

# Year 2 Autumn 1 Term Class Newsletter




**CHERRY TREE**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to school! We are so pleased to have the children back, they have settled brilliantly and have really got stuck into their learning. We thought it would be helpful to give you an update on your child's learning this term and to provide you with some information.

If you wish to speak with us, please catch us at the classroom doors in the morning or after school or make an appointment to see us with the office. We would be happy to answer any questions you might have.

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| <b>Adults who will be working with your children this half term are:</b>   | <b>Best ways to communicate with us:</b>  |
| <p> <b>Miss Khan</b> – Cedar Class teacher<br/> <b>Miss Meldau</b> – Willow Class teacher<br/> <b>Miss Cirillo</b> – KS1 Teaching Assistant<br/> <b>Miss Fletcher</b> – KS1 Teaching Assistant<br/> <b>Mrs Aghimien</b> – Phonics Teaching Assistant<br/> <br/> <b>Mr Littleboy</b> – Higher Level Teaching Assistant<br/> <b>Mr Hibbit</b> – PE Coach<br/> <b>Mrs Petrof</b> – Higher Level Teaching Assistant<br/> <b>Ms Hoare</b> – Higher Level Teaching Assistant         </p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Twitter @CTS_Watford @MissKhanCTS @MissMeldauCTS</li> <li>• Marvellous Me – make sure you have downloaded the App so you can see messages and badges that are sent regularly.</li> <li>• Class door – catch us before or after school</li> <li>• Meeting - please arrange this with the school office or Class Teacher.</li> <li>• Please remember that the school office is closed and will also be by appointment only.</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Reading at Cherry Tree:</b>   | <b>The School Day and Key Dates:</b>  |
| <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.</p> <p>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>School starts at <b>8.50 am</b>. Please be prompt as we complete our morning task between <b>8:50am</b> and <b>9:00am</b>.</p> <p>School will finish <b>3.15 pm</b></p> <p>PE is on Wednesday and children will change at school. All PE kit should be named and left in school on your child's peg.</p> <p>October half term – Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October.</p> <p><b>We are a 'nut free' school as some children have severe nut allergies. Please check snacks and lunch boxes are 'nut free'.</b></p> |
| <b>Home Learning:</b>  |   |
| <p>It is expected that...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children practise some <b>Maths</b> skills throughout the week (Mathletics/ Times Table Rockstars/ NumBots)</li> <li>• Children <b>read</b> 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.</li> <li>• Children should practise reading and writing the Year 2 common exception words at home.</li> <li>• A '<b>Homework Menu</b>' will be sent home at the beginning of each half term. Please email/ tweet or bring in work to share whenever it is completed.</li> </ul> |   |
| <b>Our theme this term is... What is wonderful about Watford?</b>  |   |
| <p>In Geography we will look at maps and local landmarks. In History we will learn about how Watford has changed in the last 200 years and find out about some of the oldest buildings in Watford. We will also investigate how Watford Football Stadium has impacted our town. Please let us know if you have any useful information or resources!</p>  |   |
| <b>Useful links to support your child's learning:</b>  |   |
| <p> <a href="https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/">https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/</a>    <a href="https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/">https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/</a>    <a href="https://www.purplemash.com/login/">https://www.purplemash.com/login/</a><br/> <a href="https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/">https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/</a>    <a href="https://ttrockstars.com/">https://ttrockstars.com/</a>    <a href="https://login.mathletics.com/">https://login.mathletics.com/</a>    <a href="https://play.numbots.com/#/intro">https://play.numbots.com/#/intro</a> </p>   |   |

