

How can you help your child settle?

Most of all-be excited about your child starting school. There are a few other things you can do over the Summer to help them too:

- Encourage your child to get dressed by themselves-they'll need to do this for PE later in the year.
- Teach your child how to do their coat up.
- Encourage your child to eat with a knife and fork-they'll be doing this at dinner time.
- Make sure your child can use the toilet by themselves.
- Name everything.

Communication

Each half term, we send out a newsletter to keep you up to date with what we're doing. At the end of each half term we invite parents to share our learning. If you have any queries or concerns you can speak to any member of the team and we'll do our best to help. You can email Mrs Davy at v.davy@sheerhatchprimary.org.uk or ask questions via our Facebook Group. Please upload photos and observations to Tapestry (login in details will be sent to you)

General or urgent queries should be addressed to the office via phone or office@sheerhatchprimary.org.uk



Welcome to Squirrels!



Mrs Davy



Mrs Pozella



Miss McTernan



Miss Worth

Daily routine

The children come into the classroom by 9:00. They hang up their coats and put their bookbags in the box. They find their photo and put it on the self-registration ten frames. They get a board and pen to start the morning challenge.

9:00 register and Activate- a daily session to get us moving.

9:20 Literacy or Maths learning, followed by group activities and child initiated learning

10:00 Phonics session

10:25 Playtime

10:40 Milk

11:00 Group activities and child initiated learning

12:00 Lunchtime

1:00 Register and Activate

1:15 Afternoon learning

2:30 Fruit play-please send in a named portion of fruit or veg each day

2:45 Maths fluency, story and song time

3:15 home time

PE

We do PE on Thursdays with Miss McTernan. Children will change into PE kits for this session. Kits will stay in school for the whole half term and will come home to wash in the holidays. At this time, please check that everything still fits!

Learning Logs

Learning logs are the way we do our homework. Each week the book will come home with a challenge to complete. We share the learning logs on a Wednesday. Some of the activities are done in the book while others might ask the child to take part in an activity or make a model. Please help your child by making sure they're using the right page in their book and encouraging them to take pride in their work. More details are included in the book.

Reading

Daily Phonics teaching will start early in the school year. We regularly assess your child to see how they are learning-what sounds they recognise & how well they can put sounds together to hear and say words. When they're ready they'll bring books home. Initially these may not have any words. Please look through these books with your child and ask them to tell you the story and what they notice.