Achieving, Caring, Enjoying

Dear Parents and Carers, Wednesday 7 October 2026

## Fundamentals Workshops

We are delighted to invite you to our forthcoming Fundamentals Workshops, designed to support parents and carers in understanding the key skills children are developing in school and how these can be supported at home.

The workshops are an opportunity to strengthen the partnership between home and school, share practical ideas and strategies for home learning, and help parents and carers feel confident in supporting their child's learning and development.

We will be holding two workshops, with the content tailored to the different stages of learning:

### Reception and Key Stage 1 Workshop

Tuesday 3 November at 3.45pm
Hedgehogs Classroom

This workshop will focus on the fundamental skills that provide the foundations for children's learning, with a particular focus on phonics, early reading, spelling and homework.

What we will be looking at:

- Ideas for making learning fun, enjoyable and engaging.
- How to support phonics and reading practice at home.
- How our ELS phonics scheme works.
- The importance of reading regularly at home.
- The importance of completing homework and developing positive learning habits.
- Practical ways parents and carers can support their child's confidence and independence.

Miss Booth will be holding a separate Maths fundamentals workshop later in the term.

### Key Stage 2 Workshop

Wednesday 4 November at 3.45pm
Badgers Classroom

Our Key Stage 2 workshop will focus on the fundamental skills children need as they progress through school, including reading, spelling, writing, homework and independent learning.

What we will be looking at:

- How we develop reading fluency, comprehension and a love of reading.
- Strategies for supporting spelling and vocabulary at home.

- Practical strategies for practising times tables at home in a fun and engaging way.
- Practical ideas for supporting learning at home without it becoming stressful.
- How to encourage children to become independent and confident learners.

Both workshops are intended to be friendly, informal and supportive. They are not about adding pressure to families, but about sharing practical approaches that can make a positive difference to children's learning and confidence.

We recognise that every family is different and that home learning can sometimes feel challenging. Our aim is to provide you with useful information, practical ideas and reassurance, while strengthening the relationship between home and school.

We appreciate that not everyone will be able to attend. If you are unable to join us, please do not worry. Any information or resources shared during the workshops will be made available afterwards so that everyone has the opportunity to access the information and support their child.

Please complete and return the slip below by Monday 19 October, to let us know which workshop you would like to attend.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and partnership. We really value the important role that you play in your child's learning, and we look forward to working together to support them.

Yours sincerely,



Michelle Clark
Headteacher

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**FUNDAMENTALS WORKSHOPS – RETURN SLIP**

Child/ren's name: _____

Please tick workshops you would like to attend:

☐ Reception & Key Stage 1 Workshop: Tuesday 3 November at 3.45pm

☐ Key Stage 2 Workshop: Wednesday 4 November at 3.45pm

☐ I am unable to attend either workshop but would like to receive the information/resources afterwards.

Parent/Carer name: _____

**Please return this slip by Monday 19 October**