

Acorn Class Autumn 2023

Welcome to Acorn Class!

I hope that you had a lovely summer and are ready for the exciting year ahead! We already have so many plans for things that we want to do, explore and learn! We have had a fabulous first few days, getting to know each other and our environment and both year groups are already playing and learning together. Just a reminder that we love to share your child's learning adventures with you, so please share any news with us, we are already looking forward to sharing some of our learning adventures in school with you! Starting a new school at any age is a big adventure for families, if you have any questions please always ask us!

General Information and Timetable

Mrs Pawson is the Class teacher and **Key Person** for all children. Mrs Buggy, Mrs Clemmett, Mrs Ferneley and Mrs Staveley are our teaching assistants who support us at different times during the week.

Children need a drink bottle (**water only**) every day. We also have milk and a snack in class during the morning.

Children need a warm/dry coat and gloves or sun hat depending on the weather, we spend a lot of time outside! We need a pair of welly boots and trainers for working outside to stay at school.

It is really important to clearly name your child's clothes, especially our jumpers!

To help us look after our things we would ask families to keep bags small and to a minimum.

Monday

P.E kits in school (small bags containing **only** our PE kits as this will help us to get changed quickly).

Wednesday

School phonetic reading books come home to share and celebrate (more information to follow- please attend the meeting 13/9/23 5pm).

Music in the afternoon with Mrs Harris and PE with Mrs Staveley. We will come home in our PE kit, please return this on Monday.

Friday

All School phonic reading books returned to school in the morning.

Reading for pleasure books returned to school so that we choose new reading for pleasure book to bring home and share if we want to.

Need to contact us...

admin@kirkbymalzeard.n-yorks.sch.uk for any general enquiries or any out of school hours correspondence.

gpawson@kirkby.malzeard.n-yorks.sch.uk for class teacher questions; 8am – 5.30pm only. Collection arrangements to be emailed as soon as possible with the subject line 'collection arrangements'.

School Bus: Please ensure you have provided the school office with an updated bus form via admin email. This can be found on the 'end of day collection arrangements' tab on the website.

Our communication and behaviour policies have been resent out to parents this week – please take time to read these, thank you.

Our golden thread this half term is

Confident Communicators

Be Creative

In Acorn Class we are starting the term by thinking about ourselves as learners, what it means to be part of our classroom and school community. We follow our passions and interests in our learning. Please see our EYFS Autumn term plan.

In Year One some areas we will cover this half term will include

- Maths: Counting and ordering numbers.
 - English writing: Narrative ('Handa's Surprise') and non-narrative ('Seasons')
 - PSED: Families and friendships.
 - Science: Animals including humans, working scientifically and seasonal changes
 - PE: Agility, balance and coordination.
 - Art: Portraits and drawing.
 - Computing: Online safety and effective searching.
 - Geography: Contrasting Kirkby Malzeard with Whitby.
 - History: Houses and homes, 'What was it like to live in Kirkby Malzeard in the past?'
 - RE: 'Who is Jewish and what do they believe?'
- As always, we will be reading all of the time...we are currently reading books about friendship.**

Communication

Diary dates for the term ahead can be found on the school website.

Our Twitter feed on the school website shows updates throughout the week of what we are getting up to in our learning.

An updates email is sent each week from admin with reminders of things parents need to know for the week ahead.

Any letters are always sent out by email; for ease, these are also uploaded to the letters section of the website for future reference.

There is a whole school news section on the front page of the website, which has articles added for parents. The latest articles will always appear at the top.