



Welcome
to the

Hedgehog Class





Miss Yardley



Meet the Teachers - Reception and Year 1 Miss Howlett



Mrs Nelson



Miss Indie



Miss Matthews





School Values and Vision

Let your light shine before others, that they may see
your good deeds and glorify them.
Matthew 5:16



Inside every child is a rainbow
waiting to shine





A Typical Day in Reception and Year 1

Our school day begins at 8:40am, ready for a busy, fun and action-packed day of learning! As the children arrive, they put their water bottles in the Orchard Area and their book bags in their drawers, before getting busy with the activities available in the classroom.



During the morning, we come together for a short Collective Worship, which may be enjoyed as a whole school, key stage or class.



This gives us time to be still, listen, reflect and grow in faith together.



A Typical Day in Hedgehogs

Our mornings are busy and varied, with a mixture of directed learning, active learning and continuous provision.



Reception and Year 1 take part in a mixture of phonics, active playground sessions, Maths, Reading, Writing and Topic activities, alongside time to explore and learn independently through our Rainbow Challenges.

Learning takes place both in the classroom and in our Orchard Area, with fruit and milk enjoyed during the morning too.

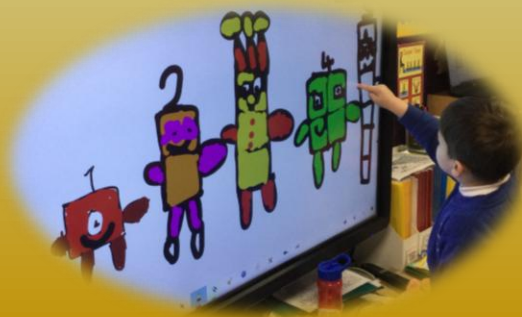




A Typical Day in Hedgehogs

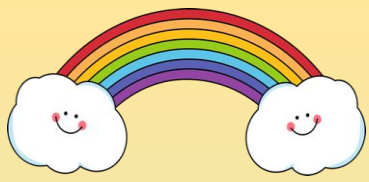


After such a busy morning, we are certainly ready for lunch! The children collect their lunches from the kitchen and, with the support of our KS2 buddies, return to the classroom to eat together. Afterwards, they head outside to enjoy playtime with the rest of the school. Our afternoons are just as busy and varied. We enjoy rhymes and songs, Drawing Club, and a mixture of directed activities and continuous provision. Much of our afternoon learning is topic-based, covering the foundation subjects in Year 1 and Understanding the World in Reception, with plenty of opportunities for children to explore, create, talk, investigate and learn through play.



School finishes at 3.20pm and pick up is from the Orchard.

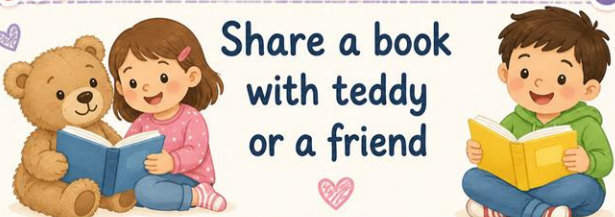




Rainbow Challenges...

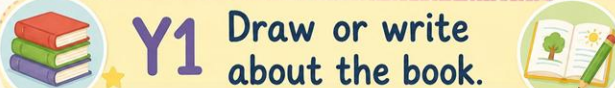


Red Rainbow Challenge



Share a book with teddy or a friend

Y1 Draw or write about the book.



Yellow Rainbow Challenge



Talk, about the big picture.

Y1 Draw or write about the picture.



Orange Rainbow Challenge



Have fun and complete one of the creative activities.

Green Rainbow Challenge



Think about the story of the week and complete one of the Story World Play activities.

Blue Rainbow Challenge



Number Fun: Complete the number of the week activity.



Purple Rainbow Challenge



Be a fantastic Hedgehog and let your light shine.

Kind
Helpful
Respectful
Brave

Let your light shine!

We learn. We care. We shine!



Key Topics this year...

History and Geography



What is my history?

Where am I?



How have our homes changed?

How do seasons change in the UK?

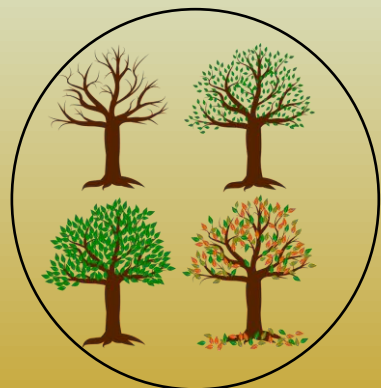


How have space explorers changed the world?

