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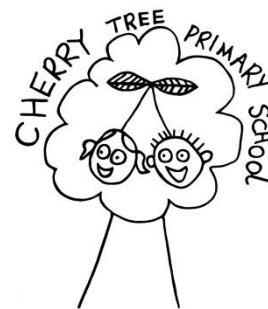
CHERRY TREE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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

Commemoration for our Late Chair of Governors Sheila Woodyatt

I am really pleased to inform you that our wonderful School Council raised £428 at the recent non-uniform day and cake sale. As we are able to reclaim VAT, this will mean that the children can choose story seat to commemorate Sheila Woodyatt up to the value of £500. The image attached shows the kind of seat we are looking for. We already have some tree stumps which will make great stools. If any of you have contacts that would enable us to get best value for money, please let us know.



Parents' Evening

Attendance was high at our recent parents' evening. Thank you for your willingness to work with us for the benefit of your children. Effective communication between parents and staff is really important; parents evening is one of the main vehicles for this communication. I received some positive feedback from parents and there was an atmosphere of pride. Thank you for your support.

Class F Balance Bike Event

Our Class F children were highly praised for their excellent behaviour and attitude on Wednesday. The Bike Right team leader gave me the following feedback:

"We go to many, many schools to deliver Bike Right Courses but the behaviour of the children in Class F was the best we have seen. Their listening was excellent and their willingness to answer questions and the answers they gave, was of a really high standard. Some were nervous to begin with but they were very resilient and didn't give up."

Mrs Kennedy and I are very proud of all the children in Class F.

Playtimes

As our grounds are still quite saturated, children are allowed to bring a change of shoes, trainers or wellies for playtime. This will hopefully protect their shoes and our carpets!

Change 4 Life

I am pleased to pass on the following feedback regarding our Change 4 Life club:

"The Year 5 'champions' are in charge of the Change 4 Life Club and they've been absolutely brilliant. They've turned up on time with ideas and activities organised. I've been so impressed. Our numbers attending from Y3 and Y2 have grown too. Thanks to Mrs Fothergill too who has been involved in the 'play leaders' scheme as this has clearly trained the children well for C4L!" Georgina Walker- parent governor.

Parent Forum Meeting

Ten parents attended our Spring Term Parent Forum meeting. The full minutes can be found on our school website under the Parent Tab.

Road Safety/Parking

The winners of the road safety competition, Oliver Clemens and Nell Watt, have had their designs made into two new signs attached to our perimeter fence encouraging road safety and safer parking. Please have a look! Our PCSO continues to make regular visits and carries out patrols with our two junior road safety officers. Parking issues have not been entirely resolved but I know the majority of you do support us by parking safely and considerately.

Cashless Catering

Thank you for your co-operation in our switch to cashless catering. This has gone smoothly and will be more convenient for parents and staff.

WhatsApp Groups

I have mentioned in a previous newsletter (No 8) about gaining accurate information from school rather than relying on social media that is not set up by school. Please can I remind you, that all parents have signed up to our Home School Agreement which states:

- Social media should not be used by any member of the Cherry Tree community (pupils, parents, school staff) to post negative or malicious comments about other members of the school or its associates. As a parent/carer I agree to use the correct channels to communicate any concerns or issues I may encounter.

At the heart of everything we do, is the pastoral care and education of your children. We all work very hard to ensure high quality and standards are maintained. If you have a concern, please approach us, and we will help as soon as we are able.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Allotment Re-Build- Saturday, 17th March, 9am to 3pm

You may remember that we began to collect bricks and wood to rebuild some of the allotment planters.

As spring approaches, we are ready to begin this work. Jan Daniel, our allotment co-ordinator, will be organising a re-build day on Saturday, 17th March, between 9am and 3pm. If you are able to help on this day for a couple of hours, we would be very grateful. Please could you inform school or if you would like to know more information contact Jan directly via email: Jandaniel@btinternet.com Tracy, our cook will provide any volunteers with a bowl of delicious homemade soup- how could you resist?! ;-)

Easter Holiday Camp

There are still places available at our Easter Multi-sports camp with Dave Earnden Coaching. The camp will run on Monday, 9th April until Tuesday, 17th (7 days) with the cost being £15 per day. Tom Morris who is our sports coach will be one of coaches running the event.

