


Year 3 Spring 1 Term Class Newsletter



CHERRY TREE
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to school! We hope you have had a restful and enjoyable holiday. We thought it would be helpful to give you an update on your child's learning this term and to provide you with some useful information.

<p>Adults who will be working with your children this half term are:</p>	<p>Best ways to communicate with us:</p>
<p>Miss Merrill – Sycamore Class teacher Miss Penfold – Hazel Class teacher Mrs Irwin – Teaching Assistant Mrs Harrison – Teaching Assistant Mrs Petrof – Higher Level Teaching Assistant Mr Hibbit – Sports Coach Mr Chauhan – Higher Level Teaching Assistant Mrs Shah – SEND TA Miss Thalappil – SEND TA Ms Kecekoul – SEND TA Mrs Noor – SEND TA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Twitter @CTS_Watford @MissMerrillCTS @MissPenfoldCTS • Class door – catch us before or after school • Meeting – please arrange this with the school office or Class Teacher.
<p>Reading at Cherry Tree:</p>	<p>The School Day and Key Dates:</p>
<p>At Cherry Tree we understand the importance of enabling our children to become confident and enthusiastic readers. Reading frequently to children, and engaging them actively in stories, non-fiction, rhymes, and poems, will give children the opportunity to thrive. Books are used in every area of our teaching and are an integral part of Cherry Tree School. Please read with your child at home, encourage them to read independently and ensure that a log of their reading is kept in their Reading Record which will be brought into school each day.</p> 	<p>Doors will open 8.44am Doors will be locked at 8.55am. After 8.55am take your child to the office. School will finish 3.15pm.</p> <p>PE kits must be in school at all times. We will be doing PE throughout the week.</p> <p>Last day of term: 14th February 2025</p> <p>We are a 'nut free' school as some children have severe nut allergies. Please check snacks and lunch boxes are 'nut free'.</p>
<p>Home Learning:</p>	
<p>It is expected that...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children practise their spellings every week and bring their Home Learning book in every Monday. • Children to use Numbots and TTRockstars for Maths and times tables practise for 30 minutes a week. • Children read to an adult at home at least 4 times a week and that this is recorded in their reading record • Homework is completed on time and to a high standard <p>A 'Homework Menu' will be sent home at the beginning of each half term. The children will have a set number of activities to choose from to complete over the weeks. This is due in during the last week of the half term.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Our theme this term is...</p>	
<p>Our Theme this term is: Has exploration improved the world?</p> <p>During this half term we will be investigating how our world works. To understand this, we will be investigating how exploration has changed the world we live in today. We will be focusing on exploration over sea, land and in space, and will be discovering more about famous explorers such as Christopher Columbus and Neil Armstrong. In Science we are investigating Forces. Much of our English will reflect these fields of study through the books The Pirate Cruncher by Jonny Duddle and Lost and Found by Oliver Jeffers. Check out our fortnightly newsletters to find out more of what we will be learning this term.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Useful links to support your child's learning:</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button • https://trockstars.com/ • https://www.purplemash.com/login • https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk 	

