



NEWSLETTER

30TH SEPTEMBER 2022

WELCOME

We were very pleased to share with you our Ofsted report this week which has now gone live on the Ofsted website.



Again, I would like to thank the efforts of our whole school community. It's a truly special place and our children and staff are happy here.

Sadly, we must say goodbye to Miss Cirillo today. Miss Cirillo is leaving us to work in a new pastoral role. We hope to see Miss Cirillo back one day but for now, we wish her lots of luck!

We will be celebrating Black History Month throughout October, please talk about this with your children and encourage them to be brave in their thinking and questioning over the course of this month.

We have received a few complaints regarding dogs waiting outside the school gates. Please leave your dogs a distance from the school gate where possible as some families are nervous and would like to keep their distance.

Cheska Tyler
Headteacher

ALLOTMENT PROJECT OPEN MORNING

On Tuesday 4th October we are inviting all Cherry Tree Year 3 parents to visit our allotment project. We want to celebrate our harvest and showcase the amazing things the children have been achieving.

Parents will be able to tour the site, join in with the children's activities, and enjoy a cup of hot soup made from the vegetables we have grown together. There might also be an apple pie or two! The allotment will be open from 9:30am to 11:30am.

We're looking forward to seeing you!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Monday 3rd October - Yr 3 visit to RAF Museum (Please remember your packed lunch)
- Tuesday 4th October - Yr 3 Allotment Project Open Morning
- Friday 7th October - Harvest Celebration
- Friday 14th October - Hello Yellow
- Tuesday 18th & Wednesday 19th October - Parents Evening
- Thursday 20th October - Friends Halloween Disco
- Friday 21st October - Last Day of Term (Finish 3.15pm)
- Monday 31st October - First Day of Term

ECO SCHOOLS AWARD

We are very pleased to announce that, due to the work of both the Eco Council and whole school community, the school has been awarded its very first Green Flag Award. This is awarded for work in three areas of choice. We chose to focus on litter, energy and our school grounds. The whole school worked to make sustainable changes in these areas including litter picks, energy monitors and planting.



A huge well done to all of our pupils and staff.

Lianne Arlow
Year 4 Class Teacher/Sustainability Lead

HARVEST CELEBRATION

We are excited to announce that we will be having a harvest celebration assembly on Friday 7th October 2022. The assembly will start at 9:15am and will last roughly 30 - 45minutes. Captain Mark Scoulding, who is one of our governors and leads the Watford Salvation Army, will speak in this assembly and each year group will perform a song about harvest or things we are thankful for. We would be delighted if you could attend our assembly, via a live zoom link, to watch your child perform their song.

As part of the celebration, we will collect donations for the Essentials Hub at Watford General. If you would be willing to donate, please send any items into school by Friday 7th October and we will pass them on to the Hub.

Miss Katy Wolstencroft
Class Teacher and KS1 Leader

We are kind, we aim high, we are brave!

BOOK CORNER

This week we were lucky enough to welcome the bestselling and multi award-winning author/illustrator of children's books Rob Biddulph to Cherry Tree. Our Key Stage 2 children had a fabulous morning with Rob illustrating, storytelling and singing along to one of his stories. You may recognise Rob because in May 2020 he broke the Guinness World Record for the largest online art lesson when 45,611 households drew a whale with him.



Rob has just written an amazing new adventure for Peanut Jones and this book is now on sale. We have a limited number of signed copies in school if you would like to purchase one.

As always Happy Reading everyone

Jane Sibbit
LKS2/ Reading leader/ Class teacher

PARENT CONSULTATION

Please check your emails for information about booking your parent consultation for Tuesday 18th October 2022 or Wednesday 19th October 2022.

Classrooms will be open for the duration of the evening and you are welcome to go to your child/ren's classroom to review their school books either before or after your consultation with their class teacher. Each appointment is 10 minutes long. Appointments can be booked, on a first-come-first-served basis, via Arbor by [clicking here](#).

FREE SCHOOL MEAL VOUCHERS

Herts County Council will be providing an individual £15 e-voucher, for October half term, for every child entitled to benefit related free school meals. Vouchers will be emailed to you from the 17th of October. Please claim your voucher so that we can assist you if you have any problems before the end of term.

