

welcome to



*Shottery St Andrew's
CofE Primary School*



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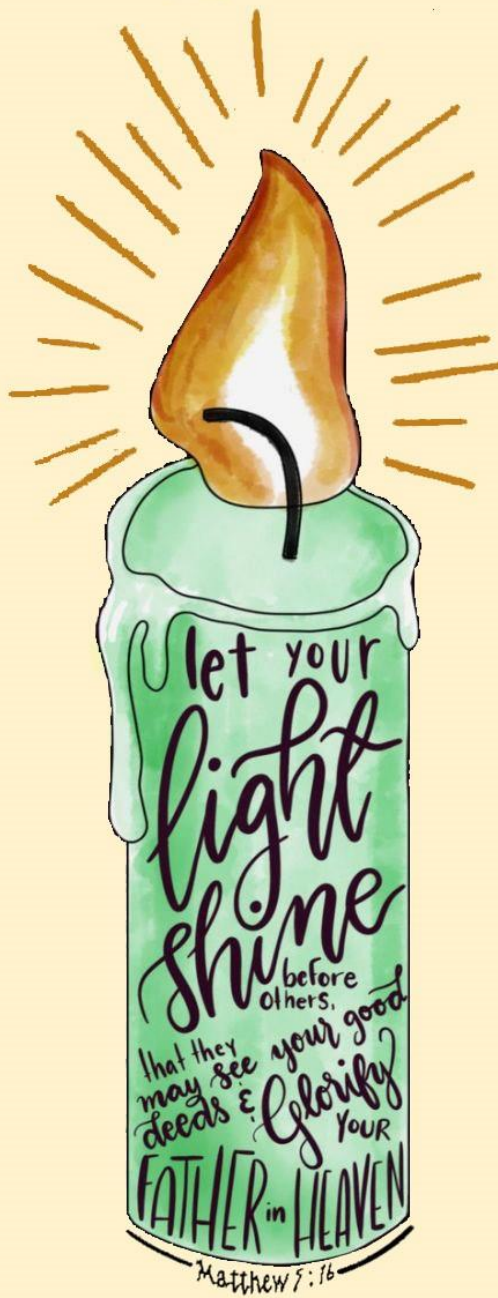
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Anchored in faith we shine!



Shottery St Andrew's C of E Primary School



We are ...

- a smaller than average primary school, where each child is nurtured as an individual.
- proud of our family and community ethos where everyone is equal.
- ambitious and support all pupils to be successful in educational and personal achievements.
- a Church of England School and while guided by Christian values, we are inclusive and welcome students from all backgrounds.

