## SUMMER TERM 2021-22 NEWSLETTER 16 Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> JULY 2022

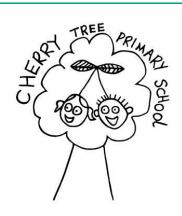
# CHERRY TREE PRIMARY SCHOOL

**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  |  |
| Ice Pop Monday                     | Monday, 18 <sup>th</sup> July                            | Ice Pops will be on sale on Monday, 18 <sup>th</sup> July for 50p payable on ParentPay or cash on the day. They will be given to <b>all</b> children, including preschool.   |  |
| Year 5 Viking Day                  | Monday, 18 <sup>th</sup> July                            | Year 5 will take part in an interactive Viking workshop to consolidate their learning in History. Donations vie ParentPay.   |  |
| Year 6 Leavers' Assembly           | Tuesday, 19 <sup>th</sup> July at<br>9:15am              | On Tuesday, 19 <sup>th</sup> July, Year 6 parents are invited to join us at 9:15am for a special assembly dedicated to our 'leavers'. <b>Due to the extreme weather warning the assembly will be for Y6 families only, not the whole school.</b> It would be unsafe to have 300 people in the hall on the hottest day of the year. <b>Each Y6 child can have 4 guests joining us for the assembly.</b> Refreshments will be served after the assembly. |  |
| Early Years<br>Teddy Bears' Picnic | Wednesday, 20 <sup>th</sup> July, at 2:15pm              | This is a PTA event where open to Class F and preschool children and their parents. Refreshments provided. The cost is £3 per adult, payable on ParentPay.   |  |
| Year 6 Residential                 | Wednesday, 20 <sup>th</sup> to Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> July | Year 6 are going to the Peak District for two nights for a residential trip. Further information can be found on ParentApp.  |  |
| FINAL DAY                          | Friday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> July<br>At 2:30pm               | Early finish- 2:30pm Our 'Out of School Club' does not offer childcare on this final day and will be closed.   |  |

### **Headlines**

#### 'Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies'



After a three year wait, we were delighted to re-launch the Key Stage 2 annual production. It was most certainly worth the wait! The children's performances were OUTSTANDING! I admit I am completely biased, but my high opinion of the children's singing, dancing and acting ability was validated by many others; the videographer said:

"I have been to many schools but have never seen primary-aged children perform to such a high standard." One parent said, "I thought I was at the Garrick theatre".

We are incredibly proud of all the children and are grateful to our dedicated staff team. Thank you everyone!

#### **Predicted Extreme Heat Weather Warnings**

#### We are not being advised to close.

The Met Office has extended an extreme weather warning for Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> July, Monday 18<sup>th</sup> July and Tuesday, 19<sup>th</sup> July, as temperatures will build this weekend and early next week for much of England and Wales.

Temperatures could be in excess of 35°C in the southeast, and more widely around 32°C within the <u>warning</u> area, with Monday and Tuesday most likely to see temperatures around this level.

At Cherry Tree, will be following the government guidance on <u>looking after children and those in early years</u> settings during heatwaves.

We are not being advised to close, however we will have the following additional measures in place:

- Increase ventilation with doors and windows open and window blinds closed
- Fans placed in classrooms
- Keeping children hydrated; we will provide the children with plenty of water
- Avoiding vigorous physical activity, PE lessons will be adapted
- Encouraging children to wear PE kit not school uniform
- Asking children to bring a sunhat and use sunscreen
- Providing each child with an ice pop after lunchtime
- Using the 'Meeting Room' which is air conditioned to cool any child showing initial signs of over-heating (see link to government guidance)

Our Preschool building is air-conditioned making this an ideal environment for our youngest children. We also have a portable air-conditioning unit which is placed in Year 6.

#### **New Toilet Block**

You will be aware that we are having an additional set of toilets fitted adjacent to Year F and Year 1. The building work is progressing and is on schedule to be completed by the end of August.

#### Survey

Our annual Parent Survey has been launched on ParentApp. There is one for Cherry Tree School and a separate survey for Cherry Blossom. They are both succinct and quick to complete. Please provide us with your invaluable feedback by Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> July.

#### **Annual Reports**

Please complete the form on ParentApp to respond to your child's annual report and let us know about your child's achievements out of school. Thank you.

#### Thank you

Thank you for your recent donations and support at the Summer Fair and Open Gardens events. The summer fair was particularly well-attended and raised a fantastic total of £2480!

#### **Holiday Camp**

We still have some places available at our Holiday Camp. Final bookings must be made by midnight Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> July. Any bookings after this will incur a late booking fee as we will have completed all the administrative tasks to prepare for the club.

#### **Extended Services** (Out of school club/extra-curricular clubs) and Preschool Provision

From September we are streamlining our preschool provision, childcare and extended services so that the hourly rate is the same for each at £5 per hour (except for 2 year old pre-schoolers). We are introducing an AdHoc fee; you can book an occasional place at the 'out of school club' or preschool, but this costs a higher rate than the regular rate. Please see ParentApp/Letters Home for a full breakdown of charges for these services. These charges have been agreed by governors.

#### **SATS RESULTS (Statutory Assessment Tests)**

Congratulations to <u>all of our children</u> for their excellent achievement over the past year; their hard work and commitment has paid off! The Governors and I would like to sincerely thank the children and staff for all their efforts – we are really proud of them!

Statutory Assessments were paused in 2020 and 2021, meaning that it is three years since our children have taken part in SATs. Despite the disruption of the pandemic our children have performed exceptionally well.

