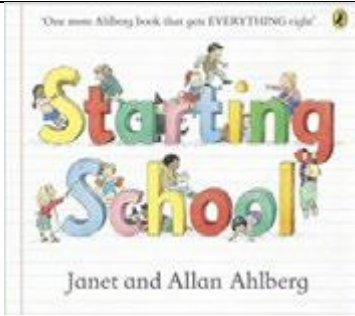
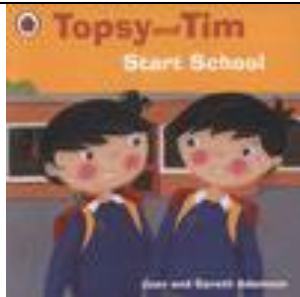
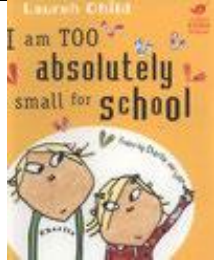
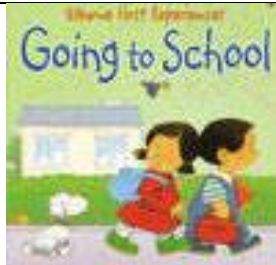
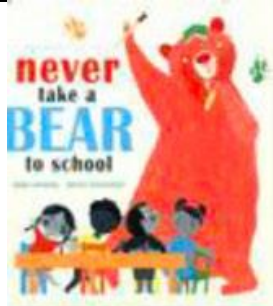


There are plenty of picture books that can prepare your little ones for this big change and will help dispel any worries or fears they may have. Here is a selection of books about starting school.

Title	Author		Synopsis
Starting school	Janet and Allan Ahlberg		From first day nerves to finding your peg, this reassuring read is full of humour and fun for children and parents alike. A classic picture book which offers advice and enjoyment for the whole family before school starts.
Topsy and Tim start school	Jean Adamson and Gareth Adamson		Along with favourite characters Topsy and Tim, children will learn what to expect in lessons, in the playground - even in the canteen - and, more importantly, that school can be fun!
I am too absolutely small for school	Lauren Child		Lola is nearly big enough to go to school. But in her opinion she is still really quite small, and has far too many important things to keep her extremely busy at home.
Going to School	Anne Civardi		One of the 'Usborne First Experiences' series, "Going to School" uses simple text to introduce very young children, in an amusing and friendly way, to a new situation.
Harry and the dinosaurs go to school	Ian Whybrow and Adrian Reynolds		It is the first day at school for Harry and his bucketful of dinosaurs and they're excited to be going - all except Stegosaurus who's very nervous.
Never take a bear to school	Mark Sperring		Bears are clumsy. They don't sit still. They're much, much bigger than teachers - and they eat SUCH a lot of lunch! Yes, taking a bear to school is a BAD idea. But will this little boy find the courage to face the first day of school alone?