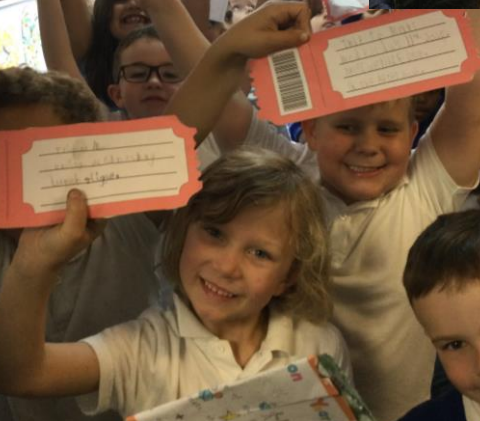


A parents guide to starting school
at
Shottery St Andrew's CE Primary School

Reception 2025-2026



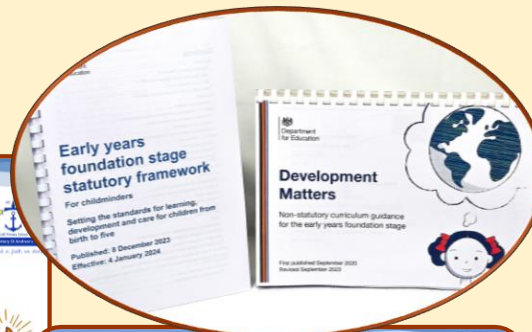
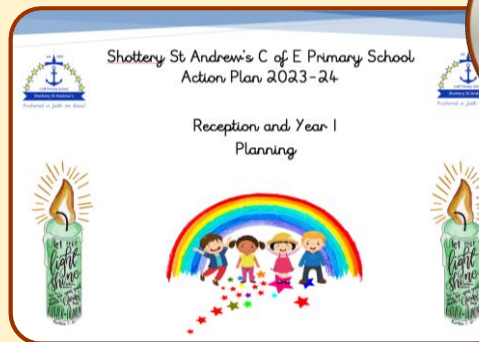
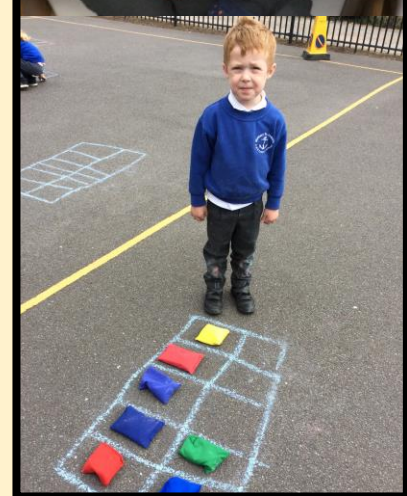
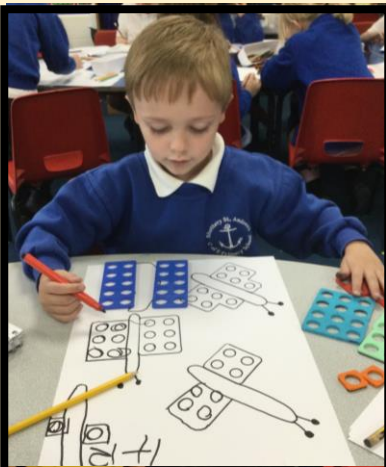
Let your light shine before others,
that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in
heaven. Matthew 5*



Reception children join the Hedgehog Class



We continue to follow and build upon the Curriculum Guidance for the Early Years Foundation Stage, while also linking with the National Curriculum and Year 1 where possible.





Prime Areas of Learning

Communication and Language

- ◆ Listening
- ◆ Attention and Understanding
- ◆ Speaking

Physical Development

- ◆ Gross Motor Skills\
- ◆ Fine Motor Skills

Personal, Social and Emotion Development

- ◆ Self-Regulation
- ◆ Managing Self
- ◆ Building Relationships

The Curriculum



Literacy

- ◆ Comprehension
- ◆ Word Reading
- ◆ Writing

Maths

- ◆ Number
- ◆ Numerical Patterns

Additional Areas of Learning

Understanding of the World

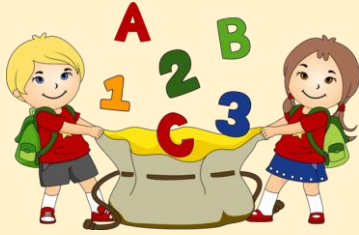
- ◆ Past and Present;
- ◆ People, Culture and Communities
- ◆ The Natural World

Expressive Arts and Design

- ◆ Creating with Materials
- ◆ Being Imaginative and Expressive



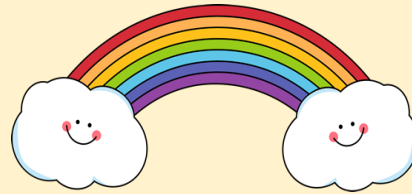
The focus is an learning through play and activity that builds a firm foundation for the Key Stage One Curriculum that starts in Year One.



Direct teaching

Group and class sessions to introduce key learning.

Reception Learning



Rainbow Challenges

Opportunities to practise and consolidate learning



Continuous Provision

The resources and areas in the classroom and orchard to provoke learning through play and exploration





Miss Blake is just completing her training so we will be launching our own Forest School experiences during autumn term.
Please look out for further information.



A Typical Day



Snack time



Fruit is provided
through the Fruit for
Schools Scheme.



