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Diary Dates

Friday 4th February - Number Day

Wednesday 9th February - Parents Evening

Monday 21st - Friday 25th February - Half Term

Thursday 24th March - Swimming Gala

Friday 25th March - Mothers Day Event

Wednesday 6th April - Easter Workshop

Friday 8th April - Last Day of Term

31st January 2022: Issue 5

Headteacher's message: Laura Slinn

Welcome back to school and Happy New Year to you all. Returning to school after the Christmas break has been fantastic. Although we continue to experience periods of COVID 19 positive testing in school and staff absence, we are working in creative ways to keep as many classes open at all times. I would like to thank you for your on going support and understanding when we are having to make short notice decisions that will impact on your family.

Despite this, the children have been able to enjoy and experience some brilliant learning this month – we have enjoyed Italy day, Being safe and Healthy week and lots of classes are managing to get out and about on some local trips into the community – we are so pleased to have these experiences back in our curriculum and look forward to building on these. As part of our INSET day training in January the staff worked together to plot the additional experiences that we believe it is essential to provide for our learners, we are finalising this information and will have this ready for you to look at when you visit for parents evening. Hopefully you will be able to share some of your ideas to include in these plans also.

Next week we will be welcoming you into school for parents evening, we will meet in the hall again where you will be able to take a look at your child's learning and have a cup of tea. Your child's teacher will be sharing a new IEP with you, so please do have a think about a target that you would like your child to be working on over the next term.

I hope you enjoy this newsletter and get a flavour of the learning that is taking place.

Many Thanks ,

Laura Slinn, Executive Headteacher

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Blue Class News

January 2022.

It was so exciting to get back on the path of our learning this month.

All of the class have settled really well into the class routine, and we are excited to welcome Ella into Blue Class.

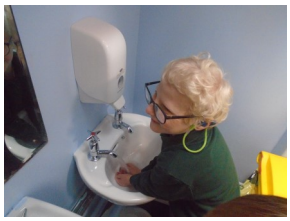
This month we have had a big focus upon our independence skills. Everybody has tried really hard, on this, especially with dressing skills.

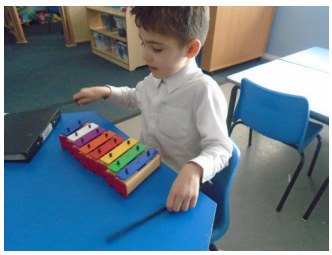
We have continued to work on our targets in Maths and English and really enjoyed a range of sensory activities linked to our topic all about 'Pets'.

In cooking we have all enjoyed making healthy snacks including sandwiches and a fruit salad.

On Friday 21st January we all enjoyed experiencing a cultural day of Italy. We engaged in a range of activities

Including painting with pasta, and listening to music from Italy!





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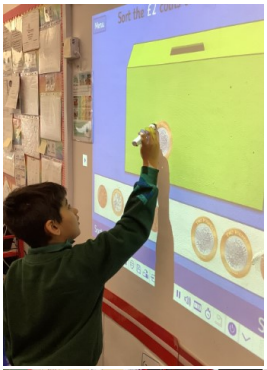
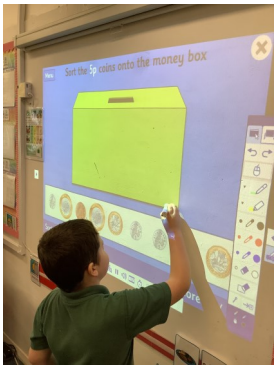
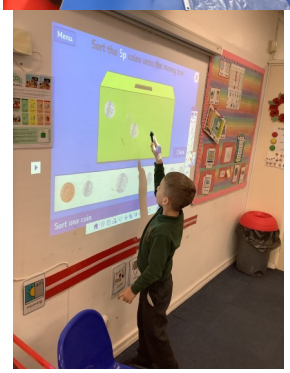
Red Class News

This half-term, Red Class have been working extra hard on their Mathematics skills. They have been looking at money and we even had our own shop in class, where the boys bought the toys to play with. We have also looked at weighing. Learning what the terms heavier, lighter and balanced means and exploring it using the scales and toys. As you can see from our pictures, they have been having lots of fun. Keep up the hard work!







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Orange Class News

The children have all settled back in well after Christmas.

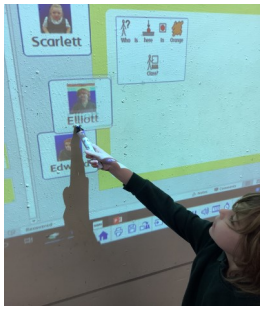
Our topic this term is Going To The Zoo and we have been focusing on a different animal each week from the book Dear Zoo. We have also been learning the Makaton signs for some of the animals!

We have continued to work hard in Maths and we are singing 5 Little Monkeys swinging In A Tree!

We are reading The Colour Monster Book to begin to look at our feelings and our colour this term is green for calm.

On Friday 21st January we celebrated Italy Day by listening to Italian music, painting the flag and getting messy with spaghetti and pasta sensory play.

Well done Orange Class!