What is it like to live in Kenya?



Science



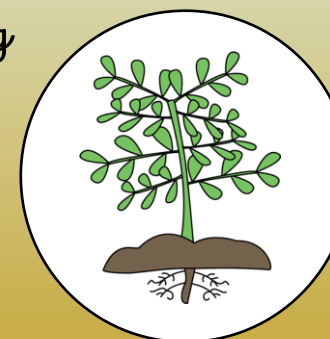
Forces and Space: Seasonal changes

Materials: Everyday Materials



Animals: Sensitive Bodies

Animals: Comparing Animals



Plants: Introduction to Plants

Making Connections: Investigating Science





Supporting at home...



Reading

Read stories and non-fiction books to your child and listen to them read most days.

 **Phonics Meeting:** Please come along to our Phonics Meeting on Wednesday 21st September at 6pm to find out more about how we teach phonics and how you can support reading at home.

 **Sharing Books and Stories** We would love to welcome parents and carers into class to share a favourite book with the children at story time or support with changing library books on a Thursday morning. If you would like to come in and read to us, please let me know and we can arrange a convenient day. Thank you for helping us develop a love of reading!



Supporting at home...



Read, Talk and Play Together



Read, Talk and Play Together activities are posted on Tapestry every Monday. These simple activities are designed to encourage you to play, talk, explore and learn together at home, while supporting the learning taking place in school.

 **Read Together:** Share a story, non-fiction book, song or rhyme together. Enjoy talking about what you read and see.

 **Talk Together:** Chat about a focus question or topic. Encourage your child to share their ideas, experiences and opinions.

 **Explore Together:** Enjoy a simple activity or challenge with your child, giving you the opportunity to play, explore, discover and learn together.

 **Share With Us:** Once you have completed the activities, we would love to see what you have been doing! You can add a comment or photos to Tapestry, or encourage your child to bring in or show us what they have done.

Most importantly - have fun learning together!

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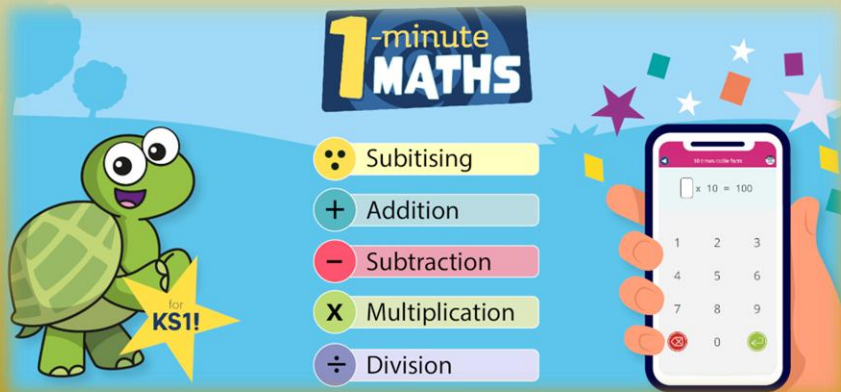


Resources to access at home



Sounds-Write
FIRST RATE PHONICS

Letter-join 



Keeping in Touch

💬 We are always here to support, listen and work together with you. If you have any questions or concerns, please come and speak to us at the end of the school day. If your message is urgent, please contact the school office.

📱 Everyday Enquiries: For minor queries, such as lost items or after-school clubs, you can contact us through Class Dojo.

👤 Important Matters: If you need to discuss something important or confidential, please speak to us in person. Appointments with teachers can be arranged directly with the teacher or through the school office.

💬 Injuries at School: If your child has a serious injury, we will contact you by telephone. Minor injuries, such as small cuts and grazes, will be communicated through an accident form sent home at the end of the day.

Please remember – no question or concern is too small. We want to work in partnership with you to make sure your child is happy, safe and thriving at school.

Communication...



Class Newsletter



shotterystandrewsprimary.org.uk



Whole School Newsletter



Tapestry

Twitter - learning



Class Dojo



Additional Support/Concerns...

♥ We Are Here to Help If you have any concerns about your child or feel that you or your family may need some support, please get in touch. You can contact me directly through Class Dojo, speak to me after school, or contact the school office to arrange a private meeting.

Our Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) team are always available to listen, offer support and help you with any concerns.

Please don't hesitate to talk to us - we are here to support you and your child.





