



Year 1 Autumn 2 Class Newsletter



CHERRY TREE
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents/Carers,

We thought it would be helpful to give you an update on your child's learning this half term and to provide you with some information. If you wish to speak with us, please catch us at the classroom doors after school or make an appointment to see us with the office. We would be happy to answer any questions you might have.

<p>Adults who will be working with your children this half term are:</p>	<p>Best ways to communicate with us:</p>
<p>Miss Wolstencroft- Birch Class Teacher and KS1 Phase Leader Mrs Gornall- Maple Class Teacher Mrs Aghimien- KS1 TA Mrs Plummer- KS1 TA Mrs Sulaman- Higher Level Teacher Assistant Mrs Fisher – Higher Level Teaching Assistant Ms Petrof – Higher Level Teaching Assistant Mr Hibbit – Sports Coach Mrs Majid – SEND TA Miss Andrew- SEND TA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class door – catch up after school • Meeting - please arrange this with the school office or Class Teacher. • Marvellous Me • Twitter <p>We will be sharing the amazing things we do in school on Twitter. @CTS_Watford, @MrsGornallCTS</p> <p>If you are not sure of your log in details for Marvellous Me! Please ask.</p>
<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.</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 should be brought into school each day.</p>  <p>(This can include online books, recipes, instructions, shopping lists, letters, postcards, newspapers as well as stories).</p>	<p>Doors will open 8.49am Doors will be locked at 9.00am. Register will be taken before 9am. After 9am take your child to the office School will finish at 3.15pm</p> <p>Autumn 2 term begins- Tuesday 31st October Maths Week- 6th- 10th November Book Fair- 6-10th November Anti- Bullying Week- 13th -17th November Friday 1st December- Trip to Windsor Castle Friday 1st December- Christmas Fair Wednesday 20th December- Last day of term- School finishes at 13:30 Thursday 4th January- School begins</p>
<p>PE and Outdoor learning</p>	
<p>PE is usually on a Wednesday but we do expect the children to have their PE kits in every day. 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> <p>We will be learning outdoors every day. Our outdoor learning 'forest school' lesson will usually be on a Monday. Children should have a coat and wellies left at school.</p> 	
<p>Home Learning:</p>	
<p>It is expected that...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children read every day with an adult who records this in the orange reading record book. • Children to use Numbots to practise Maths at home throughout the week • A 'Home learning Menu' will be sent home at the beginning of each half term. Children should complete 5 home learning tasks each half term (1 a week). These should be completed by the child and be brought back to school for our home learning sharing on the last week. 	

Our themes this term are...

During this half term we will be investigating **Who would live in a castle?**

In **History** we will learn about some famous Kings and Queens of England. We will also find out about famous castles and how they were built. In **Geography** we will learn about the capital cities within the United Kingdom. In **Science** we will find out about different materials and what they can be made into. In **English** lessons our writing will be based on stories and poems about castles. We will look at portraits of Monarchs and paintings of castles in **Art** lessons. We will design and build moving drawbridges for castles in **D&T**. In our **RE** lessons we will explore how Christians celebrate Christmas and think about what gifts we give at special times. We will sing songs in **Music**, learn basic **Spanish** greetings and use the Chromebooks or iPads in **Computing**.

Useful links to support your child's learning:

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/>

<https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/>

<https://play.trockstars.com/auth/school/student/35341>

<https://play.numbots.com/#/account/school-login/35341>