Year 2 Autumn 2 Term Class Newsletter



Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to school! 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.

Adults who will be working with your children this half	Best ways to communicate with us:				
term are:					
Mrs Arlow – Cedar Class teacher	 Twitter @CTS_Watford @MrsArlowCTS 				
Miss Campbell – Willow Class teacher	@MissCampbellCTS				
Mrs Aghimein – KS1 Teaching Assistant	 Marvellous Me – make sure you have downloaded 				
Mrs Plummer– KS1 Teaching Assistant	the App so you can see messages and badges that				
Miss Parles – Teaching Assistant	are sent regularly.				
	 Class door – catch us before or after school 				
Mrs Petrof - Higher Level Teaching Assistant	 Meeting - please arrange this with the school office 				
Mr Hibbit – PE Coach	or Class Teacher.				
Mrs Fisher – Higher Level Teaching Assistant	Please remember that the school office is closed				
Ms Hoare – Higher Level Teaching Assistant	and will also be by appointment only.				
Reading at Cherry Tree:	The School Day and Key Dates:				
At Cherry Tree we understand the importance of enabling	Doors will open 8.49am				
our children to become confident and enthusiastic readers.	Register will be taken before 9am				
Reading frequently to children, and engaging them actively	Doors will be locked at 9.00am.				
in stories, non-fiction, rhymes and poems, will give children	After 9am take your child to the office				
the opportunity to thrive. Books are used in every area of	School will finish 3.15pm				
our teaching and are an integral part of Cherry Tree					
School.	PE kits must be in school at all times. We will be doing PE				
Please read with your child at home, encourage them to	throughout the week.				
read independently and					
ensure that a log of their	The end of this school term falls on 20th December 2023 .				
reading is kept in their	We will be finishing school at 1:30 pm this day.				
Reading Record which will be					
brought into school each day.	We are a 'nut free' school as some children have severe				
	nut allergies. Please check snacks and lunch boxes are 'nut free'.				
Home Learning:					
It is expected that					
Children practise some Maths skills throughout the week (Mathletics/ Times Table Rockstars/ NumBots)					
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• Children read with an adult for a minimum of 5 minutes every day. They can read their school book <u>or</u> 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 or bring in work to share whenever it is completed.

Our theme this term is... What caused the Great Fire of London?

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.

Useful links to support your child's learning:

https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/	https://	www.phonicsplay.co.uk/	https://www.purplemash.com/l	ogin/	
https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-ga	mes/	https://ttrockstars.com/	https://login.mathletics.com/	https://play.numbots.com/#/intro	