

Acorn Update: Friday 12th January 2024

Happy New Year to you all and many thanks for the lovely Christmas gifts and good wishes.

The children have all returned to school/nursery full of enthusiasm and happiness, seeing their friends and enjoying their learning.

Please take a look on the Acorn class page for information about this term, the link is below.

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On the class page (below the information about our new theme) is a document about *Routines and Expectations*, which you may find interesting to have a quick look at. Please note PE days have changed due to the children participating gymnastics and dance and the need to use the hall.

Our theme this half term is 'Where are they?'



This unit of work provides the opportunity to further explore the seasons. Children will focus on the changes that take place during winter and how those changes impact both the environment around us and animals in the UK. The children will explore different animal habitats and how they are adapted. Children will be introduced to some events that mark new beginnings such as Easter and the Lunar New Year.

This week all children in Reception have word bags, which is super. Please make sure the children bring their folders to school everyday (even if they have not read their words at home). WE can then support them during the school day to read the words and bring the next bag home (18 in total).

This week the children have enjoyed exploring the Wintery environment (finding Evergreen and Deciduous trees), mark making following winter patterns and playing in the winter tough tray. The children have continued their love of playing matching pairs games and have enjoyed finding numbers and representations from 0 to 5.



Number block zero has been a feature in Acorn this week – ask your child all about zero!



Mrs Benjamin will be in Acorn class on Monday morning as although I am in school, we are hosting a Maths Mastery workshop in another part of the school until lunchtime.

Have a good weekend and wrap up warm!

Ms Blake