

Before they can...

...they will need to develop...

Ways to help...

...read numbers and letters

...the ability to notice the difference
between different pictures and
symbols.

Spot the difference games
Puzzles
Matching pairs/snap
Memory games

...read words and sentences

...the ability to hear the difference
between different sounds.

Explore words that rhyme
Learn and sing nursery rhymes together
Play 'I spy'
Practise using own voice to replicate
animal and environmental sounds

...write their name using a
pencil

...the ability to hold tools, by
strengthening fine and gross motor
skills.

Threading
Using tweezers
Playing games such as 'operation'
'Buckaroo'
Cutting paper/card with scissors
Playing with playdough

...write words and
sentences

...the ability to speak in full sentences
and understand the meaning of words.

Encourage children to ask questions and
speak in full sentences.
Read books and make up own stories.
Ask children for more
information/explanations.

Listed above are a few of the ways you can help at home to support your child moving forward with their learning. As you can see, many are common past-times that you probably already enjoy with your child!