



Stedham Primary School

Known, valued and encouraged.

PROSPECTUS 2026-27

A very warm welcome to Stedham Primary School.



As a small village school at the heart of our community, we are incredibly proud of the nurturing, family atmosphere that makes Stedham such a special place. Our size is one of our greatest strengths, allowing us to know and value every child as an individual. Every pupil is encouraged to flourish, develop confidence, and achieve their full potential.

At Stedham, we are committed to supporting children not only in their academic learning but also in their personal, social and emotional development. We believe that happy, confident children are successful learners, and we strive to ensure that every child feels safe, valued and supported.

Our bespoke approach enables us to tailor learning and care to each child's needs. By building strong relationships with pupils and their families, we create a genuine sense of belonging where everyone is known, understood and encouraged to achieve their very best.

Through our carefully tailored approach, we aim to inspire a lifelong love of learning, helping every child discover their strengths and talents. Our caring community, dedicated staff and strong family ethos ensure that children are given the confidence and opportunities they need to thrive.

We look forward to welcoming you to our school and sharing all that makes Stedham Primary School such a unique and special place.

Mr Tidey

Headteacher

Equipping today; empowering tomorrow

At Stedham Primary School, we equip every child today with the confidence, knowledge and values to thrive, while empowering them with the skills, resilience and curiosity they need to shape tomorrow. Through a nurturing and ambitious environment, we inspire lifelong learners who are ready to make a positive difference in the world.



Challenge

A desire to learn and improve, thinking and acting for yourself, making your own choices.

Commitment

Enthusiasm, wanting to achieve and get better, being reflective, encouraging others, endurance.

Creativity

Being inventive and original, imagination, resourcefulness, adapting, thinking around a problem.

Courtesy

Polite, manners, respect, care.

Consideration

Behaving sensibly, being accountable, reliability, trust, truth, seeing things through, setting a good example.

Collaboration

Working together, teamwork, supportive criticism, helping one another, achieving goals together.

We also promote the five British Values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect and tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs throughout school life.

From Breakfast Club to home time



Early Morning Club	8.00–8.45am
School starts	9am (classes open from 8.45am)
Morning break	10.30–10.45am
Lunchtime	12–1pm
School ends	3.30pm
After School Club	3.30–5pm

The total time a child will attend school during a typical week is 32.5 hours. The school gate is locked at 9.00am; please use the buzzer if you arrive later.

Mornings

Reading, writing, maths and phonics in three small classes named after the animals in the woods around us: Rabbits (Reception and Year 1), Hedgehogs (Year 2 and 3) and Foxes (Year 5 and 6).

Afternoons

Foundation subjects taught in two groups, with each year built around six whole-school topics so children of different ages learn alongside one another.

Breakfast Club

8:00am to 8:45am, £3.00. A welcoming and positive start to the school day, run in-house by our own Stedham team.

After School Club

3:30pm to 5:00pm, £5.00. A safe, engaging and enjoyable environment at the end of the day, with fun activities and time to socialise.

Ambitious, thoughtfully sequenced, full of curiosity

Our curriculum is thoughtfully sequenced and ambitious, enabling children to build strong knowledge, rich vocabulary and understanding over time. Guided by our values, we challenge pupils to think deeply, make connections and grow in confidence, so they are well prepared for the next stage of their learning and for life beyond our school.



Reading opens windows and mirrors

Windows onto other worlds, experiences and ideas; mirrors so children can see themselves, their values and their place in the world. Our reading curriculum aims to develop confident, fluent readers who read with understanding, enjoy a rich variety of texts, and carry a lifelong love of reading.

Phonics with Bug Club

We use Bug Club as our phonics scheme. With its engaging stories, interactive activities and carefully structured progression, Bug Club supports every child in building strong phonics knowledge while enjoying the excitement of reading.

Early Years

We are very fortunate to have a large indoor and outdoor area for our youngest children to play and learn in, reflecting the value we place on this vital foundational stage. Reception children learn in our Rabbits class, following Development Matters towards the Early Learning Goals.



BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Woods, common and a sports ground five minutes away

As well as our four classrooms and large Early Years outdoor area, there is hard-surfaced play space and common land for the children to use in dry weather. Less than five minutes' walk away is a superb village sports ground, used for sports day, our annual football tournament and after-school clubs.

Clubs and sport

Our sports clubs give children an exciting, worthwhile and enjoyable extracurricular experience, and our PE and Sport Premium helps every pupil take part in regular physical activity and competitive sport.

Wrap-around care

Breakfast Club from 8:00am and After School Club until 5:00pm, both run in-house by our own dedicated Stedham team and open to all families.

FOSS, our PTA

Friends of Stedham School is our extremely active PTA and every parent is a member. FOSS has funded transport for visits, classroom and playground equipment and trips to the pantomime, CASS Sculpture Park and Petworth House.

Visits and visitors

Through the year we welcome the police, war veterans, the fire brigade and leaders of different faiths, and we go out to places of worship and locality events such as Vote for Me Day.

Come and see us

We always welcome visits from prospective families and encourage you to arrange a tour of the school. Places at Stedham are allocated by the West Sussex Admissions Team; here is how it works.

- 1 Visit us.** Book a tour online or ring the office on 01730 813522. If you live outside the catchment area, let us know you are applying.
- 2 Apply to West Sussex.** West Sussex Pupil Admissions Team: 033 301 42903, admissions.south@westsussex.gov.uk. We accept applications from West Sussex and the surrounding counties.
- 3 Reception intake.** The application window for the following September is announced during the Autumn term. Dates and deadlines are in our Admissions Policy 2026–2027.
- 4 Joining during the year.** Places in all year groups are often available throughout the year. Contact the school for an informal discussion.



Scan to book a tour
stedhamprimary.co.uk/join



Uniform

Royal blue sweatshirts, cardigans, polo shirts, PE t-shirts and fleeces with the school logo, bookbags and PE bags are ordered online from our supplier, Brigade. Please name every item, including coats.

Additional needs

Our SENDCO, Miss Lucy Richardson, will be happy to talk to you via the school office. The entire school site can be accessed by wheelchair users.



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We are in School Lane in the village of Stedham, just west of Midhurst off the A272. Please park with consideration for our neighbours in School Lane. Visitors should report to the school office.

Part of the Weald and Downland Schools Federation with Harting C of E Primary School.



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