



Meet the **TEACHER** A LITTLE ABOUT YOUR TEACHER



Mrs Duff - I am really looking forward to teaching Hedgehogs class this year. Here is a little bit about me. I have been teaching in Bentley for 3 years now and before that I worked in outdoor education. I am the science lead in both Bentley and Copdock schools and I love working practically to investigate the world around us. Aside from this, I also love art and enjoy creating things in my spare time. I keep busy being involved in my local church and spending time with my family. You may have noticed already; my husband, Ben, and I are expecting a baby (our first) in December.

Mrs Hicks Mrs Hicks is the dedicated Teaching Assistant in Hedgehogs class. She specialises in PE teaching and goes swimming with the children each Monday. Mrs Hicks has been working in Bentley and Copdock for 12 years now. She loves gardening, reading and enjoys being involved in her local church and community.

A TYPICAL DAY IN HEDGEHOGS CLASS

8:45 – 9:00 Morning activity

9:00 – 9:30 Guided reading

9:30 -10:30 Literacy

10:30 -10:45 Assembly

10:45 -11:00 Playtime

11:00 – 12:00 Maths

12:00 – 1:00 Lunchtime

1:00 – 3:00 Afternoon sessions

The afternoon changes each day. Often it is something science, creative or topic based.

3:00 – 3:15 Story time



HOMEWORK

Each Monday the children in hedgehogs will receive homework to complete for the following Monday. Homework will include:

- **10 Spellings** - 8 of these will have a particular spelling pattern, 2 of these will be from the year 3 and 4 spelling list. The children are always set their weekly spellings on spelling shed.
- **5 reads** – The children are encouraged to record their own reads in their log books. To get a sticker on the reading challenge chart, the log book page will need to be signed by a parent.
- **English or Maths homework** – Each week the children will either receive an English focused piece of work which could be grammar or guided reading, or a maths focused piece of work.
- **Times tables** – There is a huge focus on times tables in year 3 and 4. The children are all signed up for times table rock stars to help with this.

EACH WEEK

Keep checking the children's log books as we update these each week with dates for the week ahead.

P.E. will take place each Wednesday afternoon.

Swimming is every Monday afternoon for the Autumn and Spring term.

Homework and spellings are given out on a Monday and tested the next Monday..