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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, 21st May 2021

Dear Parents and Families,

Within this newsletter you will find information about upcoming events. It is our pleasure to be able to share details of trips and events that are for the benefit of our children helping to enrich their education. We are excited to once again be able to organise activities beyond the school environment or beyond normal school hours. Our appreciation of these opportunities has never been greater.

IMPORTANT: Residential Visits- change of plan

Sadly, the company that we booked our residential visits through, has cancelled

both the Year 6 and the Year 5 residential visits planned for the next half term. Edsential who manage the Conway Centre and Burwardsley have taken the decision to remain closed until September 2021. However, we are determined that the children will not miss out on these wonderful opportunities.

Fortunately, we have been able to reschedule the Year 5 visit to Burwardsley in September 28th2021. This will be a great start to their final year at Cherry Tree.

Regarding the Year 6 trip, we are carrying out research into an alternative high-quality, residential provider, who can accommodate our Year 6 class on the same dates in July. An update will be given as soon as we have more information.

Half Term Reading Bingo

This week your child will bring home a 'Bingo Card' with various reading activities for them to complete over the Whit holiday. Any child who fills the card and returns it to school will receive a certificate in our next Praise Assembly.

New Intake for September

We are looking forward to meeting the newest members of our Cherry Tree 'family' who are due to start at in September. This is a smaller class than usual as nationally the birth rate is lower this year. Across Warrington there were 87 fewer applications for a reception class place than the same time last year.

Next half term we will have two transition visits where the new intake children can come to school, meet our team and become familiar with their new classroom. The dates for these transition visits are:

- Thursday, 24th June <u>or</u> Friday, 25th June (a 1 hour visit with their parent)
- Tuesday, 6th July (a 2 hour visit unaccompanied, either morning OR afternoon)

We are also planning to hold a face to face meeting for parents, in the school hall. Should infection rates begin to creep up, it may be necessary to meet in small groups or to hold a meeting remotely, should social distancing measures prevent a face-to-face meeting. This 'New Intake' meeting will take place on:

Thursday, 1st July at 6pm (adults only)

Further information has been sent to the relevant families.

Next PTA Event:

Wednesday, 26th May 5:30pm to 7pm

JUNIOR FUN NIGHT

Book via ParentPay Reserve date in case of poor weather: Weds, 16th June



School Sports Kit

We are in the process of modernising our children's sports uniform. The current white cotton PE t-shirts are not particularly easy to keep clean and don't stay looking smart for long. Therefore, we are moving towards a green, technical fabric for the PE t-shirt, along with black shorts/'skort', black- slimfit tracksuit bottoms and a dark green hoody.

This will be introduced from September, therefore the advance warning in case you are planning to purchase new uniform. Our logo will be embroidered onto the t-shirt and hoody; these photos show some of Year 3 children 'modelling samples of the new kit.





Sports Week- week commencing 14th June

This year our Sports Day will be a little different but still just as much fun! The children will remain in two bubbles (infants/juniors) in order to take part in a variety of competitive and non-competitive events.

The first week that we return to school after the half term holiday, we are holding a 'Sports Week'. We ask that children come to school in their PE kit each day for the week commencing 14th June.

The youngest three classes will compete in house groups on one afternoon and the four junior classes will compete on a different afternoon. There will be a variety of traditional sports day events such as:

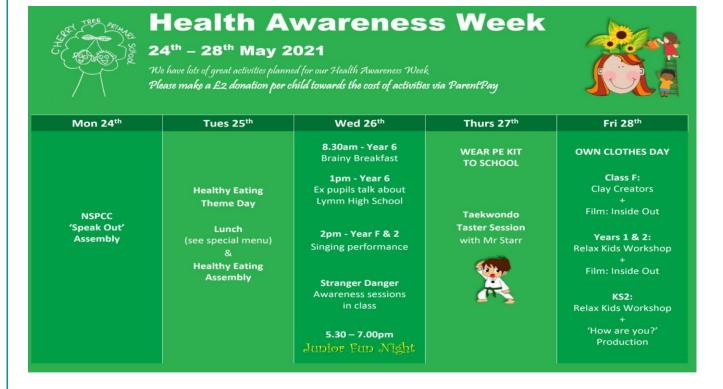
- o Egg and spoon race
- Sack race
- Obstacle course
- Sprint race

Over the course of the week we will also hold a javelin competition for the oldest children, a mini-marathon and a sprint race final.

We are not able to invite parents this year but will share lots of photos via seesaw.

FUTURE EVENTS

Health Awareness Week- 24th to 28th May



School Trips/ Visitors

After what feels like a VERY long wait, we are finally able to take the children on school trips and residential visits. The following trips are planned:

Year	Date	Where to?	Details	
Year 1	Tuesday, 5 th July	AT SCHOOL	History Focus- Warrington Museum Toy	
			Workshop- at school	
Year 2	June (date tbc)	Knowsley, Safari park	Science Focus- Animals	
Year 3	Wednesday, 23 rd June	Warrington, Pyramid	History Focus- Egyptians	
			Packed lunch needed	
Year 4	Wednesday, 16 th June	Chester	History Focus- Romans	
			Packed lunch needed	
Year 5	Tuesday, 22 nd June	Lymm Village	History Focus- The Bridgewater Canal	

Year 6 Final Term

It is our aim to ensure that our Year 6 children have a memorable final term at Cherry Tree. As Covid restrictions are lifted, we are able to provide the children with a range of opportunities to celebrate their time at our school. Please refer to the timetable attached for forthcoming events and dates.

