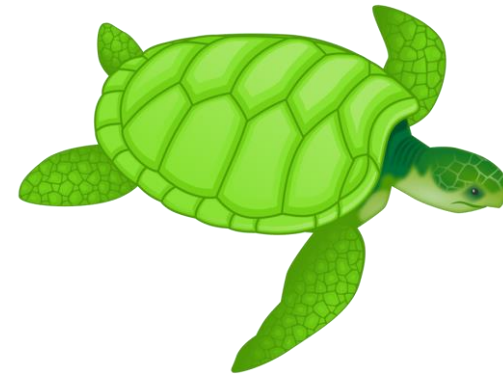




Welcome to Sea Turtles Class!



Autumn Term 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Sea Turtles Class! We hope you've had a great summer. The children have had a fantastic start at Buxton and are beginning to settle in well, supported by our super team:

**Mrs Miller (class teacher Mon-Wed)** - Hi! I have two children, Chester who is three years old and Sophie who is ten months old. I also have two Bengal cats called Hercules and Maximus. I enjoy taking our boat out along the Norfolk Broads and spending time with my friends and family.

**Mrs Poynton (class teacher Wed- Fri)** - I love teaching and can't wait to get to know our new Sea Turtles. I have twins who are three called Nancy and Eli and I enjoy spending time at the beach and playing in the woods with my family. I also enjoy growing flowers and vegetables in my garden.

**Mrs Williams (Teaching assistant Mon-Wed)** - I love working at Buxton School and I used to come here when I was a little girl. I have two dogs, Ace and Barnie and two rabbits called Elvis and Binky.

**Miss Gower (Teaching assistant Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri)** - I love having fun and being creative with the children in our class. I enjoy spending time with my family and friends.

### Sea Turtles Class Targets Autumn Term 2019

#### Physical Development

To dress for PE independently. To use the toilet and wash own hands.

#### Communication and Language

To listen to others and follow simple instructions. To ask for help from an adult when needed.

#### Personal, Social, Emotional

To play in a group and work co-operatively with their peers.

#### Numeracy

To match numerals and quantity correctly and count to at least 20.

#### Writing

To give meaning to marks as they draw, write and paint.

#### Reading

To listen to stories with increased attention.

#### Reading

The children will begin to take a reading book home from next week. Please ensure your child brings their book bag in every day and books will be changed on a Friday. We will be offering a phonics workshop for parents/carers this term to help you support your child at home.

#### Writing

We will be supporting the children to enjoy mark making across all areas of learning and to develop a good pencil grip and control. We teach the cursive script and will send home some resources to support this in the coming weeks.

#### PE

Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school at all times and that **ALL** items are **clearly labelled**. Our PE days are **Tuesday and Thursday**. Please ensure your child has their hair tied back, if long, and earrings removed on these days. We send home PE kits every half term to be washed. Please also include some spare pants/clothes in PE kits.

#### Drinks, snacks and lunch

The children need to bring in their named water bottle every day and the school policy is water only please. They are offered fruit, milk and bread for snacks. We will let you know if your child has not eaten much lunch or if they have not enjoyed the option they have chosen.

#### Bags

As space in the cloakroom is limited the children only need to bring in a book bag each day. Once they start to bring in winter clothes there is no space for additional bags.

We have enclosed the topic web for this term to show some of the things the children will be learning. Early Years focuses very much on child-initiated learning and all our topics are led by the children's interests.

Many thanks for your support and we are very excited for a fun-filled, busy year ahead. Please come and see a member of our team with any questions or concerns.

*Mrs Poynton and Mrs Miller*