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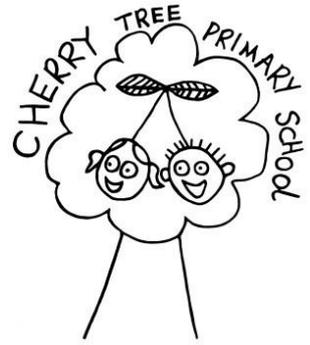
CHERRY TREE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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, 25th June 2021

Dear Parents and Families,

It has been an exciting week at Cherry Tree with two classes out of school on day trips and two external visitors providing workshops for the children; our school name in lights on a billboard in Manchester; three pedigree chicks joining our family and a competition win!

Four weeks to go and we have more fun and excitement planned for your children! We WILL NOT let Covid-19 defeat us; our school values have never been more important than this year.

As such lot has happened and you are busy people, I will provide a brief overview of our latest News:

SIS (School Covid Infection Survey)

**Next date:
1st & 2nd July**

This will be the final round of the SIS testing

Cherry Tree News Headlines

Reading Bingo

Congratulations to Class 2; they had the highest participation in the recent Reading Bingo activity; virtually every child completed ALL of the challenges. They have been awarded an extra playtime!

Competition WINNERS

It was announced on Facebook yesterday, that Cherry Tree has won two playground benches for Year 6 to build and customise as a way of commemorating their seven years at our school. This prize has a value of just under £600! Thank you to Pentagon Play UK. Follow the two links to see the prize draw and what the benches will look like: <https://fb.watch/6lft4f4cZx/> <https://fb.watch/6lf-wDxIV9/>

Our Name in Lights!

One of our Governors sent an image of an electronic billboard display in Manchester, giving thanks and appreciation to our school! We are all extremely grateful to the mystery person 'Rachel from Warrington' who arranged for this to happen!



Pedigree Chicks

For a number of years we have paid a company to provide us with duck or hen eggs in school. The children have enjoyed watching the eggs hatch and care for them. Previously, after ten days the chicks or ducklings have left us. This year Mrs Lynch has used her contacts to find us three pedigree Silkie chicks, which we will provide a more permanent home for. The chicks have been named Lucky, Silky and Tony (after the gentleman who supplied us with the eggs).

The PTA agreed to purchase the incubator, heat pad, brooding box etc and we intend to keep the chicks until they are adult hens. Thank you to Mrs Barham has provided us with a hen house and Mr Cocker who is building an infamous 'Chicken Run' near the allotment! Watch this space...

Annual Pupil Reports

The Annual Report for each child will be sent via ParentApp to parents between the dates of 5th and 12th July. Please check ParentApp/ 'Letters Home' section and let us know if you have not received your child's report by the 13th July.

Scarecrow Trail

The theme of the scarecrow trail is 'Lockdown Heroes'. There have been many groups of people who deserve recognition for their commitment and tenacity during the pandemic, but our 'Lockdown Heroes' had to be the children of Cherry Tree! They showed true resilience during the lockdown and have returned to school more enthusiastic than ever! Look out for our scarecrows at the front of school.

Paper Chains

Cherry Tree has taken part in the creation of a giant paperchain to celebrate the Lymm Primary Schools solar panel milestone and launch of LEAF on 26th June. The launch event is on the 26th and 27th June at Lymm Sanctuary Hub in the Lymm Library Annexe from 10am to 4pm. See flier sent via ParentApp for more details.



EXTRA Day Holiday in 2022

To celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in June 2022 there will be an additional national bank holiday. As this falls within our two week Whit break, all schools have been given a premission by the DfE to include an additional holiday date. This **EXTRA day off school will be Friday, 27th May 2022.**

Our school term dates have been amended accordingly- see our website. www.cherrytreeschool.co.uk

FUTURE EVENTS



NEW DATE: Class Photos- Wednesday, 30th June *WEAR SCHOOL UNIFORM*

Each year group will have a photo taken to mark the academic year. These will be available to order from the photography company- details to follow on the day. ALL children to come to school in their Cherry Tree school uniform, not PE kit.

If they have PE on Wednesday children need to bring PE kit separately on this occasion.

New Intake for September

We were all very disappointed to have to cancel the planned face to face Transition Visits. This was a decision we did not take lightly and was due to Warrington being an area where the infection rate has increased in recent weeks. As we have been advised against inviting new parents and children into our school, during the normal school hours we have changed our approach to **an after school visit.**

On **Thursday, 1st July** at an arranged time after school, new intake families are invited for a half hour visit. During this visit our new children and families will be able to meet the team, visit the classroom, have a tour of the school and grounds and ask any questions. More details have been emailed to the relevant families. Contact school to find out more.

