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Key Diary Dates:

Monday 11th October - Wednesday 13th October - Year 5 Residential to Dukeshouse Wood.

Tuesday 12th October - School individual photos.

Thursday 22nd October - School breaks up for half term.

Monday 2nd November - School reopens.

Monday 22nd November - Flu immunisation for Reception - Year 6 (further info below)

Messages from Mrs Holmes:

A huge welcome back to all of our children and families! It is so wonderful to see all of the children returning to school and some new faces joining us too. Everyone has settled in brilliantly and we're all working incredibly hard.

We are hoping to be able to welcome parents into school as soon as possible to celebrate some of the hard work that has been going on.

Thank you to those of you who have been able to adhere to the timings set for collecting your children. We really appreciate your patience and will notify you of any changes. Your children will not be dismissed before their allocated time. And thank you to those parents who were able to follow the one way system. This is no longer in place however we do ask that wherever possible the Priory Grange entrance is used and the Albion Way exit is used.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Mrs Holmes and the Malvin's Team.

Whole School Messages:

Please visit our new school website for our most up to date information

<https://malvinclose.wiseacademies.co.uk/>

Remember to report your child's absence for each day that they are off school. This should be done by contacting the main school office on 01670354082.

Failure to report an absence will result in a home visit. All children should aim to have 100% attendance.

Children should not wear earrings for school under any circumstances

Parent Workshops

Our PSHE day this half-term is on the subject of mental health.

We would like to invite you to attend an **online parent session on Thursday 24th September at 1pm** to help support you by looking at any of your own mental health and this will in turn help you support your child's mental health and well-being.

The session is a safe space where you are all welcome and we will ensure mutual respect and care for each other.

To book a place please complete the form below, a link will be sent to the email address that you provide.

<https://forms.gle/oyppVbgrbmDfjQCV8>

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School Uniform

School uniforms can be ordered via Borders Embroideries, our school uniform suppliers.

The School office only has School ties, water bottles and school bags in stock, all other uniform items needs to be ordered online.

The school no longer take orders for uniform, all orders have to be placed via their website www.border-embroideries.co.uk/

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Flu immunisation - Reception to Year 6 children

Please check your emails as we have sent a letter regarding the Flu immunisation programme. Please read the letter below and click on the link to register and complete the consent form.

The school cannot accept any verbal consents and we do not have any paper consent forms this year. NO late applications will be accepted.

If you do have any issues with completing the form please contact the School School Immunisation Team on 0191 6432870, 0191 2979022 ,0191 2934285. Please do not contact the school office.

Welcome to the School Aged Immunisation Team. We are offering your child the opportunity to receive their Nasal Flu immunisation in school as part of the childhood immunisation programme.

To register your consent or non-consent for these immunisations please select the link below and follow the steps. Your school code is: **NCCE44F**

<https://links.inhealthcare.co.uk/nccfluimmunisation2021>

As part of the registration process you will be sent a verification code. If you do not recognise the contact details presented please select the "I do not recognise these contact details" option. You will be requested to enter your preferred contact details.

Further information can be found at:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/child-flu-vaccine/>

<https://www.northumbria.nhs.uk/our-services/childrens-services/immunisations/>

A user guide to help you register your consent or non-consent is available at:

<http://wp361.northumbria.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/ParentGuide.pdf>

Kind regards

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EYFS News:

Thank you to the parents/carers that joined us for the 'Stay n play' session last week - it was lovely to meet you all and to welcome our new children, and to welcome back those who were with us before the summer. We are so pleased with how well the children have settled back into school - you are all superstars! This week Reception took a vote on the inspirational person that they would like to learn about and the winner was... Dolly Parton! We will be listening to some of her music and exploring why she is an inspirational person. We can work together to find out some fabulous facts about Dolly!

KS1 News:

Mrs Rushworth and Miss Taylor are so pleased with how our new Year 1 children have settled in. This week we have been learning how to write a sentence in English and we all now know to include a capital letter, full stop and finger spaces. In Maths we have been representing numbers in different ways! Keep up the good work Year 1!

This week in Year 2 we have continued to learn all about instructions. We have enjoyed learning 'How to make a cloud' What amazing work we have produced so far. Why not ask your child to act out the instructions?

KS2 News:

KS2 have come back to school with a fantastic attitude. It is so lovely to see all the children looking so smart with their correct school uniform! We have been looking at place value in Maths and we have been introduced to our new texts in our English Lessons: Year 3 have been reading Billy and the Mipins and Year 4 are enjoying The Witches by Roald Dahl. In Year 5, the children have been reading Voices in the Park in preparation for writing 4 different viewpoints! In Year 6, the children are reading Pig Heart Boy. It's been a busy, busy week! So pleased to be back and settled, ready for an exciting Autumn Term!

E-safety Updates:

We continue to engage with the National Online Safety certificate which demonstrates our priority to keep our children safe and ensure they access games, websites and apps responsibly. To support us in achieving this year's certificate, we would appreciate parents/carers to enrol in a short 5 minute online course. The link to access the information is below:
<http://nationalonlinesafety.com/enrol/malvin-s-close-academy>



There is lots of information accessible on this website which may be helpful with new game and app updates.

Thank you in advance for completing the course.

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School Parliament:

Elections have taken place across the school, the votes have been counted and we have our School Parliament for 2021-22! Each class voted for their own Member of Parliament but our Prime Ministers were voted for by the whole school after watching their outstanding speeches! Here are the results:

Year 1 - Anabel and Lily
Year 2 - Ellie-Grace and Ashton
Year 3 - William and Sam
Year 4 - Sophie and Myla
Year 5 - Lilly and Jamie
Year 6 Prime Ministers - George and Matthew

Reading updates

Why not try a phonics lesson at home?