The Designated Safeguarding Leads at
Shottery St Andrew's CofE Primary School are:



Designated Safeguarding Lead
and Designated Teacher
Mrs Louise Withers, Headteacher
admin3057@welearn365.com

Mrs Sara Johnston
Deputy DSL



Mrs Carrie Hill
Deputy DSL



Mrs Clair Reeves
Deputy DSL



Miss L. Williams
Deputy DSL





Our Safeguarding and Children
in Care Governor is:
Miss Rebecca Bartlett
bartlett@welearn365.com

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE
IS EVERYONE'S
RESPONSIBILITY



Attendance

Every Day Matters

Developing good attendance and punctuality habits from the very beginning is important for your child's learning, friendships, well-being and future success. Regular attendance is also an important part of keeping children safe, so absences will always be followed up. 90% attendance or regularly arriving just 5 minutes late may not seem significant, but over time it can add up to a considerable amount of lost learning. By arriving every day and on time, your child is ready to learn, feels part of the class and gets the very best from every school day.



Reporting an Absence

If your child is going to be absent from school, please contact the school office before 9am on the day of the absence and provide a reason. This helps us to keep all our children safe and ensure that every absence is accounted for.

Holidays and Penalty Notices

Holidays during term time will not be authorised. Children should attend school every day unless there is a valid reason for absence.

Taking a holiday during term time will be recorded as unauthorised and, where the required criteria are met, Warwickshire County Council may issue a fine. Please speak to the school office if you have any questions about attendance or need further information.

Every Day Counts

100% attendance	0 days missed	No learning missed!
97% attendance	5 days missed	A weeks learning missed
94% attendance	12 days missed	2 weeks and 2 days learning missed
90% attendance	19 days missed	3 weeks and 4 days learning missed
85% attendance	30 days missed	6 weeks of learning missed
80% attendance	40 days missed	8 weeks of learning missed

Every Minute Counts

Always on time!	No hours missed!	No learning lost!
5 minutes late each day	15 hours missed	3 days learning missed
10 minutes late every day	32 hours missed	6.5 days learning missed
20 minutes late each day	65 hours missed	13 days learning missed
30 minutes late each day	95 hours missed	19 days learning missed

 **Punctuality**—Arriving at school on time every day helps your child to feel settled, ready to learn and part of their class. If your child arrives after the register has closed, this will be recorded as an unauthorised late mark, which will affect their overall attendance..



Uniform, Belongings & Independence



Clearly naming uniform, coats, shoes, book bags and other belongings makes it much easier for us to return lost items to their owner.

✿ Encouraging Independence: Please encourage your child to become increasingly independent. In the morning, children will learn to put away their own book bags and coats and take responsibility for their belongings. Jumpers and cardigans should be placed safely in their trays when they are not being worn.

💧 Water Bottles: Your child needs a named water bottle in school every day. Please fill it with fresh water only (not juice) and make sure it is regularly cleaned.

🧠 Messy Learning is Good Learning! We provide aprons for particularly messy activities, but children may still come home looking a little less pristine than when they arrived! Paint, mud, sand or a few mysterious marks are often signs of a busy, happy day filled with playing, exploring and learning!

Please label everything!



Celebrating Success...

We love to notice, recognise and celebrate the many ways our children shine. This might be through fantastic learning, kindness, perseverance, independence, helping others or simply trying their very best.

Children's achievements are celebrated in lots of ways, including praise, stickers, House Points, as well as our 'Let Your Light Shine' Recognition Board.

🏆 We also celebrate through Celebration Worship, Headteacher Certificates and Values Awards, recognising both achievements and the ways children demonstrate our school values.

👨👩 Sharing Success With You

Throughout the year, there will be opportunities for families to join us for topic-sharing events and other special occasions. We also share and celebrate school life through our website, Tapestry and social media, giving you a glimpse of the wonderful learning and experiences taking place in school.

Every child has something to celebrate and many opportunities to let their light shine!







Friends of Shottery St Andrews

= F.S.S.A = ♡ ☀



We are the school's equivalent of a PTA. Our main goal is to organise and host events to raise funds and create lasting memories for the children at the school. The money we raise is used to directly benefit the students by purchasing educational equipment, subsidising school trips, funding various activities, providing treats, and much more!





FUN, MEMORIES & AMAZING EVENTS!

The last academic year was filled with fun and excitement! We organised discos, Christmas and summer fairs, an Easter celebration and raffle, Rock & Roll Bingo, Family Game Night, a Mystery Box event, dress-down days, a crazy hair day, and even had the students' amazing self-portraits printed on various products.



TOGETHER WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE



HOW WE RAISE FUNDS

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SCHOOL TRIPS & ACTIVITIES



WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT!

