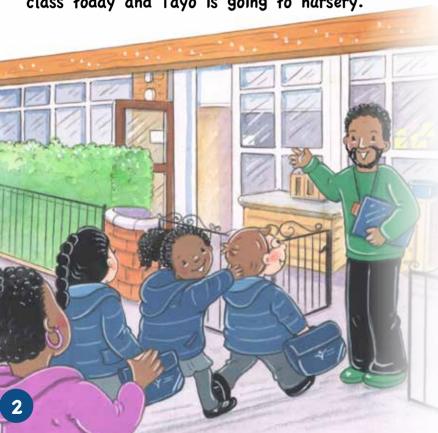


What happens when I get to school?

Selam and Lucas are starting in reception class today and Tayo is going to nursery.



"Goodbye, Mum," says Selam.

"Hello, Lucas and Selam. We are going to have an exciting day today," says the teacher as he takes the children into their classroom.

Tayo's grown-up has taken him into his classroom and will say "goodbye" to him there.

When you go into school, you will hang up your coat on your coat peg, like Lucas is doing.



Then you will go into the classroom and put your water bottle away and change your storybook.



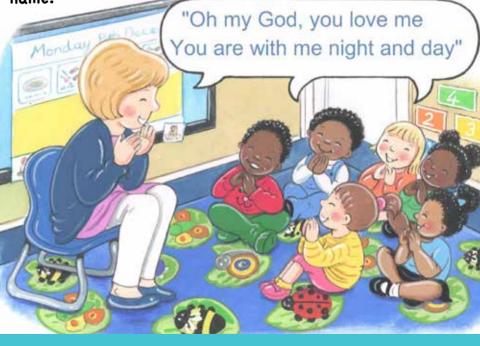
You will find your name on a card and match it up with your name on the wall. This shows that you are in school that day and helps you practise reading your name.

Tayo's teacher helps him find his name.

When everyone has arrived, you will sit on the carpet and say the morning prayer:

"Oh my God, you love me You are with me night and day I want to love you always In all I do and say I'll try to please you, Father Bless me through the day. AMEN"

Tayo enjoys starting off his day in nursery by praying with his friends.



Do you know when you are coming to St Joan of Arc Catholic Primary School?

What will I do in nursery or school?

Sometimes you will do activities with your teacher and sometimes you will do activities with your friends or by yourself. You will learn and make friends as you play. There are lots of great things for you to do.

Tayo is having lots of fun in nursery.

He is learning to count with his teacher and new friend, Sophie.

He plays in the sand and is making friends with Aster.

He is enjoying looking at books. He plays on the playground equipment with Katie. "Let's pretend we are on top of a mountain," he says. "That sounds like so much fun." says Katie.

Selam and Lucas are enjoying their day in reception. Lucas is doing some craft with his teacher. "I am going to make a lovely picture with pieces I have cut out," he says. Lucas is playing on the play train with Thomas and Emmanuel. "Where does this train go to?" asks Lucas. "It goes to the seaside." says Emmanuel. Selam is making some shapes on a pin board. "I am making lots of different shapes," she says.

What do you like doing with your friends?

What happens if I am hungry or thirsty?

You will have snack time in the morning. You can have fruit to eat and drink water from your water bottle. You will sit on the carpet and listen to your teacher read a story. "It's so much fun to have a snack with all my friends," Lucas says to himself. At lunchtime, your teachers will take you to the hall for your meal. You will eat with the other children in nursery and reception. There are lots of kind adults there to give you your food and help when you are eating.

When you go into the hall, you will go to the counter and choose what you would like. There is always lots of delicious food so there will be something you like every day. A vegetarian option is always available.

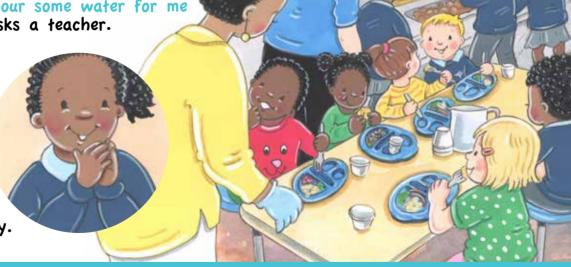
You will then take your food and sit at a table with your friends. Everyone is kind and helpful to each other and uses good table manners.

"Can you help me pour some water for me and Katie?" Tayo asks a teacher.

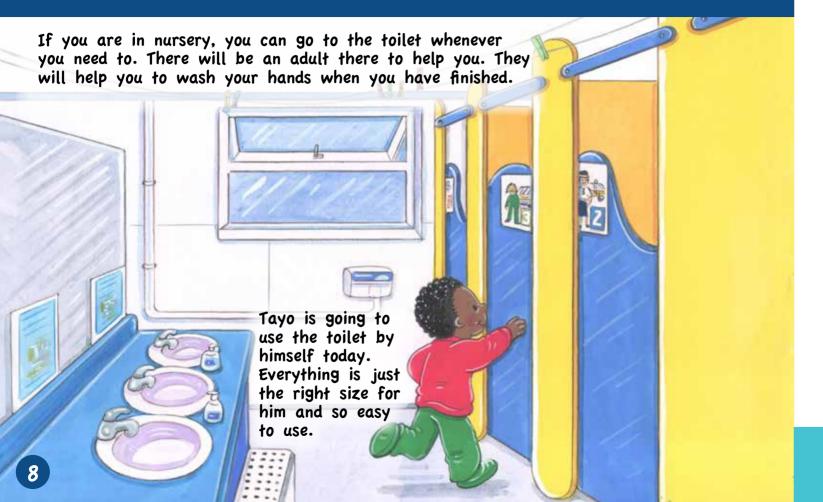
for you both,"
says the teacher.
"Thank you for
asking so nicely
and looking
after Katie."

"I will pour some

When you have finished your meal, you can go and play.



What if I need the toilet?



If you are in reception, let your teacher know when you need to go to the toilet and you will go by yourself.

Selam has used the toilet, and now she is washing her hands with warm water and soap. She will make sure she dries them before she goes back to her class.

"I am so pleased that I practised going to the toilet by myself before I started school," says Selam.

Don't worry if you have a toilet accident. Just tell your teacher and they will help.



What happens at the end of your nursery or school day?

At the end of the day, you will sit on the carpet and listen to a story.

Then you will all say the evening prayer:

"God our Father, I come to say Thank you for your love today. Thank you for my family and all the friends you give to me. Guard me in the dark of night And in the morning send your light. AMEN"

Lucas and Selam love thanking God for the wonderful day they have had at school.

You will collect your belongings and put your coat on. Each day, you will take home a reading book in your book bag. You will look at your book with your grown-up at home.

If you are going home straight after school, your grown-up will wait for you outside your classroom. Your teacher will stand at the door and when they see your grown-up, they will call your name and you can go out to meet them.

If you are going to the after-school club, a teacher will collect you and take you to the club.



Tayo is happy to see his mum.

"I have had so much fun today," he tells her.



Are you excited about coming to St Joan of Arc Catholic Primary School?



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