

Sigglesthorne Church of England Primary Academy

EYFS parent and carer welcome letter.



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Team Hedgehog!

We are delighted to welcome you and your child to our Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) family. Starting school is an exciting milestone, and we are so looking forward to continuing their journey as they play, learn and grow with us.

Our Learning Environment

In EYFS, we follow the Early Years Foundation Stage framework, which focuses on learning through play, exploration, and active discovery. Your child will have access to both our indoor and outdoor environments throughout the day, so please ensure they come dressed in comfortable, weather-appropriate clothing.

Key Information & Daily Essentials

Please ensure your child brings the following items to school every day, clearly labeled with their full name:

- **Water Bottle:** Filled with plain water.
- **Book Bag:** For letters, home learning, and reading books.
- **Change of Clothes:** A spare set of clothes (including underwear and socks) in case of messy play or accidents. These need to be in a small bag.
- **Weather Gear:** A waterproof coat and wellies for wet days or a sun hat and pre-applied sun cream in warmer weather. Children are welcome to leave their wellies in school.
- **Celebration Worship:** We hold a celebration assembly each Friday at 9:00am. This is an opportunity to come into school and celebrate the children's in school achievements. The children are also invited to share their out of school achievements. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please drop your child off as normal and then enter through the office.
- **Library:** Every week the children will have the opportunity to bring home a library book. Please return the book the following week.
- **Forest School:** Each Wednesday the children will attend Forest School. We have a small number of waterproof suits but if you have one that your child could use we would really appreciate it. The children will need a pair of wellies in school all week.

- **Tuck Shop:** Each Friday the School Council organises a tuck shop and sells a range of snacks each week. Each item is priced at 50p. The children are welcome to buy a snack.

Home & School Partnership

We strongly believe that a strong partnership between parents and staff is key to your child's happiness and success.

- **Digital Learning Journal:** We use Tapestry to share updates, photos, and milestones.
- **Pick-up:** Doors open at 3:30pm, please wait by the small green gate. If another adult is collecting your child please let staff know in advance. We will only let children go to the adults that we know.

We Are Here to Help

If you ever have any questions, worries, or simply want to share how your child is settling in, please don't hesitate to speak to us. Please see the EYFS team as your first point of contact.

We look forward to a wonderful year ahead filled with fun, learning, and exciting new adventures!

Warmest regards,

Mrs Wrightson.