

Kirkby Malzeard CE School Newsletter

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Welcome back...

It has been a great half term at school!

We welcomed all of our parents and children into school on our open afternoon before the start of term. This gave everyone the chance to see the newly redecorated and refurbished classrooms completed during the holidays. The children loved to see all the changes that had happened over the holidays and have been enjoying their new classroom environments.

Residential



Our school year started with Cedar and Palm going on a residential trip. What an amazing time was had at Ingleborough Hall.

The children took part in activities designed to ensure they were confident communicators – celebrating our golden thread for the half term.

They took part in gorge scrambling, orienteering, a hill walk, a problem solving challenge, den building and archery.

It was amazing to see the confidence in themselves grow and the superb team work with both schools in the federation working so well together, with some great friendships formed that week.



National Poetry Day



We lost ourselves in National Poetry Day. It was a delight to hear the children share their poems and talk about why they like them - we thought about words and language and how important they are.

The children made some incredible observations about the poems shared, albeit humorous or thought-provoking.

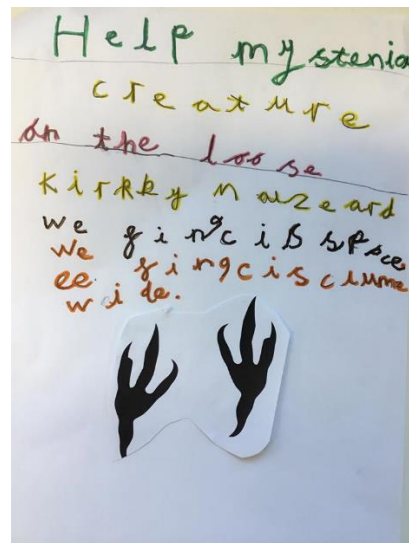
Palm class have started poetry journals, so that they can record any inspirational ideas they have for poems every day!

Mysterious creatures...

Strange and mysterious foot prints appeared in Oak class.

What could they be from? We needed help from the Natural History Museum to help us find out. Oak Class sent them descriptions to help us work out who had visited class...

Finally, we discovered it was a dodo – an extinct animal, which is why we didn't recognise it! Rufus and Billy shared some great animal fact books to help us find out more about different animals.



Mysterious creatures also hatched out in Palm class at the start of term where the children were excited to see how their dragons were doing. The eggs had been busy hatching over the summer holidays. On our return Palm class had to teach their dragons how things work at Kirkby - ensuring they know about the 3 Bs!



Reception Class

We have welcomed 15 new Reception children into school this term. It has been delightful to watch how well they have settled in to our school community. Please let friends and family know that places for Reception September 2022 are now open and we are holding an open morning for prospective parents on Friday 12th November at 9am.

Applications need to be submitted by January 15th: these are available on the school website.



Ancient Greece



Cedar class have been exploring the topic of Ancient Greece, looking into Greek gods and goddesses. They have researched what each god and goddess were represented by and what they were gods of. The children found this very interesting and produced some excellent facts and lovely drawings of their chosen god. We also finished our topic by having a tasting session of a variety of Greek food. We sampled olives, pitta bread, tzatziki, feta cheese, Greek yogurt and honey.

Daily Fitness

Now school is open fully, our commitment to staying fit and healthy continues. We exercise for 10 minutes twice a day to raise our fitness levels and the children love it!

Clubs

Our clubs have continued this term, with gardening club proving very popular! There has been a plentiful harvest including courgettes and potatoes. Come rain or shine the gardeners have been committed to nurturing our vegetable patch. We look forward to the return of this club in the spring term.

Sports Cool Rugby Club has been very well attended and has been a great addition to our line up and with some budding Rugby players in our midst.

Board Game Club is also becoming a firm favourite.

Booking forms for after half term are now available on the website. Have a lovely half term break!

Thank you for all the support and understanding this half term, during what has been a challenging return to school. This has been much appreciated by the staff.

We look forward to welcoming you back after half term.



Mrs Sarah Taylor
Head teacher