

**SPRING TERM
2020
NEWSLETTER 7
Friday, 10th
January**

CHERRY TREE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Our Mission Statement

Bringing out the best in each other as we blossom and grow

Our Values

*Happy, Aspirational, Resilient, Independent,
Open-minded, Compassionate*



SCHOOL NEWS

NEW YEAR- 2020

A very Happy New Year to everyone. The staff and I would like to thank you for the many Christmas cards, gifts and messages sent to our staff, we are all very appreciative of your kindness and ongoing support.

I hope you had a relaxing and enjoyable Christmas holiday and a chance to recover from any germs that seemed to be infecting the North West! The children have returned to school happy and healthy and our attendance figures have improved again. (A reminder that holidays in term time are unauthorised.)

Staffing News

Mrs Kennedy continues to be unwell and has been signed off work until after the February half term break. Mrs Kinzett is also still poorly and off work until the end of January. Arrangements for Class F and Class 1 remain as they are, with Mrs Baines full time in Class F and Mr Hughes full time in Class 1.

Mrs Barton and her new baby boy are doing really well! We are all looking forward to meeting him soon. Here is a photo of the gorgeous, 7 week old Billy Barton:



Support from Our Local Co-op

REMINDER: We are one of the chosen 'causes' eligible for funds from the Co-op via their community scheme. **Please help us out by becoming a member and selecting our school PTA as your chosen charity.** It is really easy to become a member and you will not only pledge money to our cause, but will also earn money for yourself. The link is available via ParentApps.



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

New items that have been added since the dates were published have been included in *red italic text*.

		Events for Children/Staff	Events for Parents	PTA Events
14 January 2020	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Y4 Swimming starts</i>		
15 January 2020	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Whole School watching theatre production in school - 'Pinocchio'</i>		
16 January 2020	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Themed School Meal New Year at Cherry Tree</i> Y1 Staircase House trip		
17 January 2020	<i>Fri</i>		Y5 parents are invited to join their children for lunch	
18 January 2020	<i>Sat</i>			
19 January 2020	<i>Sun</i>			
20 January 2020	<i>Mon</i>	<i>'Open the Book' assembly</i>		
21 January 2020	<i>Tue</i>			
22 January 2020	<i>Wed</i>			

23 January 2020	Thu			
24 January 2020	Fri		Y4 parents invited to attend our weekly Praise Assembly at 2pm	
25 January 2020	Sat			
26 January 2020	Sun			
27 January 2020	Mon			
28 January 2020	Tue			
29 January 2020	Wed		Y4 parents are invited to join their children for lunch Last date for Parent Forum agenda items to be submitted	
30 January 2020	Thu			
31 January 2020	Fri	Young Voices at MEN	Y1 Class Assembly 9:15am	
01 February 2020	Sat			
02 February 2020	Sun			
03 February 2020	Mon	<i>'Open the Book' assembly</i>		
04 February 2020	Tue			
05 February 2020	Wed	<i>Themed School Meal: Chinese New Year</i>	Parent Forum at 7pm	
06 February 2020	Thu			
07 February 2020	Fri	Y6 Emotional Health Workshop		Quiz & Curry Night (adults only)
08 February 2020	Sat			
09 February 2020	Sun			
10 February 2020	Mon			
11 February 2020	Tue			
12 February 2020	Wed			
13 February 2020	Thu			
14 February 2020	Fri		Y2 Class Assembly, 9:15am	

Themed Lunches

Our school cook, Donna is keen to make school meals exciting, (in addition to them being delicious!). Each half term she has planned at least one themed lunch menu. This half term we have a themed day next week when we will celebrate all that is special and unique about Cherry Tree. The menu has a red and green/Cherry Tree flavour-see ParentApps for the exact menu. Later in the half term we have a Chinese New Year themed day. Look out for more deliciously different menus later in the year!

Parent Forum Meeting- Wednesday, 5th February at 7pm

All parents are welcome to attend the termly Parent Forum meetings. Parents are invited to submit agenda items a week in advance. If you have any items which you would like adding to the agenda for our forthcoming meeting, please forward them to our Parent Forum chair, Gillian Shaw gillianelizabethshaw@gmail.com by 9am on Wednesday, 29th January The agenda will then be published on Friday, 31st January.

KS 2 Residential Visits

We have three residential trips planned for the coming year as follows:

Year 4- Burwardsley, Team Building

on 23rd and 24th March

Year 5- The Conway Centre, Anglesey, Adventurous Activities

on 27th to 29th of April

Year 6- London, Sightseeing and Theatre Trip

May 2020, dates to be confirmed

PTA NEWS

Forthcoming PTA Events		
Event	DATE & TIME	Details
Quiz and Curry Night	Friday, 7 th February (evening)	Details on ParentApps, book via ParentPay
PJs and Popcorn	Wednesday, 4 th March (5-7pm)	Details to follow
Chocolate Bingo	Wednesday, 1 st April	Details to follow

REMINDERS

Praise Assembly Invite

As previously mentioned, parents of each class are invited to come along to our Friday praise assembly once during the year. This is not a class assembly, just a chance for you to join in the celebration.

Class	Date and Time
Class 4	Friday, 24 th January at 2pm
Class 3	Friday, 28 th February at 2pm
Class 2	Friday, 20 th March at 2pm
Class 1	Friday, 24 th April at 2pm
Class F	Friday, 19 th June at 2pm

Lunch Invitation for Parents

- Class 5 parents on Friday, 17th January
- Class 4 parents on Wednesday, 29th January
- Class 3 parents on Wednesday, 26th February
- Class 2 parents on Wednesday, 1st April
- Class 1 parents on Wednesday, 6th May
- Class F parents on Wednesday, 10th June

Future Holiday Camp dates are as follows:

Term	Holiday	Dates
Spring Term	February Half Term	Monday, 17 th to Thursday, 20 th
	Easter Holiday	Monday, 6 th to Thursday, 9 th April then Tuesday, 14 th to Thursday, 16 th
Summer Term	Whit Holiday	Tuesday, 26 th to Thursday, 28 th May then Monday, 1 st June to Thursday, 4 th June
	Summer Holiday	First three weeks of the holiday.

- Please support our campaign for safer parking along Hardy Road and park with due consideration to the safety of our children and with respect for our neighbours.
- Please maintain our high standards by ensuring your child is wearing the correct school uniform, has black school shoes and their water bottle and PE kit with them in school each day. Hair accessories are to be in school colours and kept to a minimum size. Large brightly coloured headbands and bows are not allowed.
- Children **SHOULD NOT RIDE BIKES, SCOOTERS OR PLAY FOOTBALL on the playground** at the beginning or end of the school day- this is for the safety of all of our children and visitors.
- We pride ourselves on encouraging healthy habits at Cherry Tree. May I remind you that we have a healthy food policy; 'fruit/veg and water' are the only items allowed as snack/drink during the school day. In addition, should your child have a packed lunch, we encourage healthy eating at lunchtimes too so sweets should not be included in the packed lunch. Please support us in helping your children to develop healthy habits for life.

FINALLY...

We have a fantastic community of children, parents, staff and governors at Cherry Tree. I am confident that we will continue to go from strength to strength in 2020. If you have any ideas regarding how we could further improve or develop, please come along to our termly Parent Forum meeting where the agenda is set by parents. If you have a more urgent concern, do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher, a member of the office team or myself. Our aim is to work closely with all of our parents for the benefit of your children.

Kind regards,



Helen Graham
Head Teacher