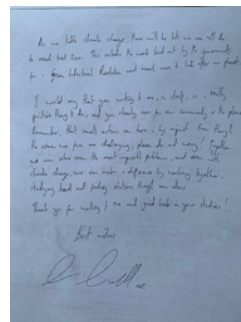
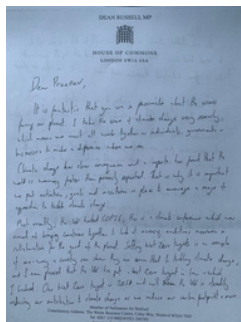
To check if your child is now eligible for FSM, please click [here](#).

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Looking for a new challenge? We are seeking someone superb to join our team as a SEN 1:1 Teaching Assistant. For more information [click the link](#)

ECO WARRIOR

Congratulations to Praanav who took the initiative and wrote to our local MP, Dean Russell, detailing his concerns about climate change. Mr Russell wrote back to Praanav to explain his views on this important topic and wishing him good luck in his studies.



Well done Pranaav!

SCHOOL TOURS

If you, or a friend, are looking for a Nursery we still have some funded places, for 15 or 30 hours, with both am and pm sessions available.

REGISTER FOR OUR SCHOOL OPEN DAY
School tours on Monday 10th October at 4pm or 6pm
or drop-in session on Friday 11th November from 9.00am until 11.30am
Book at www.cherrytree.herts.sch.uk/school-tours
Tel: 01923 245490 or Email admin@cherrytree.herts.sch.uk
Accredited the National Nurturing Schools Award

RECEPTION & NURSERY PLACES FOR SEPTEMBER 2023
WRAP AROUND CARE ALSO AVAILABLE

We are also showing those looking for places for Reception & Nursery in September 2023 our newly refurbished Nursery and outdoor learning space and have tours on Monday 10th October at 4pm or 6pm. We are also holding a drop-in session on Friday 11th November between 9am and 11.30am.

[Click this link](#) to book a space.



Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Bake Sale yesterday, making £90. It was fabulous to have so many new helpers - welcome to the team. Congratulations to Bella Mae in Year 1 who won a prize for her cake, and Year 1 who won some biscuits as a thank you for bringing in the most cakes.

Find out more about the Friends by following our Twitter account [@FriendsCTS1](#) or our Facebook account [Friends of Cherry Tree PTA](#).



TOP CHERRIES!



Our Top Cherry Award is an award to celebrate exceptional behaviour, learning or manners. These children really are going above and beyond!

Class	Child's Name	Reason
Red&Ready	Rosetta	For being an all-round fabulous colleague. We will miss you xx
Fireflies	Illythia	For aiming high and demonstrating perseverance whilst learning to whittle a stick.
Lunchtime	Summer-Rose & Sagaana	For being good role models on Reception playground.
Berries	Sybert	For settling into his new class so well.
Acorns	Kisany	For always being helpful and contributing at carpet times with good ideas.
Conkers	Ezmarelda	For showing a 'can do' attitude and trying her best in phonics.
Maple	Isabella	For consistently aiming high in lessons and being a fantastic role model for her friends in the class.
Birch	Halimah	For excellent enthusiasm in phonics and your reading group. You are making good progress with blending.
Cedar	Navya	For consistently demonstrating a positive attitude towards your learning and always aiming high.
Willow	Rachel	for always aiming high, for putting time and patience in to understand any concepts she finds tricky
Sycamore	Leone	For always Aiming High in class and at being kind at playtimes
Hazel	Matthew	For producing a fantastic portrait of Frida Kahlo in Art and also working very hard on learning and practising his spellings
Ash	Antonis	For aiming high with the letters we have been writing in English.
Yew	Jaydrien	For being kind to his friends and voluntarily helping out in the classroom.
Pine	Joshua	For always participating, aiming high and wanting to improve
Fir	Lillie	For being brave and participating a lot more in class. Keep it up!
Oak	Arisa	For having a great start to Year 6, settling so well and for clearly showing how confident she has become since the start of term.
Elm	Janushan	For always being enthusiastic during lesson time and contributing often in class discussions.

Well done, Cherries!



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