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 F	Wednesday, 14 th July	AT SCHOOL	Personal, Social, Emotional Development Focus Teddy Bear's Picnic- at school, see details below
Year 1	Tuesday, 5 th July	AT SCHOOL	History Focus- Warrington Museum Toy Workshop- at school
NEW DATE Year 5	Thursday, 1 st July	AT SCHOOL	Physical and Creative Development Dance Workshop
Year 6	Friday, 9 th July	AT SCHOOL	Design Technology Focus Fairground rides
Year 6	Friday, 9 th July	Thornbridge, Peak District	Personal Development Focus Outdoor adventurous activities and team building skills

*We are hopeful that the following two events that are planned for parents, can still go ahead while following covid-secure risk assessments.
They are both outside events and are for one class bubble each.*

Year F Teddy Bear's Picnic

Weds, 14th July

Our PTA are providing an opportunity for Class F parents, staff and children to come together informally. The Class F parents have missed the chance to get to know one another better at the usual array of PTA events across the year. Therefore, 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.



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

It is our aim to hold our Leavers' Festival for our Year 6 parents and children outdoors, weather permitting. Each child will be able to invite two family members to join us on the playground for a celebration assembly. Please bring a chair and your own drinks. Jenny Roberts, our school cook will provide cup-cakes for parents and children, plus juice for Year 6. Fran, our specialist music teacher will support the children in showcasing their talents!

PTA NEWS

Summer Festival



As you know our fabulous Summer Fair had to be cancelled due to current restrictions. However, as I mentioned earlier, we will not be beaten!

The Summer Fair is one of our biggest fund raising events of the year; funds which are crucial to extra enrichment opportunities we provide for our children. Therefore, as an alternative fund-raising event to the Summer Fair, we are holding an in-house Summer Festival for CHILDREN ONLY on Wednesday, 21st July. This special themed day will be filled with lots of celebratory fun and games such as 'dunk the Head Teacher', plus a treasure hunt, a magic show, an online theatre production of Alice in Wonderland, ice cream, juice and a picnic. More details to follow... Our PTA are asking for a **suggested £10 donation per child**. You may have been willing to spend more than £10 at our Summer Fair and feel that this event is a bargain, therefore if you wish to donate a larger amount, we would be very grateful!

Ice Pop Friday- 15th July

It has become an annual PTA tradition to sell Ice Pops on a Friday in July for 50p.

To purchase an Ice Pop for your child, please visit ParentPay. This is a fundraising event so we would appreciate this small donation being made by everyone. Thank you.

FINALLY

Wishing you all a lovely weekend!

Kindest regards,



Helen Graham
Head Teacher

Please feel free to contact me with any queries,
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NOTE my email address is changing from the end of July to include '@sch' - see above

REMINDERS

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- **Hair** that is shoulder length or longer should always be tied back at school.
- **Reading books** in the younger years will only be changed if they have been read at home and signed /recorded in the reading record diary by a parent.
- We cannot apply **sun-cream** to your child; we recommend that your child develops the habit of applying their own a 'once-a-day' variety before school or brings a labelled bottle of sun-cream to school.
- **PE Kit to Change from September**

From September we will have a new, school PE kit. This will include a green, technical fabric t-shirt, black shorts/ 'skort', black- slimfit tracksuit bottoms and a dark green hoody. Our logo will be embroidered onto the t-shirt and hoody.



Please complete our quick Parent Survey to provide us with your valuable feedback about our school.

Go to your app: PA Connect/ More/ Survey/
Parent Survey June

Dates for your diaries

Forthcoming SCHOOL and PTA Events		
Event	DATE & TIME	Details
NEW DATE: Class Photos	Wednesday, 30 th June	Children to come to school in their school uniform, not PE kit.
New Intake Visit	Thursday, 1 st July at agreed time slots	Details sent to relevant families
Final round of PCR Covid Testing	Thursday, 1 st July, Friday, 2 nd July	For those who have registered permission for their child
NEW DATE: YOGA DAY	Thursday, 8 th July	Rescheduled date: £1 payable on ParentPay
Y6 Design Technology Workshop	Friday, 9 th July	Further information to follow
PTA YF Teddy Bear's Picnic	Wednesday, 14 th July	More details to follow nearer the time
Y6 Residential Visit	Wednesday, 14 th to Friday, 16 th July	Rescheduled and rearranged for Thornbridge Outdoor Centre
PTA Ice-Pop Friday	Friday, 16 th July (Y6 on Monday, 19 th)	Ice Pops on sale, payable via ParentPay
Leavers' Lunch- for all classes	Tuesday 20 th July	Y6 children to choose the menu on this day
NEW DATE: PTA Summer Festival	Wednesday, 21 st July	Fun and games to celebrate our wonderful school, flier to follow.
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	
PTA 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.