

NEWSLETTER

15TH OCTOBER 2021

WELCOME

It has been a fantastic week for many of our Cherry Tree family, with regards to enrichment experiences. We are passionate about providing our children with the opportunities to experience new and exciting things, as well as develop their understanding of the world around us. We are extremely grateful to the staff at Cherry Tree for taking the time to organise all these additional activities that help the children to make connections, be inquisitive and that can inspire them in their life-long journey of learning.

We began the week with half of Year 6 spending the day at the Royal College of Music to take part in a celebration of brass day organised by Paul Fisher, our brass teacher, and Brass Bands England. The children had the incredible opportunity to perform on the same stage as many of the world's greatest musicians and join in with lots of musical workshops.

The other half of Y6 had an incredible afternoon at the Watford Colosseum today, listening to the pupils of The Purcell Music School perform music from a range of Disney films. They have been so fortunate to see live music in these two different forms.

We have been making the most of the glorious Autumn days and many of our children have been taking their learning outside. Y1 have done a fabulous job in clearing all the weeds from the edible garden and are thoroughly enjoying their forest school sessions with Mrs Sulaman. Ms Hoare has started running a forest school group and this week the children made some amazing journey sticks. We have even managed to take some of our phonics groups outside to develop their reading skills in the natural environment.





Years 2,3 and 6 have also had other visits in the local community which you can read about in this newsletter.

We continue to be so proud of the way our children represent their school so positively when we are out and about in the community.

What a busy week! Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Hill Assistant Headteacher

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

CHERRY TREE OPEN DAY



This event is taking place on Monday,18th October. Please tell all your friends,families or neighbours and ask them to come and visit our wonderful school!

THANK YOU!

A BIG thank you to Bev at ASDA who has donated lots of lovely decorations to the Friends for our Halloween disco!



NURTURE CORNER



READING CORNER

This week the children in Year 2 had a fantastic visit to North Watford library. They listened to stories read by the librarians there. They had the opportunity to browse through the amazing selection of books that the library has to offer and were able to use their Library Cards to bring books home to read with their families.

Follow this link to find out about our local library: <u>https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/libraries-and-archives/library-opening-hours/north-watford-library.aspx</u>

If you have not got a library card why not get one? They are free and open up a whole world of amazing books that you can borrow.

Follow this link to register for a Library Card; <u>https://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/services/libraries-and-archives/library-membership/library-membership.aspx</u>



We are making progress with updating our school library and would welcome any offer of help with making or fixing shelves, seating and units to make this a great space for our children to build on their love of reading.

Contact myself through the school office if you can help in any way.

Jane Sibbit LKS2/ Reading leader/ Class teacher Cherry Tree Primary School

PARENT/CARERS CONTACTS

It is vitally important we have correct contact details on Arbor in case of an emergency or we need to contact you regarding your child. There have been a few cases lately where we have been unable to contact parents/carers as the numbers we have are incorrect. Please can you check your details on Arbor by following this link:

PERFECT PITCH

Year 4 have enjoyed investigating how to create instruments from recycled materials with a focus on varying pitch. They worked hard asking pertinent scientific questions and enjoyed comparing their creations with other groups in the class. Thank you to all who brought in recycling materials, without these, this lesson could not have been as amazing as it was!

ALLOTMENT VISIT

Y3 visited the allotment on Tuesday morning to work alongside Mark and Grace from the Salvation Army. The children are continuing to learn about growing and working together in the natural environment.

FRIENDS OF HAREBREAKS WOOD

Hi Everyone,

Just a reminder that our last litter pick for 2021 will take place this Saturday 16th of October 2021. This litter pick is often another chance to investigate and enjoy fungus in the wood

As usual we will meet at St Marks car park at 1.30pm.

www.harebreakswood.org.uk

Steve Harvey Chair of Friends of Harebreaks Wood



FLU IMMUNISATIONS FOR CHILDREN IN RECEPTION TO YEAR 6

School Health have asked us to send out the following information in regards to the Nasal Flu Immunisation. This year school health are looking to offer the vaccine to all children in school on Tuesday 16th November.

Please note that the consent form needs to be completed by all, even if the recommended vaccination is being refused.

