

Year 2 Autumn 2 Term Class Newsletter



CHERRY TREE
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Autumn 2! We are so proud of what the children achieved in Autumn 1 and are looking forward to extend their learning even more. 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 Khan – Cedar Class teacher Miss Meldau – Willow Class teacher Mrs Collyer – KS1 Teaching Assistant Mrs Plummer – KS1 Teaching Assistant Mrs Aghimien – Phonics Teaching Assistant</p> <p>Mr Littleboy – Higher Level Teaching Assistant Mrs Petrof - Higher Level Teaching Assistant Ms Hoare –Higher Level Teaching Assistant</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Twitter @CTS_Watford @MissKhanCTS @MissMeldauCTS • Marvellous Me – make sure you have downloaded the App so you can see messages and badges that are sent regularly. • Class door – catch us before or after school • Meeting - please arrange this with the school office or Class Teacher. • Please remember that the school office is closed and will also be by appointment only.
<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>Please let us know if you are free to listen to children read.</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>PE is only on Wednesdays and children will change at school.</p> <p>Tuesday 9th and Wednesday 10th November is parents evening. Please book a slot.</p> <p>Year 2 will be completing their Year 1 Phonics test at the end of December. This test was supposed to happen at the end of Year 1 but was rescheduled due to COVID. Please practise phonics sounds at home.</p> <p>Christmas Holiday's – Friday 17th December at 1.30pm - Wednesday 5th January</p>
<p>Home Learning:</p>	
<p>It is expected that...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children practise some Maths skills throughout the week (Mathletics/ Times Table Rockstars/ NumBots) • Children read with an adult for a minimum of 5 minutes every day. They can read their school book or share a book (even online books, recipes, instructions, shopping lists, letters, postcards, newspapers). Please record any reading in the reading record. • Children should practise reading and writing the Year 2 common exception words at home. • A 'Homework Menu' will be sent home at the beginning of each half term. Please email/ tweet or bring in work to share whenever it is completed. 	
<p>Our theme this term is... What caused the Great Fire of London</p>	
<p>During this half term, we will be learning about London, the capital city of England. We will investigate how the Great Fire of London started in 1666, why it spread so quickly and how the city of London changed after the fire. We will compare how firefighting equipment has changed and how buildings are built differently nowadays. In Science, we will investigate different materials (metal, wood, paper, glass, brick, fabric etc.) and how they are used for different purposes.</p>	
<p>Useful links to support your child's learning:</p>	

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