

# St Mary's C of E Primary School

## Hedgehog Class Weekly Newsletter Friday 9th September 2022

Dear Families,

I am so proud of how the children have settled into their first week in Hedgehog class. They have been absolute superstars, getting used to new routines and increased formal learning. The Hedgehogs are still getting used to all working independently at our tables as a whole class and we are taking it in small and manageable steps - they are doing great!



This week we have created our class charter together, with our rights and associated responsibilities. As a whole class we have also agreed on how we sit on the carpet, how we engage in partner talk and how we keep our classroom tidy. We have all received a class job and are very excited about it!

In Maths we are learning about place value and have been representing numbers to 20 in different ways. We are also learning to count objects to 100 by making groups of 10. Next we will start to recognise 10s and 1s.

In English we have been reading 'Little Hedgehog's big day' and have been writing sentences with full stops, finger spaces and capital letters. We will be creating balanced arguments and think of reasons for and against him coming to school. Next week we will write a letter to him to convince him to come to school.



Our Science topic for the term is 'Healthy me' and in Geography we will be learning all about seasons.

Homework will be posted on a Thursday on Google Classroom. They will have weekly spellings to practice at home as well as maths timetables and KIRFs (Key instant recall facts for maths). They will also

have weekly handwriting practice, which they will be able to access online, details to follow.

We are resuming Read Write Inc. next week and reading books will be sent out. We will also be making weekly visits to the school library to choose a 'reading for pleasure' book which will also be going home. RWI books should be read independently and reading for pleasure books can be read together. Please continue to read with yourself every day and make a note in their reading records.

Thank you for volunteering to come and help out in class! Mrs Quinn will be in touch next week with next steps to get you DBS checked and prepared. I'm so excited to have you in class with us!

### **Reminders of the week:**

- Please can you ensure that your child has **belongings labelled**, such as clothing and water bottles.
- Children need to arrive in **PE kits on Wednesday and Thursday** each week.
- Please use the same LGFL login details they had last year to **join Google Classroom** - if you click on <https://classroom.google.com/> you should see an invite to join Hedgehog 2022 - 2023. I will make sure the login details are in the front of their reading records. Here is also an invitation link if you cannot see the class: <https://classroom.google.com/c/NTI3MzU5OTI5NDk3?cjc=zi6pdso>
- **Please ensure that RWI reading books, reading records as well as library books come to school in a book bag every day.**

Please come and speak to me if you have any questions or queries. My email address is [sreeve@stmarys.rbksch.org](mailto:sreeve@stmarys.rbksch.org) if you want to contact me after hours.

In our morning feelings check-in a lot of children chose the tired face on Thursday - what a shock to the system to have a full week back at school after such a long and lovely summer. Tired and happy at the end of the first week is a good sign :-)

I've added some photos of our first week for your enjoyment. Have a lovely weekend and I look forward to seeing the children next week!

Mrs Reeve