Our results are shown below.

National comparative figures are shown in brackets. Comparative data is only available for limited results for 2022, therefore where 2022 data is not available, I have used the most recent comparative data, from 2019.

#### **Key Stage 2**

|      | reading               |               | writing               |               | mathematics           |               | grammar, punctuation & spelling |                  |
|------|-----------------------|---------------|-----------------------|---------------|-----------------------|---------------|---------------------------------|------------------|
|      | Expected+<br>standard | high standard | Expected+<br>standard | high standard | Expected+<br>standard | high standard | Expected+<br>standard           | high<br>standard |
| 2022 | 88%                   | 51%           | <b>79</b> %           | 30%           | 88%                   | 45%           | 88%                             | <b>51</b> %      |
|      | (74)                  | (27)          | (69)                  | (20)          | (71)                  | (27)          | (72)                            | (36)             |

#### **Key Stage 1**

|      | reading               |                  | writing            |                 | mathematics        |                 |
|------|-----------------------|------------------|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|
|      | Expected+<br>standard | high standard    | Expected+ standard | high standard   | Expected+ standard | high standard   |
| 2022 | <b>83</b> % (75)      | <b>28</b> % (25) | <b>76</b> % (69)   | <b>14%</b> (15) | <b>86</b> % (76)   | <b>24%</b> (22) |

#### **Year 1 Phonics**

|      | Year 1 Phonics Check |  |  |
|------|----------------------|--|--|
| 2022 | <b>97%</b> (82)      |  |  |

#### **PTA NEWS**

| Forthcoming PTA Events    |                               |  |  |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|--|--|
| Event                     | DATE & TIME                   | Details  |  |
| Ice-Pop <del>Friday</del> | Monday, 18 <sup>th</sup> July | Ice Pops will be on sale on Monday, 18th July for 50p payable on     |  |
| MONDAY                    |                               | ParentPay or cash on the day.  |  |
|                           |                               | They will be given to all children, including preschool.             |  |
| Teddy Bear's              | Wednesday, 20 <sup>th</sup>   | This is a PTA event for Class F and preschool children and their     |  |
| Picnic                    | July, at 2:15pm               | parents. Refreshments provided. The cost is £3 per adult, payable on |  |
| Class F and Preschool     |                               | ParentPay.   |  |

#### **SPORTING NEWS**

#### **Competition News**

#### **Year 5 and 6 Cricket Competition**

On Wednesday, a team of Year 5 and 6 children took part in the County Cricket Final. They had a fantastic day at Warrington Cricket Ground with over 300 children from across the county taking part. Our fantastic team came third out of 33 teams! An Oughtrington parent gave the following lovely feedback:

"Your team were AWESOME today cheering Oughty in the finals. Truly touching and beautiful."

This comment evidences the fact that our mission statement is reflected in the children's behaviour; although our children like to compete, they are also very encouraging towards others. ©

#### **FINALLY**

As I reflect on the start of the year and how far we have come, I feel our community deserves to feel proud of the resilience shown by everyone and by our determination to return to normal routines as quickly as possible. Covid was still negatively impacting on pupil and staff attendance in the Autumn term; we were stretched and had further challenges to face, but this did not stop us from striving to give our children the very best experience they could have at school.

Your support, as parents cannot be under-estimated. This coupled with the dedicated staff team and motivated pupils has meant that we have had a happy and successful year. Thank you!

I wish you all a relaxing summer break and look forward to welcoming everyone back to school on Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> September.

Kind regards,

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Helen Graham Head Teacher

#### **SEPTEMBER 2022**

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| NEW ACADEMIC YEAR:       |   |  |  |
|--------------------------|---|--|--|
| <b>Event or reminder</b> | Date / time / deadline  | Any action needed  |  |
| Back to school           | Monday, 5 <sup>th</sup> September                             | Our new term begins at the usual time of 8:50am  |  |
| PTA AGM                  | Monday, 12th September<br>9am-10am                            | Annual General Meeting for the PTA, to be held in school.  |  |
| Meet the Teacher         | Tuesday, 13 <sup>th</sup> September<br>between 5pm and 6:30pm | Parents invited to meet the year group team and listen to a short talk from each teacher in their classroom. Timings of talks to follow. |  |
| Junior Fun Night         | Wednesday, 28 <sup>th</sup> September                         | Save the date, booking details to follow.  |  |

# Term Dates 2022-2023

#### **AUTUMN TERM**

Mon 5<sup>th</sup> September - Fri 21<sup>st</sup> October 2022 Half term break Mon 31<sup>st</sup> October - Tues 20<sup>th</sup> December 2022

#### **SPRING TERM**

Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> January - Fri 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023 Half term break Mon 27<sup>th</sup> February - Fri 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023 Easter weekend is during the Easter Break: Good Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April, Easter Monday 10<sup>th</sup> April

#### SUMMER TERM

Mon 17<sup>th</sup> April - Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023 There will be a two week Whit holiday in 2023 May Day Bank Holiday is Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May Mon 12<sup>th</sup> June – Fri 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023

#### **INSET DAYS FOR STAFF**

- Thurs 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022
- Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022
- Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023
- Tues 4<sup>th</sup> April 2023
- Mon 24<sup>th</sup> July 2023

#### EARLY CLOSURE (2.30pm)

- Tues 20th December 2022
- Fri 31<sup>st</sup> March 2023
- Fri 21st July 2023