


# Year 3 Summer 1 Term Class Newsletter



**CHERRY TREE**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to school! We hope you have had a restful and enjoyable holiday. 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.

<p><b>Adults who will be working with your children this half term are:</b></p>	<p><b>Best ways to communicate with us:</b></p>
<p>Miss Merrill – Sycamore Class teacher Miss Watrasiewicz – Hazel Class teacher Mrs Irwin – Teaching Assistant Mrs Harrison – Teaching Assistant Mrs Petrof – Higher Level Teaching Assistant Ms Hoare – Higher Level Teaching Assistant Mrs Fisher – Higher Level Teaching Assistant Mr Hibbit – PE Teacher</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Twitter @CTS_Watford @MissMerrillCTS @MissWatraCTS</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> </ul>
<p><b>Reading at Cherry Tree:</b></p>	<p><b>The School Day and Key Dates:</b></p>
<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. 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>Doors will open at 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 at 3.15pm</p> <p>PE kits must be in school at all times. We will be doing PE throughout the week.</p> <p>Last day of term – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May at 3:15pm</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>
<p><b>Home Learning:</b></p>	
<p>It is expected that...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children practise their spellings every week and bring their Home Learning books in <b>every Friday</b>.</li> <li>• Children to use Numbots and TTRockstars for Maths and times tables practise throughout the week</li> <li>• Children read to an adult at home at least 4 times a week and that this is recorded in their reading record. Children should have their reading book and reading record in school every day.</li> <li>• Homework is completed on time and to a high standard</li> </ul> <p>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.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Our theme this term is...</b></p>	
<p><b>Our Theme this term is: Could you live in a remote mountain range?</b></p> <p>During this half term we will be investigating mountain ranges, with a particular focus on the Himalayas and Mount Everest. We will be exploring the physical geography of these places and looking at the features found within mountain ranges, as well as the human geography of the settlements around the Himalayas. We will also be exploring the story of Edmund Hillary and Sherpa Tenzing Norgay as they summited Mount Everest. In our English lessons, we will be taking inspiration from the text 'Pugs of the Frozen North' by Phillip Reeve. We will be writing a range of character descriptions and letters, as well as writing our own kennings. Our Science topic this half term is Light so we will be exploring reflection, night and day and what happens in the absence of light.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Useful links to support your child's learning:</b></p>	
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