

Year 2 Summer 1 Term Class Newsletter



CHERRY TREE
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Summer 1! We are so proud of what the children achieved in the Spring term and are looking forward to extending their learning even more, especially in the outdoor environment. 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.

Adults who will be working with your children this half term are:	Best ways to communicate with us:
<p> Miss Roberts – Cedar Class teacher Mrs Hill – Willow Class teacher Mrs Plummer – KS1 Teaching Assistant Mrs Herbert – SEN TA Mr Hibbit – Apex Sports Coach (PE) Mrs Petrof – Higher Level Teaching Assistant Ms Fisher – Higher Level Teaching Assistant </p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Twitter @CTS_Watford @Emma5Hills @MissRobertsCTS • Class door – catch us before or after school • Meeting - please arrange this with the school office or Class Teacher.
<p> Reading at Cherry Tree: Sharing high quality texts and diving into a good book is one of our favourite learning activities at Cherry Tree. Guided Reading text: The Hoghedge by Dick King Smith Writing inspiration texts: The Proudest Blue & Malala's Magic Pencil 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. Let us know if you need any recommendations of books to share with your child that link to their own interests and favourite genres. Please let us know if you are free to volunteer to listen to children read. </p>	<p> The School Day and Key Dates: Doors will open at 8:45am. Please be prompt as we have busy fingers between 8:45am and 8:55am. Our first lesson starts at 9:00am. School will finish at 3.15pm. Trip to the Mosque = Date to be confirmed PE is on Tuesday afternoons. Children will change at school. They may leave their PE kit at school on a Monday. Please make sure your children always have their kit in school. May bank holiday 5th May – school closed End of the first half of the Spring term is Friday 23rd May 3.15pm. </p>
<p> Home Learning: It is expected that... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children practise some Maths skills throughout the week (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/ tweet or bring in work to share whenever it is completed. </p>	
<p> Our theme this term is... Is life really that different in Pakistan? During this half term we will be exploring what life is like in Pakistan and supporting our children to make comparisons to our local environment. We would value any contributions from parents, carers or grandparents who have first hand experience of this incredible country, so please let us know if you would like to come in to speak to the children. We are mainly covering geographical and historical learning objectives, but the children will also be taught about music and art from Pakistan in addition to continuing to learn about the Islam faith. </p>	
<p> 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 </p>	