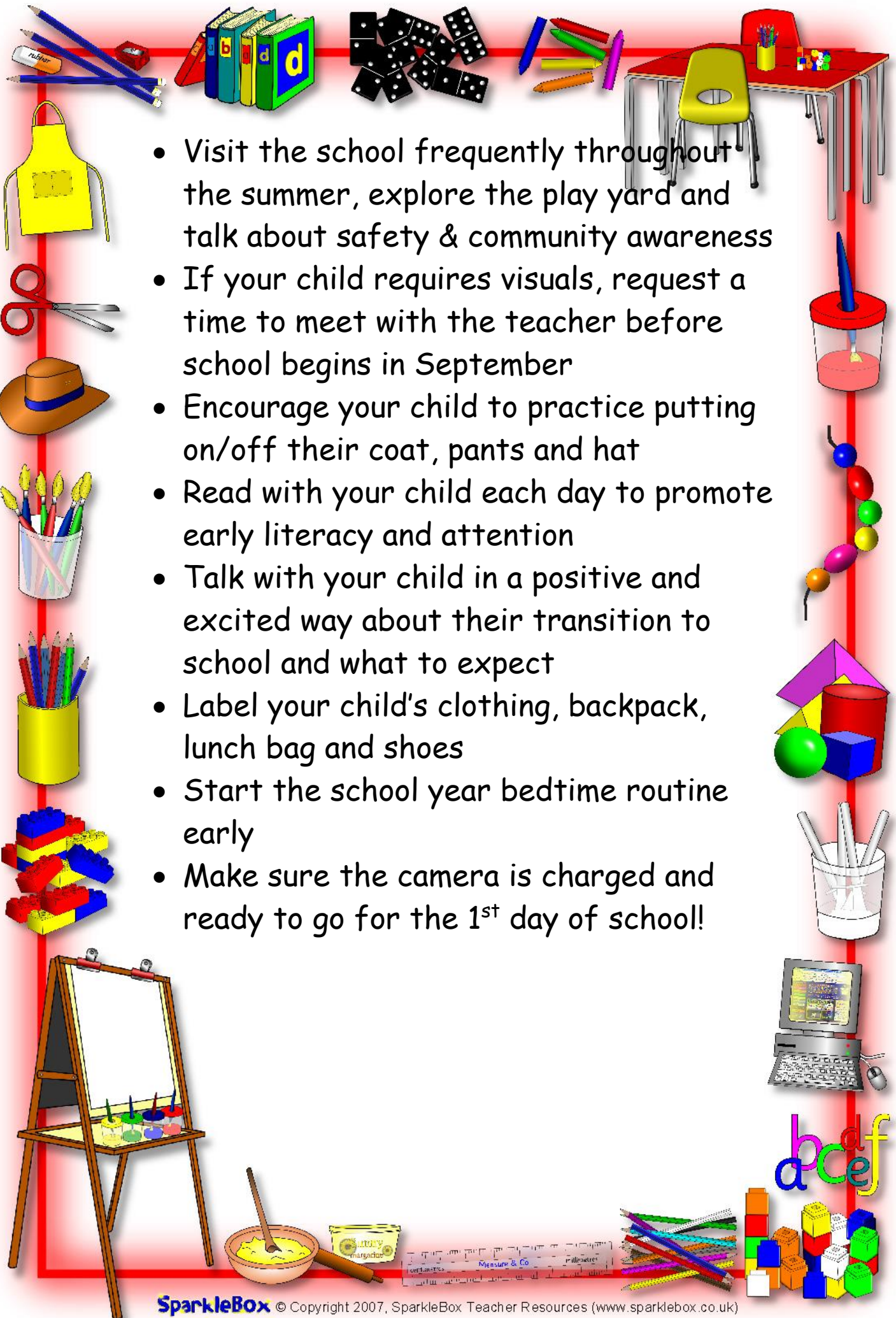


Becoming "School Ready"

Listed below are some tips and tricks on getting your child ready to enter school for the first time.

- Purchase your child's back pack early in the year and practice wearing it and opening the zipper
- Encourage your child to practice opening & closing snack containers that he/she will use while at school
- Dress your child in elastic waist band pants/shorts and encourage them to pull up & down during the toileting routine
- Practice putting on and taking off Velcro shoes
- Encourage social interactions with other children the same age by visiting parks, playgroups, OEYC, local library, recreation or nursery school programs
- Play games to promote one & two step directions ie: (follow the leader, search & find, hot & cold, eye spy, Simon Says & What Time is it Mr. Wolf)





- Visit the school frequently throughout the summer, explore the play yard and talk about safety & community awareness
- If your child requires visuals, request a time to meet with the teacher before school begins in September
- Encourage your child to practice putting on/off their coat, pants and hat
- Read with your child each day to promote early literacy and attention
- Talk with your child in a positive and excited way about their transition to school and what to expect
- Label your child's clothing, backpack, lunch bag and shoes
- Start the school year bedtime routine early
- Make sure the camera is charged and ready to go for the 1st day of school!