



NEWSLETTER

6TH OCTOBER 2023

WELCOME

Another fantastic couple of weeks have been had at Cherry Tree, with almost all classes experiencing their first trip of the year. Children have been to Hampton Court, Leavesdon Country Park and St Albans to name a few. Thank you to those who have volunteered to accompany us on these experiences, we couldn't do it without you. Please may I remind you if you are helping on trips, that you are not to take photos of the children and you must not share any photos on social media (this includes WhatsApp). Not all children have photograph permission for safeguarding reasons. Thank you. Volunteers are organised by the class teachers using fair systems so please ensure you are understanding of this. I appreciate it may be disappointing if you are unable to accompany your child on their trip but sadly, we cannot accommodate everyone, all the time.

Despite my reminder last newsletter, we are seeing a lot of children coming to school with the incorrect uniform/PE kit, jewellery and painted nails. May I please remind you that nails must not be painted and no jewellery must be worn at all. For health and safety reasons the only item of jewellery allowed is a pair of stud earrings. Our school uniform information can be found clearly on our school website.

Please have a look at the article on the following page regarding our exciting new partnership with Steps2Skills.

We have formed a new relationship with the Watford Polish Saturday School. The school will be using Cherry Tree grounds every Saturday morning so we would like to inform local residents that they may see increased movement on the local roads at that time.
Have a lovely weekend,

Cheska Tyler
Headteacher

HELLO YELLOW

Tuesday the 10th of October is World Mental Health Day and at Cherry Tree we will be joining thousands of people across the country by wearing yellow to stand out and show up for young people's mental health.

We are not asking for donations but, if you would like to support this cause [please click here](#).



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



- Tuesday 10th October - Hello Yellow Day
- Wednesday 11th October - Year 3 trip to RAF Museum
- Friday 13th October - Year 6 Trip, Grand Union Canal
- Tuesday 17th & Wednesday 18th of October - Parent Consultations
- Thursday 19th October - Step2Skills coffee morning
- Friday 20th October - Last Day of Term - 3.15pm
- Monday 30th October - INSET Day - School closed
- Tuesday 31st October - First day of Autumn Term 2
- Friday 3rd November - Deadline for Friends Christmas card designs
- Week Comm. Monday 6th November - Book Fair (Details to follow)
- Friday 1st December 3.15pm - Friends Christmas Fair
- Wednesday 6th December - Friends Winter Disco
- Wednesday 20th December - Last Day of Term (Finish 1.30pm)
- Thursday 4th January 2024 - First Day of Spring Term

NEW PARENT GOVERNOR

Hello everyone,

I would like to thank all of you who cast their vote in the latest parent governor election back in July. I recently attended my first governor meeting and I am very appreciative of the opportunity to be the latest parent governor.

A bit about me; you may already know I'm a former student of Cherry Tree. I am also a father of two and the best part of my weekend is going on nature walks as a family (recommendations welcome). I look forward to meeting more of you. Have a great weekend.



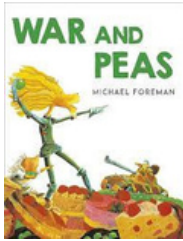
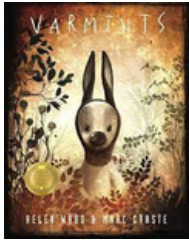
Adem (Adam) Baysal
Parent Governor

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

READING CORNER

Hi Everyone,

As always we have been enjoying so many books and stories at Cherry Tree. We do this through our class reads, library visits, reading lessons, the books we use to support us in writing lessons as well as all the non-fiction reading we do to inform and teach us in science and theme. Ask your child to share with you all the great books they immerse themselves in at school. Here are just a few:



We aim to build a 'love of reading' at Cherry Tree and know that you support your children with their reading at home too. Reading is so important and powerful; therefore working together to nurture a love of reading will ensure our children become enthusiastic and committed readers.

Happy reading everyone!

Jane Sibbit

LKS2/ Reading leader/ Class teacher

PARENTS EVENING CONSULTATION

Parent/Teacher consultations give parents/carers the opportunity to meet their child's class teacher and review their progress. Appointments are allocated on a first-come-first-served basis through the Arbor system. Please check your emails for details about the timings and an explanation on how to book your meeting.

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

STEP2SKILLS COFFEE MORNING

Whether your goal is to improve your employability options, change your job, progress in your current role or learn a new skill whilst meeting people with similar interests to you, Step2Skills can help you.

Step2Skills will be visiting the school on Thursday 19th October to explain how they can help you. They will be in the Hub after morning drop off so please pop along.

GARDENING CLUB

Last week we had our first sale this school year of all the delicious produce we have grown in our Edible Garden.