Milk is also available.
Free while under five and
then can be purchased.



Drinks



- Please supply your child with a small plastic bottle, with their name on,
- As the children are free to drink throughout the day please only put **water** in the bottles (no squashy).
- Water bottles are stored on the table in the orchard, to avoid spillages in the classroom and allow for easy collection at the end of the day.





Lunch time



- All children are entitled to a school dinner through the universal free school meals for primary school pupils (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2).
- School dinners need to be ordered via the payments option in ParentMail.
- School dinners are served in the hall in the main building. If you choose to provide your own packed lunch, please keep it healthy. Chocolate bars, fizzy drinks, cans, glass bottles or hot soup are not allowed.
- If you are eligible for free school meals (details in the welcome pack) please still register as this will raise extra funds for the school.

What will they need?



School Uniform

- White shirt, blouse or polo shirt
- Royal blue sweatshirt, pullover or cardigan, with or without logo
- Grey trousers/shorts or skirts or skorts
- Grey, black or white socks/ tights
- Black, brown or navy flat shoes (no open toed shoes or trainers)
- In summer, a blue checked or striped summer dress

Our School outfitters are: **Brigade Clothing** at www.brigade.uk.com/parents.

We also have second hand uniform

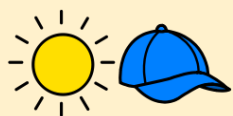
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What will they need?



Book bag...

No backpack as we are short of space and reading books get damaged.



Sun hat...



Coat...

important for lunch time and when using the outdoor early years area.



Sun cream...



Wellington Boots...

that can be kept in school so we can venture outside even when the ground is wet.

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Wraparound



Breakfast Club

Breakfast club runs from 8am every morning.

Please book in through the school office.

Wraparound with Fitt-4-Kids

Wrap around runs everyday from the end of the school day to 6pm.

- Sessions are bookable
- Monday to Friday from 3:30-4:30pm, 4.30-5:30pm and from 3:30pm-6:00pm via the school clubs booking page at:

www.fitt4kids.org.uk/





Supporting at home



Read, Talk and Play together

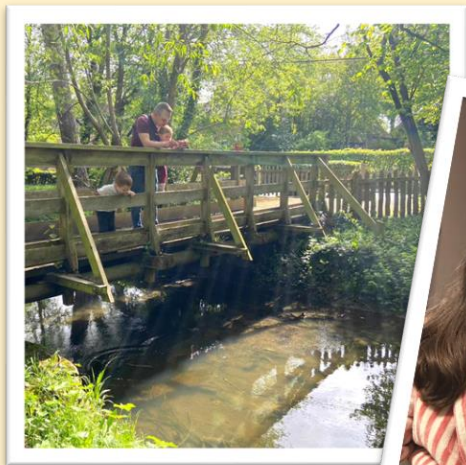
Weekly activities will be posted on Tapestry on a Monday.

The activities focus on three areas

Read - sharing a book, text, song or rhyme together.

Talk - a focus question or topic to talk about

Play - an activity to share and explore together.



Other important information



Attendance

Establishing a good attendance habit is crucial for future achievements and successes, and is a safeguarding issue which will be followed up. However if our child is unwell and unable to attend school please ring the office by 9.30 am in the morning

Hair and jewellery

Please make sure all long hair is tied back.

No jewellery.

No nail varnish please.



We aim to work in partnership with parents to ensure the best education for all children.

To achieve this, it is important to establish and maintain good communication between home and school.

This can be through:-

Quick chats in a morning or an afternoon

Weekly school newsletters and reminders are sent directly to you by e-mail.

Half termly class newsletter

School website (www.shotterystandnewsprimary.org.uk)

Parents evenings and open evenings

Arranged times

Reading Records - Please add your comments and sign

Parent information meetings

Tapestry and Dojo



If there is a problem or you are unsure about something please let us know by either ringing, emailing or speaking to us in person.