Paper copies of the consent form are available from the school office. Completed forms should be returned to by Monday 1st November.

https://cherry-tree-primary.uk.arbor.sc/



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

Mason - for 'being brave' to independently climb the ladder on the climbing frame

Anastasia - for always working hard and being a positive role model

Ibrahim - Acorns - for focusing well at carpet times and giving super contributions

Athavan and Albert - Conkers - for working really hard with their phonics and reading skills

Roheni - Y1 Maple - for always 'aiming high' and trying her best in phonics and applying it to her English writing

Alyaan - Y1 Maple - for always contributing and sharing his ideas during carpet time

Sara Magda - Y2 Cedar - for always aiming high and trying her best in her writing Leone - Y2 Cedar - for always aiming high in his learning and being a great role model

Daisy -Y2 Willow - for her consistent kindness and 'aiming high' across all of her subjects

Millie - Y3 Sycamore - for careful listening and focussed work in maths which has enabled her to 'aim high'

Kelsie - Y4 Ash - for always 'being kind' to all in class and helping others when they are finding things tough

Luca - Y4 Yew - for 'aiming high' and producing very good quality work in writing and Maths. Well done!

Summer-Rose - Y5 Fir - for 'aiming high' and persevering to produce a lovely persuasive letter to Aunt Carew.

Kelechi - Y5 Pine - for always 'aiming high' and working hard in every lesson. For always 'being kind' and respectful to everybody. Kelechi is a great role model and an absolute pleasure to teach.



SECONDARY AND UPPER SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2022

Please be aware that the deadline for applications to secondary and upper schools is fast approaching. If you have not already submitted an application for your child, you will need to make an application online or on paper by the closing date of Sunday 31st October 2021. We would recommend that you complete it by Friday 22nd October, so that if there are any queries, they can be dealt with by the Admissions Team ahead of the deadline.

You should apply online at

http://www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions or alternatively if you cannot access the internet, you can request a printed version of the website information and application from the Admissions and Transport Team by contacting them on 0300 1234 043.

DINGLE DANGLE!

Nursery and Reception have had great fun dressing up as farmers and scarecrows as part of our topic on Autumn and Harvest. We have been learning the song Dingle Dangle and have sent it to all the parents on Tapestry. Enjoy.



YEAR 6 GRAND UNION CANAL TRIP

Year 6 have been busy this week!

On Tuesday they walked a fantastic five miles from school, along the canal to Cassiobury Park and back again to see for themselves the history of the Grand Union Canal to enhance the learning in the classroom. They enjoyed talking to some of the boat people we passed to discover the purpose and length of their journeys. Some children even helped operate the lock gates!



CHERRY TREE FOOTBALL TEAM

Cherry Tree played their first football match against Laurance Haines on Wednesday and, despite playing their socks off, they lost the match 3-2. Mr Littleboy said the team all played amazingly but were up against a good team and a fantastic goalkeeper! Our team continues to 'aim high' and hopefully will win their next match. Well done Cherry Tree!

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

Year 3 Sycamore

SPOOKY HALLOWEEN BALL!

The Friends are holding a Halloween disco for children in Years 2 to 6 on Wednesday 20th October.

Tickets cost \pounds 7.50 per child or a special sibling group rate of \pounds 20 for 3+ children.

The price includes pizza, drinks, fruit, crisps biscuits and glow sticks. There will also be a fancy dress/best dressed competition as well as other games and prizes.

Completed slips and payment should be returned to the office by Monday, 18th October, or you may wish to pay by bank transfer to Cherry Tree School PTA, account number 80780200, sort code 20-91-79 - using your child's name as reference.

UPCOMING FRIENDS' EVENTS

Craft Pumpkin Competition - Children - get creative and design some pumpkin inspired art using recyclable materials you can find around the home. Bring them to school on Monday 18th to be judged and 4 lucky winners

Christmas Market - the Friends will be holding a Christmas Market on 10th December. Stalls are available and a flyer

will be announced at the Spooky Ball Disco!

with more information was recently sent out.

Last, but not least, Cherry Tree would like to

Premises Manager, Blazej Sawicki. He is already working very hard to help keep our school running

extend a very warm welcome to our new

WELCOME!

smoothly.

Please note this is a business account.



Golden Dustpan

WELL DONE!

DIARY DATES

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

Mon 1st November - Autumn 2 Term starts

Diary Dates



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