Thank you to all who so generously donated to this worthy cause and I hope you all enjoyed your tasty vegetables. This has enabled us to buy new gloves for the Gardening Club and some garlic bulbs too which we hope will be ready for harvesting early in 2024.

Happy gardening everyone!

Mrs Sibbit and Ms Hoare

THANK YOU YEAR 1 PARENTS

On Tuesday 26th September, Y1 walked around the local area walk and visited the Berry Avenue playground. The children spotted lots of interesting things such as road signs, a Mosque, a Temple, lots of trees and were fascinated to see all the changes to the Mothercare building as it is being transformed into new homes.

We were really grateful to so many family members who joined us on this walk. What a fantastic community we have at Cherry Tree school!



VACANCY AT CHERRY TREE

We are looking to appoint a friendly, caring and experienced Teaching Assistant to join our passionate team. Do you want to make a difference to our children, or know someone who does? If so, [click this link](#).



WRITERS OF THE WEEK!



Hear ye, hear ye! Let it be known that the bards of the month have woven tales of wonder and magic. A grand display of their enchanted words await those who seek inspiration. If thy heart desires to witness the wonderous work inquire with your child's teacher, and the gates to this realm shall be opened unto thee.

Class	Child's Name	Reason
Berries	Laila	For thinking about the colours she needed for her picture.
Berries	Saint	For thinking about the different parts of the body he needed.
Acorns	Zoya	For aiming high with her name writing.
Conkers	Maya	For thinking and concentrating on her self-portrait, making sure she created the correct shapes and used the colours needed.
Maple	Serafima	For thinking really carefully about her sentences before she writes them.
Birch	Holly	For putting lots of effort into her writing and remembering to use full stops.
Cedar	Amelia	For excellent description of a character.
Willow	Albert	For independently using expanded noun phrases to describe a setting.
Sycamore	Jayden	For using commas in a list and conjunctions independently.
Hazel	Samreen	For independently using a range of conjunctions in her writing.
Ash	Rosie	For beautiful presentation and checking spellings using a dictionary.
Yew	Naila	For some incredible descriptive pieces and fantastic letters.
Pine	Jamie	For planning and writing a persuasive letter and including all the features needed.
Fir	Thavaneiya	For writing a really persuasive letter to a very scary lady! Your vocabulary was beautiful.
Oak	Jochebed	For writing a really well thought out, and illustrative, setting description.
Elm	Kamil	For impressive use of figurative language.

BBC 500 WORD COMPETITION

Does your child love writing? Do they dream of being an author? For twelve years, the BBC have run the 500 words competition, encouraging young writers everywhere. There are fabulous prizes to be won, including book bundles, the chance for their story to be professionally illustrated and even the chance for it to be read on TV by a celebrity!

Miss Penfold (our Writing leader) has signed up to send in all of our entries. Her classroom is open every Friday lunchtime for children to share ideas and write their stories but we encourage children to write at home too. The piece of work must be 500 words maximum, MUST be typed and MUST be sent to Miss Penfold (can be via admin email) by Friday 3rd November.

Please find more information [here](#). Happy writing and good luck!



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	Fiona (5F)	For always being a good role model, wonderful friend and inclusive member of our school community.
Red & Ready	Kyle	For being an amazing role model.
Fireflies	Ollie	For being kind whilst playing a game, you made sure everyone was included and no one was left out.
Berries	Riley	For always working hard, being an excellent helper and being kind to her friends.
Acorns	Julia	For always listening carefully at carpet times and being a kind friend in Acorns class.
Conkers	Ayana	For aiming high and being brave whilst developing her independent skills.
Maple	Muhaddisah	For aiming high by always having her hand up on the carpet to answer questions in every lesson!
Birch	Aida	For being a lovely role model every day showing our Cherry Tree values.
Cedar	Ruby	For always aiming high and being a fantastic role model.
Willow	Athena	For always aiming high in lessons, especially during class discussions.
Sycamore	Shanaya	For settling well into Sycamore class.
Hazel	Kasthoori	For always going the extra mile in her work, making sure she includes lots of information and detail.
Ash	Kovin	For aiming high in all you do and happily sharing your ideas and work with the class.
Yew	Ria	For being a fantastic role model to the rest of the class, always aiming high, being brave and being kind.
Pine	Hayan	For being a fantastic role model to his peers and consistently displaying our Cherry Tree values!
Fir	Minuka and Max	For both settling into our class so well!
Oak	Elisha	For always aiming high when presenting work in her books.
Elm	Lamiah	For always showing our school values and beliefs.

Well done, Cherries!



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