Preparing your child for the start of term



I am practically ready

I am ready to communicate

I am physically ready

I am socially ready

I am emotionally ready

**Ready
for
School**

Being 'school ready' isn't just about being able to hold a pencil correctly. It starts by enabling your child to be as independent as possible.



- I am confident being away from my mummy, daddy or main carer
- I am able to identify how I feel and share it with others
- I am willing to have a go at new activities
- I keep trying when I find things difficult
- I know who to ask for help if I'm unsure



- I am able to share with others
- I am able to take turns
- I am good at making friends with others
- I enjoy interacting and playing with others



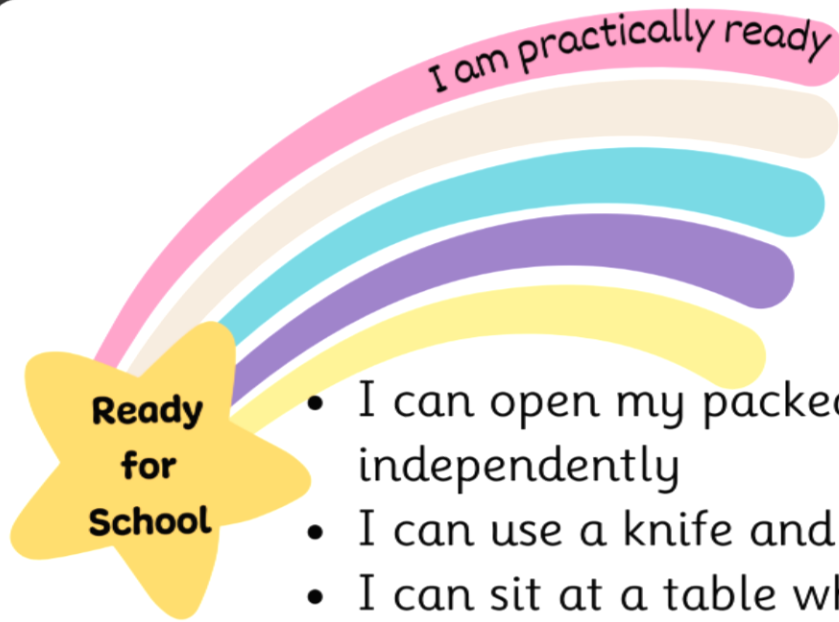
- I am able to use the toilet independently
- I can wash my hands
- I can get dressed and undressed
- I can move around confidently (walk, run, jump)
- I have good muscle control in my arms, hands and fingers
- I have good balance
- I am confident within climbing, jumping, and running



I am ready to communicate

**Ready
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- I am able to sit and listen for a short while
- I can follow instructions
- I am understood when I talk
- I am able to talk about myself, my thoughts and feelings
- I enjoy interacting with others
- I enjoy sharing stories



- I can open my packed lunch box and eat independently
- I can use a knife and fork
- I can sit at a table when I eat
- I have practised getting my uniform on and being ready to leave on time
- I have a good bedtime routine so I get enough sleep
- I am making sure I have breakfast before I leave for school

If there is anything that would be helpful for us to know, please inform us via the school office. Thank you. (admin3057@welearn365.com or 01789 551508)

Getting to know your child



Hello my name is

I like to be called

My favourite activity is_



My family



I like _

My favourite story is_



My favourite game is_



My pets



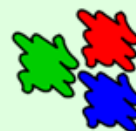
My favourite toy is_



Fruits that I like are_



My favourite colour is_



I use my

right hand

left hand



both

My favourite TV program
is_



I don't like _

When I start school I may need help with_



At school I am looking forward to_



When I'm feeling sad it helps if_





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!

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.

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!



Induction Day: Friday 4th July 9.30 - 11.30am

Friday 4th July Summer Fayre in the playground from 3pm



Storytime: Tuesday 2nd September at 3.00pm

First day at school Wednesday 3rd September

8.40 am - 3.20 pm

We look forward to welcoming you and your child fully into our school community in
September.



Please join us for story time
on
Tuesday 2nd September
at 3pm
in the Hedgehog's classroom

