

**SPRING TERM
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Friday, 4th
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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*

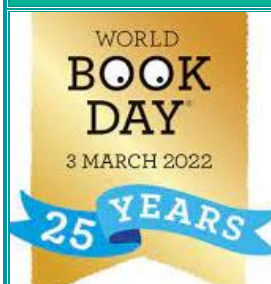


SCHOOL NEWS

KEY THINGS to REMEMBER:

Event or reminder	Date / time / deadline	Any action needed
Book Fair	Thursday, 3rd to Wednesday, 9th March 3pm-4:15pm	<i>Come along to our Book Fair under the Class F canopy/library (weather dependant). School receives commission to spend on books which we will use to update and replenish library stocks.</i>
Class 3 Assembly	Friday, 11th March at 9:15am	<i>Parents of children in Y3 are welcome to attend this class assembly. Please enter via the hall/playground door. Face coverings are not needed.</i>
Phonics Workshop- Preschool/YF/ Y1	Wednesday, 16th 1:45pm to 3pm Refreshments available.	<i>We would like to share information on how we teach early reading and phonics at Cherry Blossom and Cherry Tree and how this can be supported by parents at home. This parent workshop is suitable for families who have children at Cherry Blossom, in Year F and Year 1.</i>
Parents Evening- face to face in school	Wednesday, 23rd and Thursday, 24th March	<i>4pm-7pm on Wednesday and 3:30pm-5:30pm on Thursday. Appointments will be available to book next week.</i>
Plastic Eco Bricks	Needed by Friday, 25th March	 <p><i>Please help by creating some plastic bricks at home. Bring into school once complete. See Newsletter 9 for more details. TOP TIP: The bottles need to be tightly packed with clean plastics to make them hard like a brick!</i></p>
Class 4 Residential Visit	Thursday, 31st March to Friday, 1st April	<i>Year 4 are off to Burwardsley for an overnight stay at their residential centre. The children will be involved in team building activities during the day and in the evening will have a camp fire and toast marshmallows.</i>

Headlines



The last time Cherry Tree held a Book Character Day was in 2019; it was great to be able to host this memorable event once again. The children looked gorgeous dressed as characters from current books and some old favourites. Thank you for creating or purchasing costumes and helping us to create lovely memories for your children. We were thrilled that Cherry Blossom Preschool joined us for our assembly and parade in the morning too.

A winning character from each class was given a £5 book token to spend at our Book Fair.

This year's winners are:

Year F	Megan Langley	Year 3	Lizzie Clemens
Year 1	Penny Howarth	Year 4	Luke Barnes
Year 2	Jessica O'Leary	Year 5	Charlie Watson
Year 6	Archie Rush		



CHERRY BLOSSOM NEWS

As always, our preschool children have been having lots of fun at Cherry Blossom this week. To link in with World Book Day, many of their activities have focused on developing a love of books, early reading and stories. For the first time ever, the preschool children joined the whole school for our Book Character parade on Thursday.



They loved watching the older children and were brave enough to stand at the front and show off their costumes too! A local librarian joined them on Wednesday for a story-telling session.

In this photo they can be seen exploring which material the Three Little Pigs should use for their house.

PTA NEWS

Our recent Quiz Night was great fun and raised an incredible total of £606 for our PTA. This amount is being match-funded by Barclays bank, bringing the total raised to £1,212! All funds raised are going towards new play equipment which will be installed where our Pirate Ship used to be.

If you work for a company that offers the Match Funding scheme please get in touch with our PTA Chair, Mark Swettenham using the email below:

Please contact cherrytreepta@gmail.com if you have any questions or you might be able to help out.

Forthcoming PTA Events		
Event	DATE & TIME	Details
Book Club for Year 5	Wednesday, 9 th March 12:30pm during lunchbreak	Marie-Louise Gregory will lead a conversation about her recently published children's book, 'The Ghost Ship Marie Celeste'. Booking details on ParentApp.
PTA Meeting	Wednesday, 9 th March at 7pm- 8:30pm (Virtual)	The next PTA meeting is at 7pm. All welcome. Please contact the PTA Chair, Mark Swettenham if you would like to join the meeting via cherrytreepta@gmail.com
PJs & Popcorn Night	Wednesday, 16 th March 5-7pm	Our popular PJs and Popcorn Night is back! Oven-cooked, quality sausages will be used for hot dogs, including vegan and gluten-free options, plus of course popcorn and a drink. To book go to ParentPay.
Book Club with the Author	Tuesday, 22 nd March 8pm	<div data-bbox="893 851 1404 1568"> <p>Cherry Tree PTA presents a Book Club with a difference</p> <h3>Book Club with the Author</h3> <p>Tuesday 22nd March at 8pm on Zoom Claire Fuller on her book 'Unsettled Ground'</p>  <p>UNSETTLED GROUND Claire Fuller</p> <p>SHORTLISTED FOR THE WOMEN'S PRIZE FOR FICTION 2021</p> <p>This book is a personal favourite from 2021. It's centred around adult twins Jeanie and Julius, in their 50s and living in a rented cottage with their mum Dot.</p> <p>When Dot dies threats to their livelihood emerge, and Jeanie and Julius must fight to survive.</p> <p>Covering themes of family secrets, love, loss and poverty this is a book that will grip you from the first few pages.</p> <p>A book that was shortlisted for the Women's Prize for fiction and a worthy winner of the Costa Novel Award 2021. It's wonderful that Claire has agreed to join us for a discussion of her book.</p> <p>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, at tinyurl.com/cherrytreeunsettledground</p> <p>This is one book club you won't want to miss.</p> <p>Registered Charity Number 1019937</p> </div>
Virtual Pet Show	Friday, 25 th March, during the afternoon	Following the success of our first Virtual Pet Show last year, we invite children to submit photos/10 sec video clips of family pets into several different 'classes'. Details to follow separately.
New Event Break the Rules Day	Wednesday, 30 th March all day event	This is a new event for Cherry Tree, where children are invited (for a fee) to break some of our rules! There will be ten rules that can be broken. The children can choose to break, 1, 2, 3 or ALL of the rules- it is up to them but for each rule broken they pay £1. Event flier to follow soon!

