



NEWSLETTER

1ST DECEMBER 2023

WELCOME

We have been talking about Road Safety over the last few weeks and have been encouraging children to continue these conversations at home. Please talk to your children about this on their route to school and encourage them to act safely when they are out and about. Please also remember that our children are still very young and they are not to be out and about on bikes late in to the evening on our busy roads. We are as concerned as you are about the safety of our children.

Thank you to our parents on Berry Avenue for mentioning and reporting the dog fouling seen on the pavements. Please take a moment to report incidents such as these to the council using [this link](#). The more of us reporting this, the more likely action will be taken. Thank you.

Thank you to Captain Mark Scoulding for coming to give our children an assembly this week on Advent. Next week, we have Rabbi Aaron Goldstein coming to talk to our children about Hanukkah. We are so grateful for our community links.

We would like to welcome to Amina Waheed to our staff team. Amina has joined us as a Teaching Assistant and will be working in our Nursery.

We will also be welcoming two new teachers to our team in January, one will be very familiar to our community...Emma Hill will be returning to Cherry Tree along with Poppy Davies. Poppy is another experienced teacher and we are very much looking forward to working with them both.

Please have a careful look at our events coming up over the festive period and come along to see your children shine. They are all performing and would love to show you their talents and we would love to feel your support.

Lastly, don't forget to come along to our Christmas Fair this evening, there are lots of activities and treats to enjoy between 3:15 - 5pm. See you there!

Cheska Tyler
Headteacher

We are kind, we aim high, we are brave!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Tuesday 5th December - Year 5 trip to British Museum
- Wednesday 6th December - Friends Winter Disco
- Thursday 7th December - Christmas Jumper Day
- Wednesday 13th of December 9.30am and 2pm - Nursery & Reception Nativity
- Tuesday 19th of December - Christmas Lunch
- Wednesday 20th December - Last Day of Term (Finish 1.30pm)
- Thursday 4th January 2024 - First Day of Spring Term
- Friday 5th January - Year 6 trip to Nutcracker Ballet
- Tuesday 16th & Wednesday 17th January - parents Evening
- Thursday 25th January - Individual & Family Group photos

IT'S BEHIND YOU

Our Nursery and Reception children demonstrated how to get in the holiday spirit when they welcomed Chaplins, the UK's leading touring children's Pantomime company, to Cherry Tree turning our school hall into a fabulous theatre for 75 minutes of festive fun.



From Happy Town all the way to Treasure Island itself the children were taken on a wild ride filled laughter, music and lots of booing and cheering!

This was the perfect way to start the festive season and we are grateful to parents for helping us to offer this wonderful experience to our children.

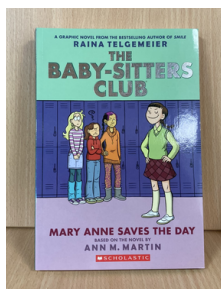
EYFS STAY AND PLAY

EYFS had their first Stay and Play sessions last week, which focused on Communication and Language. It was lovely to see so many parents enjoying activities with their children. Thank you to everyone who joined us.

READING CORNER

Hello everyone,

We are very excited to share some of the books that we have recently purchased for the library with the funds raised at our Scholastic Book Fair. The books are already on display, and we've made sure to choose some of the children's favourite titles. There are more books on the way, so your children will have even more opportunities to explore and discover new stories at Cherry Tree School.



Don't forget about the Mini Winter Reading Challenge at our local library! It's a fantastic opportunity to find some great books and achieve this challenge.



Happy reading!

Jane Sibbit

LKS2/Reading Leader/Class Teacher

KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE

Please be aware of our designated safeguarding team here at Cherry Tree.

If you ever have a concern about a child, family or staff member in our school, please contact one of these members of staff: Cheska Tyler (Headteacher), Emma Hibberd (Assistant Headteacher), Vicky Carrack (Inclusion Leader & SENDCo), Debbie Massey (Pastoral Leader), Emma Birdsall (EYFS Lead), Katy Wolstencroft (KS1 Lead), Jane Sibbit (LKS2 Lead) or Emma Penfold (UKS2 Lead).



PLEASE STOP



SPEAK OUT



DON'T TOUCH

SCHOOL FLU VACCINATIONS - SECOND VISIT

On Wednesday 6th December the Vaccination team will return to vaccinate any children from Reception to Year 6 that missed their previous visit.

