Year 2 Spring 1 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 term are:	Best ways to communicate with us:
Mrs Arlow – Cedar Class teacher Mrs Hill – Willow Class teacher Mrs Aghimein – KS1 Teaching Assistant	Twitter @CTS_Watford @MrsArlowCTS @MrsHillCTS Marvellous Me – make sure you have downloaded
Mrs Plummer – KS1 Teaching Assistant Miss Parles – Teaching Assistant	the App so you can see messages and badges that are sent regularly. Class door – catch us before or after school
Mrs Petrof - Higher Level Teaching Assistant Mr Hibbit – PE Coach Mrs Fisher – Higher Level Teaching Assistant Ms Hoare –Higher Level Teaching Assistant	 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.
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. 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.



Doors will open 8.49am
Register will be taken before 9am
Doors will be locked at 9.00am.

After 9am take your child to the office School will finish 3.15pm

PE kits must be in school at all times. We will be doing PE throughout the week.

The end of this school term falls on **16**th **February 2024**. We will be finishing school at 3:**15 pm** this 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)
- 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... How do living things survive in their habitat?

During this half term, we will be learning about how different animals survive in their habitats. We will be exploring the different climate zones, the different types of habitats in the local area and across the world as well as exploring how animals have adapted to these environments.

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://ttrockstars.com/ https://login.mathletics.com/ https://play.numbots.com/#/intro