PRINTABLES GENIUS SHEET

OUR PRINTABLES ARE TRIED AND TRUE AND BUILT BY PARENTS IN THE THICK OF RAISING KIDS.

We've kept them simple, so you can add your own personal tweaks, and tailor them to your life.

Life with kids is like a constant update, so print them out as many times as you need to change the plan. There's no need to squish in new info and cross old stuff out.

Try these genius tips:

1. Use different coloured pens for different kids if you need to combine everyone on a single chart. Consider following these colours through to everything else (lunchboxes, drink bottles, bags, name tags).

2. Print several at a time and staple/clip together so you have a fresh chart when needed, and you have the old one still there to refer to.

3. Laminate and use a wipeable pen if you need to tick or regularly add your own scribbles to the chart. Handy too for minor tweaks.

4. Establish a "family command centre" to stick up your printables. This way everyone knows where to find the info.

Different ways to display your charts:

- Magnets on the fridge or magnetised board.
- Pegs on string or wire.
- Pins on a pin board.
- Velcro dots on a wall, fabric board, or a carpet square on the wall.
- Use picture frames on the wall and pop your charts into these.
- Think transportable, and slip charts into clear plastic folders and keep a neat stack on your command centre, office, or somewhere visible on the kitchen bench.
- Using a photo album, create a chart book. Make sure everyone can access it when they need to. Make your book look beautiful and easy to spot.

GETTING READY FOR SCHOOL

It's nearly time to start school! Here are some things you can practise at home to help you get ready for being a school kid.

SELF-CARE AND INDEPENDENCE

- [ ] I can wash and dry my hands.
- [ ] I can wipe my nose.
- [ ] I can put on/fasten my coat and shoes.
- [ ] I can go to the toilet.
- [ ] I am learning to dress/undress – this will help me change for PE.
- [ ] I am happy to be away from my parents. I know they will be back soon.

PLAYING WITH OTHERS

- [ ] I join in games and activities with other people.
- [ ] I can share and take turns.

SPEAKING AND LISTENING

- [ ] I can talk about my ideas, needs and feelings.
- [ ] I can ask a grown-up for help.
- [ ] I can follow simple instructions.

READING AND WRITING

- [ ] I can recognise and read my name.
- [ ] I can hold a pencil to write and draw.
- [ ] I am learning to write my name.
- [ ] I enjoy listening to stories and rhymes.

EATING AND DRINKING

- [ ] I can use a knife, fork and spoon.
- [ ] I can open my lunchbox as well as wrappers and packaging.
- [ ] I can open and drink from a water bottle.

LETTERS AND NUMBERS

- [ ] I can count a small number of items.
- [ ] I can recite the alphabet.
- [ ] I am learning to count to 10.
- [ ] I can recognise some numbers and letters.

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