

**AUTUMN TERM
2020-21
NEWSLETTER 4
Tuesday,
22nd September**

CHERRY TREE PRIMARY SCHOOL



Our Mission Statement

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

Our Values

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

SCHOOL NEWS

Monday, 21st September 2020

Dear Parents and Families,

I am sure you will agree that we are experiencing challenging times at the moment. You will see from the news that Warrington currently has a high infection rate and more stringent measures will be in place from Tuesday, 22nd September. I suspect we will all have to draw on our resilience stores again. However, I am confident that we will try to support each other as a community as we all work together to safeguard children, young people and adults.

With that in mind, thank you for doing your best to keep a safe distance from one another at drop off and collection time.

As per the letter from the council leaders we circulated this morning, any visitor or parent who need to come into the school building must now wear a face covering.

We must remember to celebrate the successes and to focus on the good things around us; of which there are many. Here are some of our successes of the term so far:

- ✓ 100% of our children have returned to face to face schooling. None of our families have opted to home educate their children. As I have said before, the trust you place in us is very much appreciated.
- ✓ Our new Class F children are delightful. They have adapted very quickly to being in full time education and are a happy, confident class.
- ✓ Class 6 visited Safety Central last week and were praised for their excellent knowledge of safety in the home, including how to check a smoke detector.
- ✓ By coming into school wearing PE kit on the days that they do PE, we have increased the amount of time that children spend being physically active. 😊 It can take some of our children quite a while to get changed which eats into their PE lesson.
- ✓ Each class is taking part in a whole school challenge to run to Tokyo (virtually). We aim to run a total of 5877 miles, in order to reach Tokyo!
Children are accumulating miles by running around our track. Some very keen runners run over 2 miles each time they use the track. For example, Toby Harrison runs at least ten laps whenever Year 3 use the running track. One of our younger classes is currently accumulating the most miles! Well done Class 2!
- ✓ Our last Book Fair generated, £1300 commission thanks to parental support. We have purchased a set of atlases for KS1 and more complex ones for KS2. We have also used the commission to buy specific library books targeted at avid readers and some books to link with class topics being covered.

REMINDER:

Please keep the amount of things that your child brings to school to a minimum. Remember to label ALL your child's belongings, especially under current circumstances.

Run to Tokyo Leader Board

Current position	Class	Number of miles
1 st place	2	177
2 nd place	3	166
3 rd place	1	94

- ✓ Warrington Wolves coaches are taking our KS2 classes for a non-contact rugby lesson once per week. The lessons are fun and enjoyable.
- ✓ Our Year 6 children are taking part in a BikeRight course this week. They are learning how to ride a bike safely and will be taught the following core skills:
 - how to be observant when out on their bike;
 - the correct cycling position;
 - who has priority on the road and
 - good communication with other path/road users.

So as you can see, we have a lot to be thankful for!

How do we use 'SeeSaw'?

All parents should now be set up with a SeeSaw account enabling them to view posts from their child or teacher/TA. If you are not able to use SeeSaw in this way, please contact school and someone will be able to help you.

What SeeSaw is used for:



- ✓ View photos of your child during school time
- ✓ See work that has been set
- ✓ Read reminders about upcoming events
- ✓ Homework may be set via SeeSaw

What SeeSaw is NOT used for:



- Please do not use SeeSaw to notify of any absences; our office team do not have access to class SeeSaw accounts.

ParentApp is the correct avenue to record an absence or appointment.






NEW ROUTINES and SAFETY MEASURES

Can my child bring a bag (other than a small bag/book bag) to school?

Ideally no. With a one-way system in place and the need to social distance, we need to free up space by limiting the amount of things that children bring to school. Book bags are ideal to carry reading books/reading diaries to and from school.

What shall my child bring to school each day?

All your child will need is:

	A fruit or veg snack	<i>Children in YF, 1 and 2 will receive one piece of fruit or veg for free- please supply a second. KS2 children need one or two fruit/veg snacks for break time.</i>
	A water bottle	<i>Clearly labelled- this is essential to avoid cross contamination. The type of bottle that can spray water should not be sent into school.</i>
	A coat	<i>Many lessons, especially PE lessons will take place outside. Being outdoors has many health benefits, plus is safer during a pandemic.</i>
	Packed lunch if not having school dinners	<i>Alternatively, school meals can be ordered daily and paid for via Parent Pay.</i>
	Spare trainers for use on our running track	<i>We aim to use the running rack as often as possible to help our children develop fitness and stamina.</i>

Reminder: When does my child need to wear their PE kit?

Children can come into school in their PE kit, on the days that they have PE, and stay in their kit for the full day. We also use the running track frequently therefore if your child has a spare pair of trainers, it would be really helpful if they could bring these to school with a pair of socks and leave them in school. Please ensure all belongings are labelled.

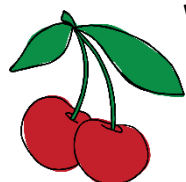
Our PE timetable is as follows:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		Y2		Y1
	YF	Y3	Y5	Y6
Y3	Y4	Y1	YF	Y2
Y4		Y6		Y5

Children in Key Stage 2

Thank you to the families who are dropping children off on Hardy Road and allowing their children to walk onto/off site by themselves. This is really helping to build their self-confidence and also to reduce the number of people on the playground. We have staff on duty on the playground and at the porch doors to ensure the children go inside promptly.

FUTURE EVENTS



Welcome Back to Cherry Tree- Themed Lunch

On Thursday, 1st October we will be holding a Welcome Back to Cherry Tree Themed Lunch. The kitchen will be decorated and the menu for this day will be an 'All Day Breakfast' (Sausages, bacon, egg, beans, hash brown, with a vegetarian option and vegan options available too.) For dessert there will be a Cherry Tree themed cake.

Class 2 Visit to Manchester Airport

On Tuesday, 13th October, Class 2 will visit Manchester Airport as part of their topic about travel and transport. They will find out about the history of flight and have a look inside an aeroplane. More details to follow.

Wishing you all a happy and healthy week.

Kindest regards,



Helen Graham
Head Teacher

Please feel free to contact me with any queries, CherryTree_Primary_Head@warrington.gov.uk