



NEWSLETTER

1ST OCTOBER 2021

WELCOME

I have lots I'd like to update you on following yet another busy week here at Cherry Tree.

I was approached by a group of parents with feedback on our school lunches this week. I would like to thank this group and reassure you that I have met this week with our managers from Chartwells and we have responded to your queries with a plan for the coming weeks. We will be reverting back to pizza every Monday (rather than 2/3) and fish every Friday. We are also going to send out a more detailed menu to parents explaining what the dishes are. Over the coming weeks, we are going to give our children the opportunity to sample some of the new dishes so they can decide for themselves if they would like to select them without having to have a whole meal. I'd like to also update you that last term, we regularly met with a group of children from across the school to taste menu options and to discuss their thoughts and ideas on our menus. Their ideas were reflected in the menu changes this term.

I'd like to remind parents of our school uniform expectations. This is detailed on our school website under our 'uniform' page. Please work with us to ensure our children are smart and wearing their uniforms with pride. Please also remember that if you would like financial support, to let us know.

It is London Marathon this weekend and Mr Gray (Head) and Mrs Ball (Assistant Head) from Laurance Haines will be running for the Salvation Army. Our children have all begun their Mini Marathons too so please talk to them about the event and try to show them some of the footage!

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Cheska Tyler
Headteacher

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

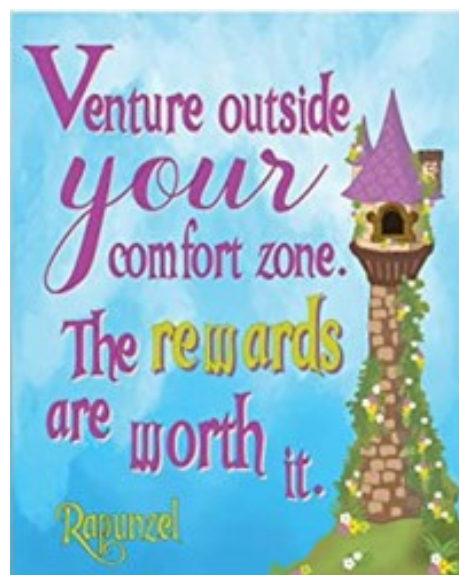
PASTORAL

Children are invited to wear YELLOW clothes instead of their uniform on Friday 8th October.

This is to raise awareness of Children's Mental Health and to support the Young Minds #HelloYellow 2021 campaign. We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £1 per family which we will pass on to the Young Minds Charity.



NURTURE CORNER



READING CORNER

Are there any carpenters out there? Are you able to help?
Our school library is in need of a bit of TLC!

We have a fabulous school library but want to give it a make over and ensure it is the very, very best place ever to go and visit in our school! You can help us achieve this if you have carpentry skills and are willing to give some of your time to come in and build some shelves and/or reading seating for the children to enjoy. Here are some ideas but feel free to be as creative as you want...



Please contact myself via the school office if you feel you can help with this exciting project!

Thanking you in advance...

Jane Sibbit
LKS2/ Reading leader/ Class teacher

'BEYOND THE BOOK' CLUB

Starting on Wednesday, 3rd November, we are introducing an after school 'Beyond the Book' club that will run from 3:15 to 4pm every Wednesday. This will be open to Year 1 and 2 children. There are limited spaces available. Please use the following link to register your interest.

<https://forms.office.com/r/jU398BaEZu>



VISITORS

All visitors should report to the School Office. Once you have dropped or collected your child, please leave the school grounds.

IMPORTANT ROADWORK INFORMATION

We have been advised that essential resurfacing work will be carried out on Berry Avenue on Thursday 7th October. This means that Berry Avenue will be closed to vehicles between 09.30 am and 4pm - this includes the section between the junction of Cherry Tree Road and our school. This will have a huge impact on collecting children at the end of the day. If you normally pick up by car, please consider an alternative method.



MOBILE PHONES/PHOTOS

Please could we ask volunteers not to take photos of children whilst on trips or helping with activities. You may photograph your own child but that is all. No other children must be in the background and photos must certainly never be shared as some children are not allowed to appear in photos that could be used on websites or outside of school. We would also ask volunteers to not have their phones visible when they are with the children.

PARTY INVITATIONS

As part of our inclusive approach to wellbeing, please could we ask parents to refrain from giving their children party invitations to hand out in class. This can cause unnecessary upset to some children. Please can any invitations be handed out outside of school. Thank you.