We need your support to make this happen! Simply by attending and supporting our events you continue to make all of this possible. Every parent at Shottery St. Andrew's Primary School is automatically a member of the FSSA. The level of involvement is completely up to you. If you would like to become more involved with event planning, volunteer at events or have an idea to share, please join us at one of our meetings or send us an email. We are always happy to hear from you!





GET IN TOUCH!
Join us at a meeting or send us an email:
shotteryfriends@gmail.com



Thank you for supporting the FSSA! ♡

TOGETHER, WE MAKE OUR SCHOOL AN AMAZING PLACE TO LEARN AND GROW



AOB...

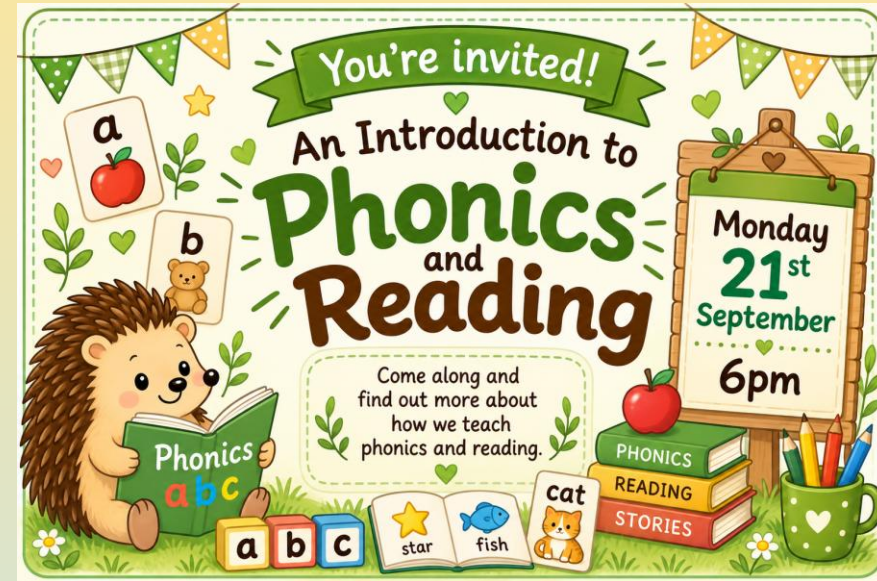
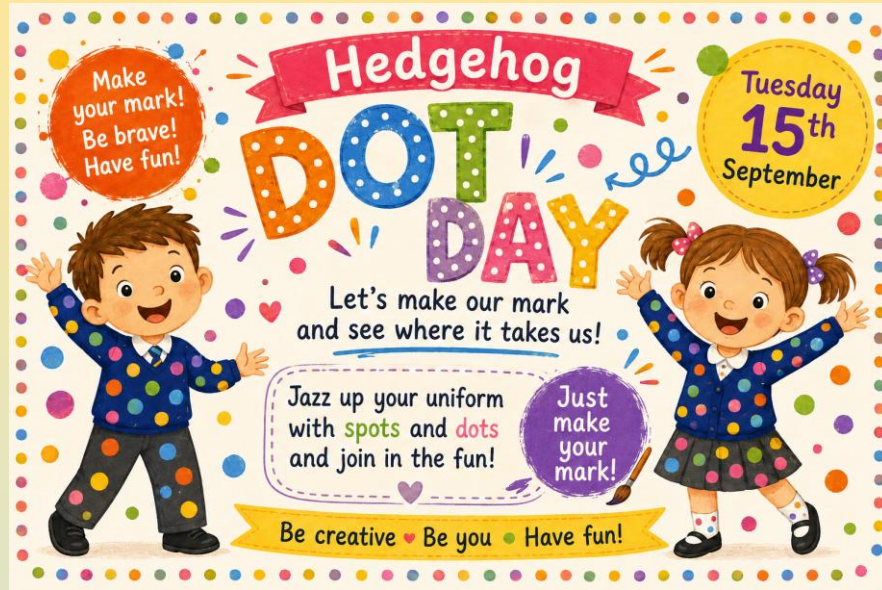
Children have a small drawer and a peg for coats.
They only need a bookbag. Please remember space is limited.

Fruit is provided but if you want to supplement this it's healthy snacks

Year One need to come to school in
PE Kit on Tuesday



Dates for your diary



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Meet the Teacher

Thank you for coming!

It was lovely to welcome you and
have the opportunity to share a little
more about life in Hedgehog Class.

We look forward to
working together to support
your child as they learn, grow,
explore and let their light shine!

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every child
thrive!

