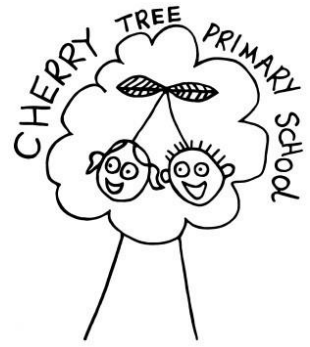


**SPRING TERM
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Friday, 1st
April**

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

Friday, 19th March 2021

Dear Parents and Families,

As we approach the end of the Spring Term 2021, we have been reflecting upon what has been an unusually challenging term for all of us!

With true team spirit across our whole school community, we managed to turn a challenge into an opportunity to work in a new way, while keeping everyone safe from Covid-19. The effort required from everyone cannot be under-estimated. On Monday I met with our School Improvement Partner Liam Trippier. He visited every class, spoke to children, observed children during lessons, met with staff, scrutinised pupil workbooks and was given an oversight of the remote teaching and learning that had taken place during lockdown.

I am proud to tell you that Liam informed me that of the 40 school he works with across the North West region, our remote learning offer was one of the best and had resulted in the children being able to maintain progress. 😊



Homework/Reading

As our children have completed a huge amount of work 'at home' recently, we are not setting the usual amount of homework until after the Easter break. However, we would like the children to continue to read on a regular basis (Three or more times a week ideally). Please record your child's reading practice at home in their 'Reading Record Book' as this is how the class teacher/TA knows that reading books need to be changed. If there is no written comment or signature in the reading record book, we can only assume that the books have not yet been read therefore new ones will not be issued. We will issue three books a week to children in the youngest classes, if they are reading regularly, as evidenced by parental comments in the 'Reading Record'.

Extra-Curricular Clubs

We are very fortunate to have an extensive list of extra-curricular clubs on offer for your children.

The current clubs that children are signed up for have ONE MORE WEEK to run after the Easter break; week commencing 19th April.

Our new club list for next half term has been launched. The new clubs will start the week commencing 26th April.



Easter EGGStravaganza

The Easter themed event yesterday was a resounding success! Children in all year groups had lots of fun and we have raised a total of £925 for the PTA! If you have not already paid for the Easter Eggstravaganza, you can still do so via ParentPay.

This fully inclusive way of organising fundraising events during the school day is proving to be successful and is a positive outcome of the pandemic.

Book Appeal Update

We have purchased a total of £3,000 of reading scheme books and fiction books, which cater for the needs of each class. Next half term we will be supplementing our non-fiction books with texts relevant to National Curriculum topics covered across the year groups. Thank you once again for your generous donations.

FUTURE EVENTS

Residential Visits

NEW DATE: Year 6 will visit the Conway Centre, Anglesey for two nights on Monday, 5th to Wednesday, 7th July and Year 5 will spend one night at Burwardsley on Thursday, 24th to Friday 25th June. Further information has been sent out to the parents of these children. Please make any outstanding payments for these trips via ParentPay.

PTA NEWS


Forthcoming PTA Events		
Event	DATE & TIME	Details
Virtual Pet Show	Friday, 30 th April	During the school day, details on ParentApp.
Book Club with the Author	Wednesday, 5 th May	See flier for details. Book via ParentPay.
Infants PJs and Popcorn Night	Thursday, 13 th May	5-7pm Children only.
Junior Fun Night	Wednesday, 26 th May	5:30pm to 7pm, for Year 3 to Year 6.
Non-Uniform Day	Friday, 2 nd July	Tombola donations please.
Summer Fair	Sunday, 4 th July	Details to follow nearer the time.
Ice-Pop Friday	Friday, 16 th July	Details to follow nearer the time.

Cherry Tree PTA presents
a Book Club with a difference

Book Club with the Author

Wednesday 5th May at 8pm

IN CONVERSATION WITH
KATHRYN MANNIX ON HER BOOK
'WITH THE END IN MIND'



'It's a simple truth we all die'.
With her skilled way of writing and
experience as palliative care
consultant working in the NHS,
Kathryn's Sunday Times
Bestselling book is an 'attempt to
capture the wisdom of dying and
death, distilled into stories that
take us to those places we believe
are too dark to endure, and yet
that are illuminated by human
resilience, hope and love.' Come
with Kathryn to visit these
extraordinary dying people. They
are just like you.

Tickets £5 (£5.85 via Eventbrite)
For Cherry Tree Parents please
purchase your tickets through
ParentPay.
For those outside of school tickets
can be purchased through
Eventbrite, contact
vardye@gmail.com for details
Once registered you will be sent a
zoom link.

Registered Charity Number 1019937

**The next PTA meeting is on
Tuesday, 11th May at 7:30pm**

*Everyone is welcome to join our PTA. Please
contact our PTA chair, Mark Swettenham if
you would like to attend the meeting via
cherrytreePTA@gmail.com
Zoom links will be sent to everyone who has
expressed an interest.*

FINALLY

Have a wonderful Easter break! I hope you manage to get together with friends or family as the restrictions begin to lift. I shall look forward to seeing the children again on Monday, 19th April.

Kindest regards,



Helen Graham
Head Teacher

**Please feel free to contact me with any queries,
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