Year F Teddy Bear's Picnic – Wednesday, 14th July

Our PTA are keen to provide an opportunity for the Class F parents, staff and children to come together informally. It was felt that these parents have missed the chance to get to know one another better at the usual array of PTA events across the normal school year.

On Wednesday, 14th July, we are holding a Teddy Bear's Picnic for the Class F children and parents. Each child can invite ONE adult to join them for refreshments and fun in our school grounds. Ideally the weather will be dry and the picnic will take place on the grass to the side of Class F. If the weather is inclement then this event will take place under the canopy. There will be a small charge for refreshments, payable via ParentPay- nearer the time.

Year 6 Leavers' Festival Thursday, 22nd July at 2pm

Last year we adopted a new approach to the Leavers' Assembly due to Covid restrictions and social distancing rules. The outdoor festival held for our Year 6 parents in 2020 proved to be very successful, therefore we have opted to follow a similar approach this year. More information will follow but please keep the date free.

Holiday Camp

To support your childcare requirements during the school holidays, the dates for holiday camps that are planned for the coming year can be found on the attached flyer.

PTA NEWS

Forthcoming PTA Events						
Event	DATE & TIME	Details				
NEXT EVENT:	Wednesday,	5:30pm to 7pm, for Year 3 to Year 6 Book a place via ParentPay. Sweet shop available – we suggest children bring no more than a couple of pounds in change.				
 Junior Fun Night: Outdoor activities such as rounders, netball, football. Chill-out activities in the hall such as colouring & construction kits. Drink and crisps included in price. Sweet shop available. 	26 th May Reserve date in case of poor weather: Wednesday, 16 th June					
PTA Virtual Meeting ALL welcome	Tuesday, 15 th June at 7:30pm	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.				
Non-Uniform Day	Friday, 2 nd July	Donations please- more details to follow.				

UPDATED date: Summer Fair	Saturday, 3 rd July	Details to follow nearer the time.
Ice-Pop Friday	Friday, 16 th July	Details to follow nearer the time.
End of term Celebration (TBC-weather dependant)	Friday, 23 rd July	We are hoping to be able to serve drinks on the final afternoon when the children break up for the summer- this will only take place if the weather is fine.

FINALLY

I am reliably informed by the Met Office, that we are due warmer, drier weather in the coming weeks. I hope this coincides with the half term holiday; wishing you all a wonderful, relaxing break.

Kindest regards,

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

REMINDERS

- No Earrings in PE/Swimming Lessons, see Newsletter 23 for further clarification.
- Please encourage your children to **read on a regular basis** (Three or more times a week ideally). Books will not be changed unless children have read them at home and this has been recorded in the reading record book.
- Children with hair that is shoulder-length or longer need to have this tied back please.

Dates for your diaries

	Forthcoming SCHOOL Events	
Event	DATE & TIME	Details
Health Awareness Week- Monday	, 24 th to Friday, 28 th May- see separat	e timetable of events
Half term holiday:	Break up Friday, 28 th May. Return to scho	ol Monday, 14 th June
Sports Week	Monday, 14 th – Friday 18 th June	A variety of sporting events taking place this week.
Young Voices Club- Virtual Choir	Tuesday, 15 th June	Joint virtual performance choir with other schools
Y5 Lymm Canal History Workshop	Tuesday, 22 nd June	A workshop for y5 children to find out about the history of the canal.
New Intake FIRST Transition Visits	Thursday, 24 th June 9:15am to 10:15am OR Friday, 25 th June 9:15am to 10:15am	Child and parents/carer invited to visit our school and meet the team.
New Intake Parents' Meeting	Thursday, 1 st July at 6pm	For ADULTS ONLY.
New Intake SECOND Transition Visit	Tuesday, 6 th July 1:15am to 11:15am or 1pm to 3pm	A 2 hour visit for the children- unaccompanied.
Y5 Residential Visit- Burwardsley	Thursday, 24 th to Friday 25 th June	
Y6 Residential Visit	Date and venue to be confirmed	
Y6 Design Technology Workshop	Friday, 9 th July	Further information to follow.
Y6 Transition Day at Lymm High School	Tuesday, 13 th July	A letter is being sent to parents from Lymm High to those children who have a place there.
YF Teddy Bear's Picnic	Wednesday, 14 th July	More details to follow nearer the time.
Leavers' Lunch- for all classes	Tuesday 20 th July	Y6 children to choose the menu on this day.
Y6 Leavers' Festival	Thursday, 22 nd July	A celebration assembly for Y6 parents- outdoors if the weather allows, indoors if not.
BREAK UP for SUMMER- EARLY FINISH	Friday, 23 rd July 2:30pm	

Holiday Camp Dates

2021

6th-8th and 12th-15th April 2021 Easter 1st-3rd and 7th-10th June 2021 Whit Half Term

26th-29th July, 2nd-5th and 9th-12th August 2021 25th-28th October 2021 Summer

October Half Term 26th-28th November 2021 Black Friday Weekender

2022

February Half Term 21st-24th February 2022 4th-7th and 11th-14th April 2022 Easter 31st May, 1st-2nd and 6th-9th June 2022 Whit Half Term 25th-28th July, 14L4th and 8th-11th August 2022 Summer