



Cherry Tree Primary School - Newsletter

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Red Nose Day

 The children looked fantastic in their wigs, hats and mad hair. We are pleased to let you know we raised £261.60. If you would still like to donate, please send it in on Monday as we will be sending the money on to the charity.

Year 4 - Pied Piper of Hamelin

 Parents/carers of children in Ash and Yew classes are invited to watch their play at 7pm next Monday 27th March. Children should return to school at 6.30pm to get into their outfits ready for the play.

Rent-a-Beast - Year 1

 Earlier this week, Birch and Maple classes had an excellent time when Rent-a-Beast visited with their animals. The children learnt about animals including little scorpions, cockroaches, katydid and millipedes, and had the chance to hold them if they wanted to. The children learnt lots about the animals and new vocabulary such as predator and invertebrate. What a fantastic experience!

Verulamium Museum Trip- Year 4

 Next Tuesday, Ash and Yew class have their trip to Verulamium Museum. The children will leave school at approximately 10.15am and return to school by the end of the school day. The children need a packed lunch, water bottle, full uniform, warm/waterproof coat, hat and sensible shoes as there will be a lot of walking.

School Clubs

 Gymnastic and Street Dance Clubs have now finished for the term. All other clubs have their final session next week. Flyers have been emailed out for the children to sign up for the clubs for the Summer Term and further copies can be viewed on our website in the Letters and Newsletters section.

Friends of Harebreaks Wood



Our local woods has a number of events over the next few weeks:

- Saturday 1st April - Dawn Chorus - meet at 5.30am at St Mark's car park.
- Saturday 8th April - Harebreaks Wood Talk - 10.30am at the Baptist Church, Leavesden Road, entrance fee £2.
- Saturday 29th April - Bluebell Walk - meet at 1.30pm at St Mark's car park.

Friends Easter Bake

 The bake sale takes place next Wednesday 29th March. Please send donation of cakes in on the day and the sale will take place for Nursery at 12 noon and the rest of school at 3.15pm. This year, the sale will take place in the Dining Room, please come into school via the School Office entrance.

Hazard Alley - Year 5



Fir and Pine had a fantastic time at Hazard Alley yesterday. "There were lots of different zones with different scenes. One was about water safety and how to call for help and dial 999. Another was about car safety and how dangerous it can be for babies in the front seat. There was also a dark alley that we were told never to go down as it could put our life at risk. It was a bit scary but great fun!" by Tyrique and Sharujan - Fir Class

Mobile Phone use when driving



Hertfordshire County Council have asked us to remind parents/carers of the law change regarding use of mobile phones when driving. It is illegal to use a hand-held phone or similar device while driving or riding a motorcycle/bicycle. This also includes when stopped at traffic lights. Anyone caught will receive six penalty points on their licence and a £200 fine. If this is a new driver, within two years of passing their test, they risk losing their licence for this single offence.

Cherry Tree Runners



You may recall that Year 5 went to Holyrood earlier this term to take part in a Fun Run. Following their success at this, three of our runners, Kaylen, Thehara and Jessica were invited to take part in a District Run at Cassiobury Park last weekend. We are very proud of their achievement!

Kaylen said *'It was wet and quite muddy and we had to run a long way. The top ten boys and girls got a trophy and everyone else got a medal. I came 3rd and was presented with a cup!'*

Jessica said *"The girls ran first, followed by the boys. I ran too quickly at first and was very tired when I finished. I was presented with a medal!"*

End of Term



Reception to Year 6 finish school next Friday 31st March at the earlier time of 2pm, whilst Nursery children finish on Thursday 30th March. Children return to school on Wednesday 19th April at 8.55am.



End of Term Dress-Down Day

After the Easter holidays, Watford Schools Trust will be in school over the course of two weeks, running workshops for all children. These will be based in a specially created 'Reflection Room'. To raise funds for this charity, we are holding a non-uniform day next Friday 31st March. Children can come to school dressed in their own clothes, suitable for a school day, in return for a £1 donation.

Learning Together
Learning for Life

Attendance Winners:

Sycamore - 99%

Outstanding Behaviour Winners:

FS: Acorns, Infants: Willow, Juniors: Fir

Punctuality Winners:

Acorns, Cedar and Pine - no lates!

Parking Issues

We have received a number of phone calls recently from local residents complaining about blocked driveways and altercations with some of our parents/carers.

Are you may be aware, following a change to legislation in 2009, Watford Council's Parking Service is now able to undertake enforcement of dropped kerbs relating to residential/commercial driveways and pedestrian crossing points.

We understand that our school was built in 1975 as a small one-form-entry school so many people walked to school, however, we are now almost 2-form entry and there is only limited room for cars to park legally.

We would really appreciate it if you could make every effort to either walk to school, or park a distance away from school and walk the last part. As well as improving the parking situation this is good exercise for your child and could give you the opportunity to teach them essential road safety awareness.

If you do need to report any parking issues, you can do this between the hours of 8am and 6pm, Monday to Saturday by calling the Parking Service on 01908 223657.