Year 1 - Red Words - Ditties (lesson 1)

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/XqXF1j9h/EtX8DRlz>

Year 1 - Read and hold a sentence (Green)

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/zRMGAYhe/VF0cMTRg>

Year 2 - Set 2 reading ay

<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/DOHOvT4u/tU1zmJ5L>

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<https://schools.ruthmiskin.com/training/view/XjsgWHCY/umCcPBuU>

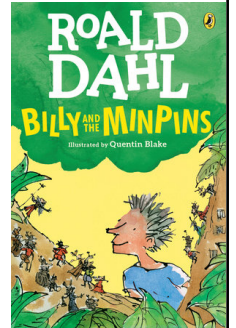
Don't forget to bring reading books and reading records in daily.

What we're reading at Malvin's:

In Year Three, we have started our new book this week. We are reading Billy and the Minpins by Roald Dahl! We have loved predicting what is going to happen in the story by just looking at the front cover and discussing how these predictions change as we read on!

A story for us all to enjoy together

The Ugly Five By: Julia Donaldson
Focus- Rhyme



Maths at Malvin's:

It has been lovely to see the children already getting stuck into maths these last two weeks and continuing to use concrete, pictorial and abstract resources to really deepen their learning. We have been revising some basic skills from the previous year and are now ready

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for some brand new learning.

Here's a fun game for you to try at home so your child notices that maths is everywhere: **Cutlery Challenge!** Challenge your child to make different shapes using their cutlery (for example you could use 3 spoons to make a triangle). Ask your child which shape they have made, how many angles it has and - for those further up the school - how many degrees in the angle?

PESSPA Updates:

Our Year 3 children took part in a 'Well-being festival' which was organised by Miss Alderslade from the Blyth and Bedlington School Sports Partnership. The children learned about the different ways they can keep active and look after their physical and mental health. They all had a fantastic afternoon, completing an orienteering activity, a scavenger hunt and some teamwork challenges.

Designated Safeguarding Team

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Meet the Staff (Safeguarding Team)

Mrs Ward – Executive Headteacher

I have been teaching for 32 years and started my career in the west end of Newcastle. During this time I have been a head teacher of 6 schools and now have the privilege of being the executive head teacher of Malvin's Close, Croftway and Morpeth Road Academies. My aim is to ensure that all children are given the very best education possible and that together our children thrive. As part of Wise Academies we will be able to increase our access to a range of services make our school the best they can possibly be. I look forward to September when we can restart our fabulous journey together again.

Mrs Holmes – Head of School

I have been teaching in primary schools for 14 years. I trained in Leeds and have taught across the North East since qualifying. I started teaching in Blyth at Croftway Academy and moved to Malvin's Close 4 years ago; I have been Head of School for nearly two years and I think I have the best job in the world!. My aim is to ensure that children at Malvin's are safe, happy and ready to learn. I work closely with the heads from Morpeth Road and Croftway to ensure we provide the best education possible for the children here in a supportive and nurturing environment. I want children to flourish and thrive meaning that they reach and exceed their potential!. I am a keen reader and will be sharing lots of reading initiatives next year; if anyone has any suggestions for me please tweet them to me! My hope for 2021-2022 is that soon, we will be able to invite adults back into schools so we can share some of the incredible learning and opportunities that are happening at Malvin's Close.

Mrs Stonebanks – Assistant Head of Key Stage 1

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I am Mrs Stonebanks and I am the Assistant Head of Key Stage One as well as a year two teacher. I have taught at Malvin's Close for eight years. I have taught both in Key Stage 1 and Early Years. I am the reading lead in school and love to combine my passion for reading and art. It's my aim for all children in school to love reading as much as I do. We will be planning lots of exciting opportunities for children and families to engage with reading in and out of school next year so watch this space.

Mrs Campbell- Assistant Head of Key Stage 2

Hello Everyone! I am Mrs Campbell and I am the Assistant Head of Key Stage Two as well as a Year 5 teacher. I have been teaching at Malvin's Close for nearly 10 years now and I have taught in all the year groups. I currently work in Year 5 but I love to pop into all the KS2 classes to see what everyone is up to! I love reading and I also love STEM! I hope you and your family will engage with all our lovely STEM projects which we have planned for this year!

Mrs Quinn SENDCo

I've been teaching in schools for 18 years in both Primary and Secondary Education. I have been the SENCo and a Designated Safeguarding Lead at Malvin's Close since joining in 2012 and I absolutely love my job! My main role is to make sure that you are safe and if you are finding school tricky at times, I'm here to see how we can make it better for you. So, if you need some extra help, a quiet space to work or just want to talk about your worries, I am always here to help. I am really looking forward to the start of another new fantastic year at Malvin's Close and I can't wait to see all your lovely faces around school!

Miss Caverner - E-safety Lead

Hello, I am Miss Caverner and I am so excited to be teaching in Year 4 this year. I have taught at Malvin's Close for the past four years across Year 4, 5 and 6. I am also the Computing Lead and E-Safety Officer so any computing questions send them my way. I absolutely love teaching in Key Stage Two and we have lots of exciting things planned for the year. I can't wait to meet you all around school.

Miss Felgate Family Lead

Hello, I am Lesley Felgate, I have worked at Malvin's Close for 15 years. I started my time at Malvin's Close as Teaching assistant in Year 3, I was then lucky enough to progress to the role of Family Support in 2012.

I find my role very rewarding. I enjoy every minute of my job. If you ever need support with any worries or concerns, please speak to me. I look forward to seeing each and every one of you and your families.