Bookings can be made in a variety of ways:

- Online at www.daveearndencoaching.com
- Via Twitter on dave@daveearndencoaching.com
- Directly with Dave on mobile 07532 004769.
- Or by sending in the registration form to School.

Please book by 30th March.

Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 Residential Visits

Our Year 4 children are looking forward to their trip to the Burwardsley centre in Cheshire on Wednesday, 28th March until Thursday, 29th March. This is a one night stay including a visit to Peckforton Castle where the children will have a tour. They will then walk back to the Burwardsley Centre. The evening will be filled with a woodland art activity, songs, and toasting marshmallows around a campfire. The following morning the children will take part in team building activities and orienteering run by staff at the centre.

Our Year 5 children have a residential trip booked to Anglesey at the Conway Centre on Monday, 23rd April until Wednesday, 25th April. They will be involved in a variety of adventurous activities such as, sailing, climbing and zip wire.

In just over two months, our Year 6 children will be having an overnight stay in London. During their visit to our capital city they will go to the theatre to see the new West End version of 'Matilda', take a trip on the London Eye and a Thames River Boat Cruise.

PTA NEWS



100 Club money to date

Thank you to those of you who have joined the Cherry Tree 100 Club. The autumn term brought us a profit of £280, and twelve of our members were winners over the course of the four draws. By the end of the academic year, we will have made a profit of £840 and many more winners. The chances of winning are high as this is a 'private lottery'. Please support our school in this easy way by joining our 100 Club. Information can be picked up from school.

Quiz Night

Thank you to our PTA for the recent Quiz Night which was held at the Heritage Centre. The PTA raised a fantastic total of £471 which is a significant increase on last year's quiz night profit. Thank you to the PTA members and especially Joanna Denton, Kerry Spink, Vicki Inskip and Jo Lubbock who organised a very successful event. Our cook Tracy made a delicious chilli which was included in the ticket price- this was enjoyed by all!

Mother's Day Flowers

A number of children have purchased beautiful Mother's Day plants today. Thank you to Helen Nelson, Jo Lubbock and Kerry Spink for organising this and to Welsh's Florists for supplying the plants at cost, their combined efforts have enabled us to raise over £160 and hopefully to make lots of mothers happy!

PTA Meeting- Tuesday, 13th March

Our next PTA meeting is at 7:30pm-9pm on Tuesday, 13th March. All are welcome to come along to this meeting which will be held at school.

Forthcoming PTA Events		
Event	DATE & TIME	Details
PTA Meeting	Tuesday, 13 th March	All welcome, held at school
Non-Uniform Day	Friday, 23 rd March	A family event
Chocolate Bingo	Tuesday, 27 th March	Details to follow
PTA Meeting	Wednesday, 2 nd May	All welcome, held at school
May Queen Parade	Saturday, 19 th May (afternoon)	Details to follow
Cherry Tree Party Night (Adults)	Date to be confirmed	Adults only
Ladies Lunch at Lymm Rugby Club	Friday, 15 th June	Ladies only
Junior Fun Night	Wednesday, 20 th June	Children only
Summer Fair/Festival	Saturday, 7 th July	A family event

SPORTING NEWS

Another sporting success- we recently came first in the Lymm cluster Netball competition which took us through to the Warrington league final where we narrowly missed a place in the top three. Our netball team worked hard and made us all very proud.

Forthcoming Competitions				
SPORT	DATE & TIME	YEAR GROUP	VENUE	TRANSPORT
Cross Country	Monday, 12 th March 3pm- 5:30pm	Year 5 & Year 6	Lymm High School	To be arranged by parents

AND FINALLY...

I wish everyone a lovely Spring weekend and an enjoyable Mother's day, whatever you choose to do be it relax or celebrate!

Kind regards,



Helen Graham
Head Teacher

Class Assemblies 2017-18		
Term	Class	Date
Spring 2	Class 3	Friday, 23 rd March at 9:15am
Spring 2	Class 4	Friday, 6 th April at 9:15am
Summer 1	Class 5	Friday, 11 th May at 9:15am
Summer 1	Class F	Thursday, 24 th May at 9:15am