

NEWSLETTER

26TH APRIL 2024

WELCOME

Please have a careful read of our newsletter this week as there have been many exciting learning opportunities for our children and even an opportunity for them to be on the BBC! We are constantly presented with opportunities to be proud of our children as they demonstrate our school values and beliefs.

Sadly, we had an incident this week whereby a member of our school community ran over one of our child-like road safety signs on Berry Avenue. We are shocked that this has happened and it reminds us just how important it is to take care on our roads. This could have been one of our children. <u>Carelessness like this is not acceptable</u>. Please keep our children safe by driving carefully, slowly and with due attention for our children. I would like to extend my thanks to the parent who went out of their way to help to rectify the parking sign, we are very grateful.

Thank you to the parents who answered our parent survey. The results are being analysed and we will present you with some feedback once this is complete. We didn't get a positive response rate however so please do use our communication channels to work with us to make the school a better place.

Cheska Tyler Headteacher

M2 CLUB CHALLENGE

We are so proud of the members of our M2 club who not only completed the London Mini Marathon with Miss Tyler but also found time to meet Joe Wicks, The Body Coach, and had the confidence to be interviewed on camera for BBC Sport. Such great role models!





DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Monday 29th April Year 1 African Drumming Workshop
- Tuesday 30th April Year 3 Sri Guru Singh Sabha Gurdwara Trip
- Thursday 2nd May Local Elections held in school (School Open)
- Monday 6th May Bank Holiday (School Closed)
- WB 13th May Year 6 SATs Week
- Thursday 16th May Year 5 Bhaktivedanta Manor Trip
- Friday 24th May from 2-3pm International Picnic
- Friday 24th of May Last Day of half term (School closes at 3.15pm)
- Monday 3rd of June First Day of Summer 2 Term
- Monday 17th June Whole Class Photographs
- Friday 21st June Occasional Day (School Closed)
- Friday 28th June Inclusive MAT Olympics
- Friday 19th July Last Day of School finish 1.30pm
- Wednesday 4th September Start of new school year

WRITERS OF THE MONTH

Well done to all of our writers of the month. Do ask your child's teacher if you'd like to come and see the display!

| Berries | Kesika & Lubyanka | Sycamore | Charles | |
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| Conkers | Mishka | Yew | Matthew | |
| Acorns | lvy | Ash | Megudhan | |
| Birch | Elicia | Pine | Naomi | |
| Maple | Johnny | Fir | Maahir | |
| Willow | Jhanvi | Oak | Ammar | |
| Cedar | Anayah | Elm | Artan | |
| Hazel | Maria Sole | | | |

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

READING CORNER

Welcome to Book Corner!

This week we had another author visiting Cherry Tree! Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 were treated to a fabulous morning with Rose Lihou who introduced the children to her beautifully illustrated debut novel - Tiny Dogs.



Not only did Rose write the novel but also created the gorgeous artwork for it too! It is a thought provoking story of change, adventures, family love and support, plus the cutest dogs! There are still a few signed copies of the book, in the office, available to purchase for £7.99 please bring the correct amount of cash if you'd like one.

Happy reading!

Jane Sibbit LKS2/Reading Leader/Class Teacher

THE SOUND OF THE POLICE

This week Cherry Tree was alive with the sound of sirens as we were visited by various police units including the SWAT team and K-9 Unit to take part in our Mini Police Community Day.

This was a celebration of the Year 5 children completing their Mini Police programme which involved learning about personal, road and internet safety. It was a fantastic afternoon for all involved!





Thanks go to PC Kelly & Maddy for supporting our children over the past 8 weeks and all the units at Hertfordshire Police who made this such a memorable experience.

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).







BEEZEE FAMILIES

Beezee Bodies believe that a healthy life is a happy life and they want to help families to make the small changes that have a big difference. They run free courses for families to kickstart a healthier lifestyle. You can find out more on their website by clicking this link.



MINI MARATHON

Cherry Tree have entered the Mini Marathon again this year. The event began on the 15th of April and we

have until Friday 10th May to complete the challenge. The children must complete the distance of 2.6 miles, which can be spread over several days.

Each child that completes the challenge will receive a certificate. Please watch out for tweets with



#MiniLondonMarathon to keep up with the fun!

FRIENDS OF HAREBREAKS WOOD

The Friends of Harebreaks Wood will be hosting a bluebell walk to give local residents the opportunity to see this



ancient woodland at it's iconic best. If you are interested they are meeting in St Mark's carpark on Saturday 27th April at 1.30pm You can learn more about this and other events by clicking this link.

NEW SCHOOL MENU

Our current catering contract is up for renewal and we are following the tender process. Therefore, we are still using the Autumn/Winter menu.



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 | |
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| Red & Ready | Noah | For always being a sensible and polite young man at Red & Ready. We done! | |
| Fireflies | Yusuf (3H) | For having a positive attitude whilst at Forest Schools. Well done. | |
| Cherry Blossoms | Jeshwin | For joining in with his friends during activities. | |
| Berries | Jalal | For developing his independent skills | |
| Acorns | Umar | For aiming high and making good progress with phonics and writing. | |
| Conkers | Marsi | For aiming high in theme this week, creating her own Princess character based on the story 'On the Way Home'. | |
| Maple | Methula | For being brave and aiming high during his first week at Cherry Tree! | |
| Birch | Leon | For an excellent attitude in Maths. Well done for aiming high in every lesson! | |
| Cedar | Bella-Mae | For excellent effort on her handwriting in all lessons. | |
| Willow | Amreen | For aiming high with her writing, both in English lessons and Guided Reading. | |
| Sycamore | Kriish | For always working hard and being willing to improve on their work when feedback is given. | |
| Hazel | Joone | For always helping around the classroom without having to be asked. | |
| Ash | Aiden | For aiming high with his writing | |
| Yew | Stefan | For always providing insightful input in lessons and having a fantastic bank of knowledge to share with his peers. | |
| Pine | Kasey | For being a fantastic role model to your peers. We can always trust you to make the right choices! | |
| Fir | Мах | For always being brave, doing the right thing and making the right choices. | |
| Oak | Sienna | For being brave and having a positive attitude to her learning this term | |
| Elm | Aiden | For making a conscious effort to aim high in everything! | |

Well done, Cherries!



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