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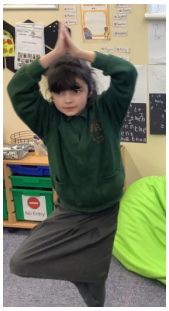
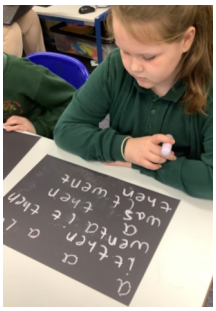
Green Class News

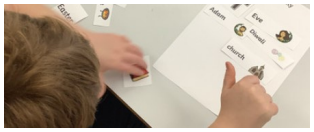
Since returning to school we have worked so hard. We made cheese and tomato pastry swirls for Italy day. We looked at Where the wild things are in English and continued to enjoy dough discos and write dance weekly. In our sensory maths 20/20 we moved from ice cubes to...Frozen sand! During art sessions with Miss Paton the children looked at the work by Giuseppe Arcimboldo. They re-created his work using fruit and veg.

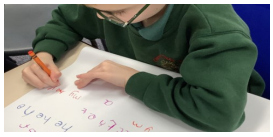
It was amazing!

We have started to us Purple Mash in class and tasks are being set for home as well. Take a look and show off your computing skills. During our Safe and Healthy week, we have looked at balanced diets, exercise, drugs and being safe. We have had some amazing discussions and I am proud of every single one of them.

Well done Green Class x





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Yellow Class News

Since returning to school we have been working hard to develop communication, independence and confidence. In cooking we have been making sandwiches, toasties and beans/spaghetti on toast. The children used communication boards to communicate what they needed.

Our topic this term is The Circus is Coming and we have been focusing on a different colours and ball skills each week.

We have continued to work hard in Maths and we are singing 5 Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed.

Yellow class have also been having intense TacPac and Identi-play sessions each week with Miss Slatter. The children are loving the calming process of TacPac and Identi-play is modelling to the children how to play. They have all developed their play skills with the ducks and we are looking forward to seeing them access this independently before we move on to the play model activity.

On Friday 21st January we celebrated Italy Day by listening to Italian music, getting messy with spaghetti sensory play, making models and exploring pesto pasta, and we ended the day eating delicious pizza!

I would also like to introduce Miss Slatter and Mrs Waterhouse to the yellow class team. Miss Slatter teaches yellow class on Tuesday's and Wednesday's, she then supports in class with myself (Miss Smart) on a Thursday morning and all day Friday. Mrs Waterhouse is with yellow class full time and has already made amazing relationships with the children. Mrs Waterhouse is trained in Forest School and delivers these sessions weekly. I am sure you will all join me to give them a warm welcome.

Keep up the fabulous work Yellow Class! :)

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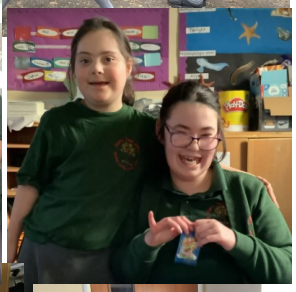
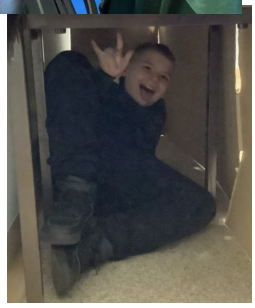
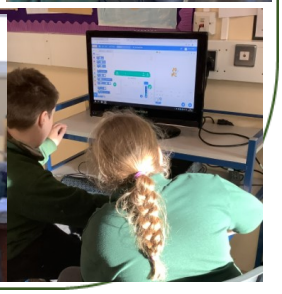
Purple Class News

Things have been incredibly positive this month in Purple Class. Friendships are developing, the children are happier and working harder than ever before. I have been so proud of them and I am pleased to share some of our highlights with you here.







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Parents Evening

Spring Term parents evening will be held on Wednesday 9th February 2022. Please look out for a letter coming home with your child with further details about how to book your place.

Morning Club

Just a reminder that we now offer a morning club from 8:10am until 8:50am. The cost of this session is £3 per day and includes breakfast for your child. If you would like a place, please inform the school office (01902 894484) by no later than 2pm on the working day before the required session.

Italy Day

We had a wonderful day exploring Italian Culture as a School Community.

The sound of Classical Opera filled the corridors as Cherry Trees Pupils participated in a range of fun activities. Children got to learn some key Italian greetings and phrases, and explored artwork from Italy, the map of Italy and the Italian flag.

The most popular activity by far was sampling some Italian foods and creating their own tasty pizzas. Mamma Mia! Delizioso!

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Great news…The UK's best family magazine is now free to all parents & guardians- Enjoy!

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Sign of the Month

School

Our sign of the week is school –Make a small circular movement in front of your mouth.
You can see how to do the sign here:
https ://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vbXAjZ1-QCo

Whole Class Monthly Attendance

Group	% Attend
Blue Class	89.1
Red Class	93.7
Orange Class	98.0
Green Class	92.3
Yellow Class	94.6
Purple Class	78.5

Congratulations to:

Orange Class

You have the best Attendance for the Month

Well done to all of you.

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

Cherry Trees School Fundraising

Our next fundraising target is to raise £1000 to enable us to purchase this sensory arch with bench for the school playground. This arch features a tactile artificial grass panel on one side with a look out bubble and bright coloured perspex panels to let the light shine through on the other. The arch will be ideal for quiet time, bonding with others or for sensory play and exploration. Keep checking Class Dojo and school letters for information about our fundraising events and keep checking the newsletters for updates on how close we are to achieving our target!

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