SPORTING NEWS

Basketball Competition

MORE SPORTING SUCCESS for Cherry Tree!

- We entered two teams into a recent Basketball competition; one of them won and the other came third! What a fantastic result!
- Our very excited, Year 3 Football team won the competition they entered and are now through to the next round!
- Kin-Ball Festival. This week a group of Year 6 children took part in a non-competitive Kin-Ball Festival. The following feedback was given by one of our governors, who attended the event:
"I enjoyed accompanying the Y6 kin-ballers to the festival on Tuesday. It was a great event and I can't fault the Y6 behaviour. They were so polite, listened well, engaged with other pupils. My group was with a group of quite small Y4 children from High Legh. Our towering Y6s adopted the younger children into their group and they formed Team "Cherry Legh" and "Howdie" groups. They used their differing heights strategically and had some great games! Their Y4 class teacher commented on how lovely our Y6 had been."



Y6 Kin-Ballers



Y3 Football Team



Y5/6 Basketball Team

Forthcoming Sporting Competitions and Events

Event	DATE & TIME	Details
Y6 Football Competition: Road to Finch Farm	New date to be confirmed	Our Year 6 football team will take part in this competition at Priestley College. As above, finalists will go on to compete at Finch Farm, Everton.
Y5 Football Competition: Road to Finch Farm	Friday, 11th March 10:30am to 1pm	Our Year 5 football team will take part in this competition at Priestley College. As above, finalists will go on to compete at Finch Farm, Everton.
Y4 Change for Life Festival	Tuesday, 15th March 1pm	An active fun-packed festival for all the Year 4 children.
Y4 Football Competition: Road to Finch Farm	Friday, 18th March 12:30am to 3:30pm	Our Year 4 football team will take part in this competition at Priestley College. As above, finalists will go on to compete at Finch Farm, Everton.

ALLOTMENT NEWS

On Thursday, 31st March a group of around 24 volunteers from Barclays Bank are coming to re-build and renovate our allotment planters. We are very grateful towards Barclays for allowing their staff to carry out this community

project but also because they are also donating £500 for materials. We are aiming to use Plastic Eco Bricks to form as many of the planter walls as possible. The remaining planters will be replaced with sturdy wooden beams/planks purchased using the money donated by Barclays.

We still need your help in the production of lots of plastic bricks by 25th, March. Please remember to compress the plastic tightly inside the bottle so that they cannot be squashed. Completed plastic eco bricks should be brought into school over the next three weeks.

COMMUNITY NEWS

St Mary's Church, Lymm- Mother's Day Crafts / Snacks 11am Saturday 12th March

St Mary's popular snacks and crafts event is especially for mums on Saturday 12th March at 11am. There will be 30-40 minutes of craft activities, such as making cards and gifts in preparation for Mothering Sunday, 10-15 minutes of songs and a bible story. The morning ends with eating a buffet snack of sandwiches, crisps and cake.

St Mary's has a wonderful family service at 10am on Mothering Sunday, 27th March with our children's choir singing. Please come and join us.

FINALLY

Wishing you all a lovely weekend!

Kind regards,



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REMINDER

After School/Breakfast Club- *under new management*

As Cherry Tree School now manages After School Club / Breakfast Club, anyone wishing to book a childcare place should do so by contacting the school office. (01925 755885)

A small number of ad hoc places are available; if you need temporary childcare cover, contact the office to see if we can help.

All enquiries should now be directed towards our school office via telephone 01925 755885. Non-urgent matters can be emailed to CherryTree_Primary@sch.warrington.gov.uk

The NEW direct line for the After School/Breakfast Club is 07760188831. This is for use during the clubs opening hours and should be used to speak with After School/Breakfast Club staff. The NEW email address to contact the staff is CherryTree_OSC@sch.warrington.gov.uk

Save Our Planters / Plastic Bricks Project

Please help by creating some plastic bricks at home. Bring them into school once complete.

What do I need to make an Eco Brick / plastic brick?

Any plastic that can be crushed in your hand as long as it is clean and dry.

For example:

- Any plastic used to wrap bread products
- Biscuit and cake wrappers
- Snack wrappers and crisp packets
- Plastic film off the top of fruit packs
- Plastic fruit and vegetable bags
- Plastic wrappings from the top of cooked meat packs
- Cheese wrappings
- Cling film and plastics used to wrap vegetables
- Plastics used to wrap paper products e.g. toilet rolls/kitchen rolls
- Plastic net bags used for fruit/vegetables
- Plastic bags used for frozen fruit, vegetables, Quorn, etc.-
- All other plastic bags as long as they are clean and dry
- Bubble wrap
- Any other plastic that can be squashed, as long as clean and dry, can be used



How do I make a plastic brick?

1. Large pieces should be either cut or pulled apart to make it easier to push into the bottle
2. Plastics that have food residue on should be rinsed and left to dry
3. Push the pieces of plastic into the bottle.
4. Compress as tightly as possible to make the bottle feel solid.
5. Use something strong to push the pieces into the bottle, such as a piece of doweling or a garden cane until there is no space left.
6. Put the lid back on the bottle