PE KITS



Please could we ask that all children have a PE kit in school every day as they may have PE on different days and sometimes, more than once a week! We are aware that some parents are still waiting for new stock to arrive, but in the meantime, please ensure your child has an appropriate PE kit in school.





TOP CHERRY AWARDS

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

Berries

Rhys - for working hard

Yahya I - for working hard

Johnny - for being able to retell a story

Ava and Hayli RA - for always following our beliefs and promises of being kind, brave and aiming high - you are super role models in Acorns class!

Sofia 1B - for consistently demonstrating that she 'aims high' and having fantastic presentation.

Abdur Rahman 2C - for working hard to improve his handwriting and being a great role model to his peers.

Ahaan 2W - for 'aiming high' in all his classwork and for his fantastic drawing talent that he has shared with his class. Well done, amazing artist.

Mirza 3H - for settling well into his new class and taking an active role in class discussions.

Rayan 3S - he has worked so well in English this week and has written a wonderful and detailed recount of our visit to Leavesden Country Park. Well done Rayan. Keep up the good work and remember to always 'aim high'.

Harley 4A - for consistent outstanding efforts across all subjects and his passion for languages.

Leo 4Y - for coming to school with a smile every day, aiming high in his work and being so helpful and polite.

Lamiah 4Y - for being an excellent role model and an absolute pleasure to have in the class.

Maxim 6E - for making a huge effort with his handwriting.

Ted 6O - for applying and challenging himself in his writing to build his stamina and attempting to include more challenging vocabulary and ideas.

Sophie and Billy 6O - for pushing themselves to improve each sentence and using examples of writing to magpie ideas from, making their writing a joy to read!

FUN LUNCH 7TH OCTOBER

We will be having a special fun lunch on Thursday 7th October available to all children, including those that do not currently have a school meal. Please see the email sent out earlier this week for more details.

YEAR 3 TRIP

This week Year 3 had a fantastic trip to Leavesden Country Park.

Whilst there, the children found out all about seeds and seed dispersal. Did you know that ragwort seeds are so poisonous they can kill a horse and that strawberries are the only fruit with its seeds on the outside? These are just two of the amazing facts we discovered.

The children were wonderful ambassadors for Cherry Tree School and had a great day out!

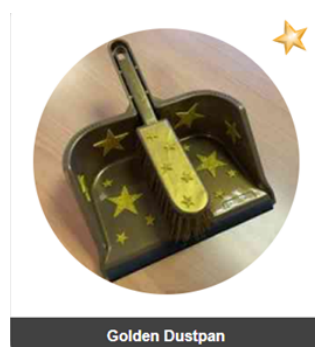


GOLDEN DUSTPAN WINNERS!

Our children are continuing to make an effort to keep their classrooms and cloakrooms hazard free!

This week's winners of the Golden Dustpan award are

HAZEL CLASS



WELL DONE!



EVERETT ROVERS FOOTBALL FIELD

We would like to thank parents for their consideration when walking across Everett Rovers football field. However, as we are now experiencing heavy rainfall, and this is likely to continue, we would respectfully ask that you walk around the playing fields when using the side entrance gate. The wetter weather combined with heavy footfall can cause damage to the playing fields.

We would also ask that you avoid using scooters and bikes to cross the field as they can cause even more damage and we really want to help Everett Rovers protect their field.

Thank you for your co-operation.

REVISED TERM DATES

The Queen's Platinum Jubilee public holiday celebration falls on June 3rd, 2022, which is during our half term. We will therefore be having an extra bank holiday on Thursday, 22nd June, 2022 and the school will be therefore be closed that day.

The revised term dates can be found on the school's website in the Parent information section under Term dates.

<https://www.cherrytree.herts.sch.uk/term-dates>

DIARY DATES

Fri 22nd October - School finishes for half-term
at 3.15pm

Mon 1st November - Autumn 2 Term starts



AUTUMN CAKE SALE

Firstly, we would like to say a huge 'Thank You' to the Friends' for organising this event.

We would also like to thank everyone who donated or bought cakes and are happy to announce that the sale raised £210!

We would also like to give a special 'shout out' to all of Year 4 for donating the most cakes!



MINI LONDON MARATHON

The Mini Marathon is back! This week children have begun taking part in the Mini London Marathon. To take part in the event and win their own certificate and a commemorative pin badge, the children will be running 2.6 miles over the course of the month with the event ending on Friday 22nd October. They can run or jog to complete it. The children loved completing the Mini Marathon last year, and this is a great opportunity for them to develop and improve their physical health and wellbeing.



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