



Year One Summer 1 Class Newsletter



CHERRY TREE
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you had a good holiday! We thought it would be helpful to give you an update on what your child will be learning this half term and to provide you with some updates.

<p>Adults who will be working with your children this half term are:</p> <p>Miss Wolstencroft – Birch Class Teacher and KS1 leader Miss McCafferty– Maple Class Teacher Mrs Collyer – KS1 Teaching Assistant Mrs Plummer – KS1 Teaching Assistant Mrs Aghimien – Phonics Teaching Assistant</p> <p>Mrs Sulaman- Maple HLTA and Forest School Mrs Fisher – Birch HLTA Mrs Petrof – Art HLTA Mr Littleboy – PE HLTA</p> <p>Mrs Wickham – SEN 1-1 TA Mrs Shah – SEN 1-1 TA Mrs Bahauddin – SEN 1-1 TA Mrs Lu – SEN 1-1 TA</p>	<p>The School Day and Key Dates:</p> <p>Doors will open at 8:50am. Please be prompt as we have busy fingers between 8:50am and 9:00am. Our first lesson starts at 9:00am. School will finish at 3.15pm.</p> <p>May Half Term – Friday 27th May 2022 Children return Monday 6th June 2022</p> <p>Please let us know if you would like to support in school for our forest school sessions on a Monday afternoon 1:15- 3:00pm.</p>
<p>Best ways to communicate with us:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Twitter – for daily pictures and updates @CTS_Watford (Cherry Tree School) @MissWCTS (Miss Wolstencroft) @MissMcCCTS (Miss McCafferty) @MrsSulamanCTS (Mrs Sulaman) • Marvellous Me- check for badges or messages • Playground – catch us at the classroom door before or after school • Meetings - please arrange this with the school office- phone call/ google classroom appointments are available. <p>You are also welcome to make an appointment with the office for a telephone call or meeting with us. We would be happy to answer any questions you might have about your child or the Year 1 curriculum.</p>	
<p>Reading:</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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>(This can include online books, recipes, instructions, shopping lists, letters, postcards, newspapers as well as stories). Please let us know if you are free to listen to children read.</p>	<p>PE and School Uniform</p> <p>PE is on a Tuesday afternoon but we do expect the children to have their PE kits in every day.</p> <p>PE - Tuesday pm Daily mile - daily 5 a day - daily</p> <p>All PE kit should be named and left in school on your child's peg. It can be taken home at half term to be washed.</p> <p>We are practising getting changed quickly and putting our clothes away. Please make sure all uniform is labelled and children have a chance to practise changing at home to speed up this process!</p> 

Home Learning:

It is expected that...

- Children practise some **Maths** skills throughout the week (NumBots) this can be games at home such as counting, sorting, following routines, measuring and weighing or playing board games.
- Children **read** with an adult for a minimum of 5 minutes every day.
- A '**Homework Menu**' will be sent home at the beginning of each half term. Please email/ tweet/ send in via google classroom or bring in work to share at the end of each half term.

Our theme this term is... What is life like in an African town?

We will be learning about the continent of Africa this half term. In **Geography** we will learn that there are over 50 different African countries and the landscape is different in each (hot dry deserts, cold mountains or warm wet rainforests). We will find out about life in the savannah and traditional homes in Kenya. We will learn about weather around the world in **Science** and start to identify how the weather changes each day in the UK. In **Maths** we will recap how to subtract, and become more confident at counting in groups to learn about multiplication and division. We will solve problems involving groups and sharing. In **English** lessons our writing will be based on the stories 'Anna Hibiscus', 'Lila and the secret of rain' and 'One day on our blue planet: In the Savannah'. We will learn about shadows, den building and tying knots in **Forest School**. In our **RE** lessons we will learn about special books for Muslims (Qu'ran) and Christians (Bible) and the stories that are found in different religions. In **Music** we will explore creating rhythms and patterns often found in African music. We will use the chromebooks in **Computing** to create musical patterns. In **Spanish** we will learn to count to 10 and in **PSHE** we will learn about relationships and friendships. In **PE** lessons we will learn about striking and fielding when playing ball games. Please let us know if you have any useful information or resources which you would be willing to share with us.

Useful links to support your child's learning:

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/> <https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/> <https://www.purplemash.com/login/>
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/> <https://play.numbots.com/#/intro>