

AUTUMN
2018



Cherry

CLASS NEWSLETTER

Family Wall

As it is the start of another term, I ask all new families to bring in a family photo to go on our family wall. This is a great talking point in the home corner when showing each of our friends our family and to also look at something familiar in a new environment. *If you could bring in a photo that would be wonderful.*

Blog

Don't forget to check out the **Cherry Class blog** on the school website - it will be under class pages. Check out the fabulous pictures and videos of your children.

Payments

Parents are requested to make payments at least a week in advance. You can make online payments via the website, schoolmoney.co.uk or via school office. I have sent out passwords and user names. If you have yet to receive yours, please give me a shout and I will resend them. Remember you will still be charged if your child is off/ill as you have booked your slot. *Thank you.*

Weather

As we are heading into winter, can we please **make sure children are wrapped up for outdoor activities**, as we take full advantage of the winter weather – it's a huge part of their learning about the environment and the world around them. Also, while we are on the subject, **if the school**

Hello everyone and welcome back!

I hope you all have had a lovely half term. A huge hello to our new families and welcome to Cherry Class at Swansfield Park Primary School. I will write you all a newsletter each half term to keep you updated with information regarding school or playgroup.



was to ever close due to weather or any other circumstances playgroup will also be closed.

School bags

Thank you to all the parents who have their children's school bags very organised. Just a reminder that your child will need a full set of spare clothes including socks, your child's preferred wipes, and nappies. Some of you have yet to bring in your child's daily diary – please can you bring them back each session to be updated as this is a way of communicating with parents and to record evidence.

Holiday/Absence

Please can all parents phone the Tic Toc/Cherry number to get Cherry Class direct (on 606032) if you need to inform us of your child's absence.

If you are aware you are taking holidays and have not yet told us, please do as then I am not chasing parents of your child's absence. If you cannot catch us, please contact the school office - *thank you.*

Learning & Development

This term we will be focusing on the story **The Gingerbread Man**. We will also continue to learn about **the seasons from Autumn to Winter** and, towards the end of the term, we will be doing **lots of Christmas activities**. Any lovely things you do at home regarding these topics please bring them in or add them to their learning journal.

Junk modelling (things we need):

- Cereal Boxes
- Tubes (not toilet rolls)
- Bottle tops
- Cardboard/card
- Tin foil
- Yoghurt pots

Learning Journals

Every child now has a **journal** – thank you to those parents who contribute to your child's journal. It is great for staff to see what you child can do at home and gives us a lovely insight to home life. If you have not already contributed to your child's journal, it would be great for parents/carers to have a go as their learning is just as important at home as it is at playgroup.

Transitions

Yes – it's that term where some of our Cherries will be leaving us to become Apples. We use this term to transition the children over to school to provide a smooth transition into Nursery. Look out for more information in your child's daily diary to see how they got on. Your child's new teachers will be **Mrs Grimes** and **Miss Freeman**, supported by **Kerry**, **Amy** and myself (**Claire H**). You will also see Jenny C and Claire W at lunch times.

Holiday Dates

We break up Friday the 21st of December 2018 and return to school on Monday the 7th of January 2019.



From all the staff at Cherry Class: we hope you have a lovely Christmas and New Year.