If you have any queries please contact them directly on 01462 427 008.



FESTIVE LUNCH

As we do each year, Cherry Tree would like to offer every child a free Festive school lunch.

The Festive lunch will be on Tuesday 19th December 2023.

An email has been sent home with more information. Please complete the form only if your child would like to opt out of the meal or; if your child has dietary requirements and does not have an allergy aware menu already in place.

SCHOOL MILK

All children from Nursery to Year 6 can enjoy a carton of milk in school every day. Milk provides protein, calcium and vitamins B2 and B12, which are essential for growing children. Your child may even be entitled to receive this milk free - you can [check your entitlement here](#).



If you would like to order school milk for your child, please follow the directions on the email that was sent out earlier this week.

The deadline to [order school milk on Arbor](#) for the Spring term is Friday the 8th of December.

RECEPTION CLASS ADMISSIONS 2024-25

Applications for Reception 2024-25 are now open. The deadline for applications is Monday the 15th of January 2024. We are conducting [weekly tours](#) of the school so please share this with anyone who may be interested.



WRITERS OF THE WEEK!



Behold! The month's bards have woven tales of pure enchantment and wizardry. You won't want to miss a single word of their mystical creations. Simply ask your little scholar's teacher for the chance to experience this enchanting wonderland for yourself!

Class	Child's Name	Reason
Berries	Victoria	For learning how to write some letters in her name.
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Acorns	Myla	For using her phonics to spell and aiming high with her letter formation.
Conkers	Hendrix	For aiming high with his writing, trying his best to write his name and all the sounds he can hear in words. Well done 😊
Maple	Khushi	For her excellent retelling of the story of Robin Hood in the past tense.
Birch	Yahya	For aiming high with story writing so he writes in the past tense.
Cedar	Huzaifa	For aiming high and including description in his work.
Willow	Daniel	For working well independently and improving his handwriting.
Sycamore	John	For really trying hard to write all their ideas down where the spelling is phonetically plausible.
Hazel	Kyri	For working so well independently and producing a descriptive story based on our picture of a ship.
Ash	Abdur Rahman	For excellent effort with editing and up levelling his work.
Yew	Leone	For producing some fabulous setting descriptions, including a great range of vocabulary and all with fantastic handwriting!
Pine	Mahdiya	For a beautiful setting description.
Fir	Faizan	For taking your time to think about what you are writing and uplevelling as you go along. Your setting description piece was beautiful!
Oak	Ayaan	For writing an effective narrative using a variety of sentence styles to build atmosphere, intrigue and add description.
Elm	Maheen	For a very well thought out and informative discussion text.



TOP CHERRIES



Our Top Cherry Award is an award to celebrate exceptional behaviour, learning or manners. These children really are going above and beyond!

Class	Child's Name	Reason
Lunchtime	Kya (5F)	For being a positive role model at lunchtimes and always helping the KS1 children in the library.
Red & Ready	Amelie (3H)	For always having a positive attitude and being well mannered.
Fireflies	Musa A	For being brave and joining in around the Fire Circle.
Berries	Kian	For developing his confidence.
Acorns	Ivy	For always being a kind friend to everyone in Acorns and consistently aiming high.
Conkers	Adrien	For settling into his new class well, making new friendships, following the routine, trying his hardest in all his learning and always being polite. Welcome to Conkers!
Maple	Marcel	For being a kind and caring member of Maple class and always looking out for others.
Birch	Hasti	For a fantastic attitude in every lesson. Well done for always aiming high!
Cedar	Freddie	For aiming high all week even when he was unwell.
Willow	Atidaishe	For her excellent contributions in maths and aiming high.
Sycamore	Ethan	For always positively engaging with their learning.
Hazel	Maria Sole	For always aiming high, being brave and being kind. You exemplify all our Cherry Tree values.
Ash	Ahaan	For always being a great role model, aiming high and being kind.
Yew	Rayan	For always having a great attitude to learning, providing great contributions in class, and completing all work to a high standard.
Pine	Amarachi	For being a ray of sunshine! You are always kind and have a positive attitude to learning.
Fir	Kya	For consistently aiming high, being brave and showing all the Cherry Tree values.
Oak	Stella	For always modelling our school values no matter what she is doing both in and out of the classroom.
Elm	Ruby	For always aiming high in her work, being brave by speaking out and being kind to those who need it.

Well done, Cherries!



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