

Year 5 Spring 1 Term Class Newsletter



CHERRY TREE
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents/Carers,

Hope you all had a lovely Christmas break! We are looking forward to starting the next half term as successfully as we finished 2022! Please find below all the relevant information for the coming half term.

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.

Adults who will be working with your children this half term are:	Best ways to communicate with us:
Miss Penfold - Pine Class Teacher and Phase Leader Miss Byrne - Fir Class Teacher Mrs Irwin – Support Staff Miss Coy – Support Staff Mrs Fisher – Higher Level Teaching Assistant Mr Littleboy – Higher Level Teaching Assistant Ms Petrof – Higher Level Teaching Assistant Mr Hibbit – Sports Coach Mrs Donald – 1:1 Miss Shuttleworth – 1:1 Mrs Shah – 1:1	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Twitter @CTS_Watford @MissPenfoldCTS @MissByrneCTS• Class door – catch us before or after school• Meeting - please arrange this with the school office or Class Teacher.• Marvellous Me
Reading at Cherry Tree:	The School Day and Key Dates:
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, gives them 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 should be brought into school each day along with their reading book. We request that parents sign or initial their child's reading record at least four times a week.	Doors will open 8.50am Register will be taken between 8.50am and 9am. Lessons commence at 9.00am. School will finish 3.15pm PE kits must be in school at all times. We will be doing PE throughout the week. End of term Friday 10 th February 2023. Finish at normal time.
Home Learning:	
It is expected that... <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Children practise their spellings and times tables throughout the week• Children read to an adult at home at least 4 times a week and that this is recorded in their reading record• Homework is completed on time and to a high standard As well as this, a 'Homework Menu' will be sent home at the beginning of each half term. The children will have a set number of activities to choose from to complete over the weeks. This is due in during the last week of the half term.	
Our themes this term are...	
In theme we are focusing on 'How are the Earth, sun and moon linked?' This will also be closely linked to our science topic about space.	
Useful links to support your child's learning:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• http://www.pobble365.com/ (talk/write about the picture of the day)• https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button• https://ttrockstars.com/• https://www.purplemash.com/login/	

Please remember that we are a '**NUT FREE**' school'. All snacks and packed lunches brought in from home **must not** contain any form of nuts. We have many children with us who are severely allergic to nuts and could experience extreme allergic reactions. Many thanks for your cooperation and understanding.