

Reading at Sharps Copse Primary School

Our intent at Sharps Copse Primary is to inspire a love of stories and books, laying the foundations for every child to become a confident, curious & enthusiastic reader with a lifelong love of reading.

At Sharps Copse, we place reading and books at the heart of our curriculum – reading is embedded across all areas of learning and is celebrated throughout the school. We believe that being able to read well is an essential life skill for children and that reading opens doors to imagination, knowledge and empathy. Our classrooms foster a reading rich environment and ensure that children read both within & beyond reading lessons, where they can read for a range of purposes: for practice, for meaning and for pleasure. Teachers model enthusiastic reading, encouraging pupils to see themselves as readers. We provide carefully sequenced activities, for children to develop phonics, fluency, vocabulary and comprehension skills. We provide a language-rich environment where children are immersed in high-quality texts, storytelling and meaningful conversations

We aim for children to leave our school as fluent readers who can access the wider curriculum and the world beyond school. We aim for our pupils to be motivated, independent readers who choose to read for pleasure, purpose and understanding.