Cherry Trees School News

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Diary Dates

Monday 31st October -

Back to School

Friday 11th November -

Remembrance Day

Tuesday the 15th November - Anti Bullying Day

Monday 21st November

World Cup Day -MFL Focus

Monday 28th November— Enterprise Week

Wednesday 30th November

- Christmas Fair

21st October 2022: Issue 2

Headteacher's message: David Murphy

Welcome to our October newsletter at the end of Autumn 1 half term - it has been an extremely and most enjoyable busy first half term. I am sure you will enjoy taking a look at all the exciting and fun things that the classes have been doing.

We were delighted to welcome you all to our first parents evening of this academic year—it was lovely to see so many of you were able to come along and see your child's work and meet with their teacher to discuss their progress. Some excellent feedback was received on the evening in the parents/carers survey - it was lovely to read all the positive comments - thank you.

We would like to thank you for your support and donations for the harvest festival this is a really important festival for the children to learn about and celebrate. This year our children in Blue class took our donations to the food bank which was gratefully received.

We are really pleased with the response to our after school clubs and it has been a pleasure to see the children working really hard during football and dance clubs.

It has been pleasing to see children out on educational trips and accessing the cultural capital curriculum.

Please do take the time to look at our independence curriculum over the half term. This will give you an idea of skills that our pupils are working towards and can be worked on at home.

You can find our independence skills booklet on our website:

Cherry Trees School → Curriculum → Curriculum Statement → 'Independent Skills Booklet for Parents'.

Finally have a wonderful week off next week and we look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 31st October.

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Blue Class News

Blue Class have had a lovely and extremely busy first half term! We are very proud of how settled the children all are and the progress they have made in such a short time already.

During October, we have continued with our topic "Me and My World", thinking about our families and our homes. We have enjoyed lots of exciting learning activities based upon our topic story "The Three Little Pigs". Everyone really enjoyed decorating our biscuits as pig and wolf faces, and exploring the different materials the little pigs used to build their homes. We have made our own houses for the pigs, and our role play corner has been Mommy Pig's kitchen. We have engaged in lots of Numeracy activities based upon our topic, sorting and counting pigs and other farm animals. We made a small world version of our story which we all enjoyed taking turns to play with. We have used matching symbols and signs to help us to learn.

We have all also visited the light room, soft play room and the nurture room to engage in different experiences around school, alongside continuing with our PE, Music and swimming sessions.

Well done everyone in Blue Class! Have a lovely half term!

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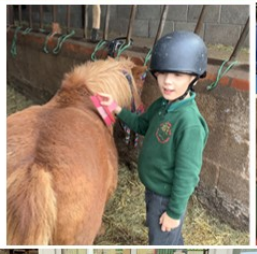
Red Class News

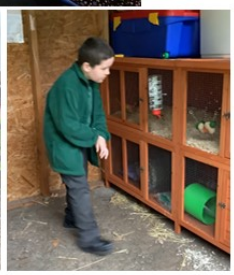
Wow, what a busy first half-term!

Red class have amazed us with how well they have settled into class this half-term. They have wowed us with fantastic hard work and perseverance.

We have really enjoyed our horse riding sessions and will be sad not to be going, however, we now have the school guinea pigs to look after for our animal time. The children have already met the girls and are excited to work with these.

The children have shown us some great Maths work this half-term too, we have worked on number recognition and addition. In English we have concentrated on writing sentences and our fine motor skills.





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Orange Class News

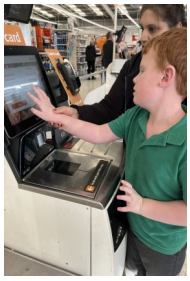
We have had a very busy month in Orange Class and all worked very hard.

We have been continuing with our topic Africa. We have been to Roberts Farm Shop to buy the different fruit that are found in our story, Handa's Surprise, and exploring the animals that you will find in Africa. We visited our Outdoor Learning Area where we engaged well with the sensory tuff trays, exploring different animal textures and matching animals to their patterned animal fur.

Our focus colour this month is Orange. We went shopping to Sainsbury's to buy orange fruit and vegetables and explored them in our tuff tray.

We have all engaged well with our Phase 1 Bug Club Book and are starting to anticipate what happens next.

We are all looking forward to our trip to the Safari Park to see the animals!



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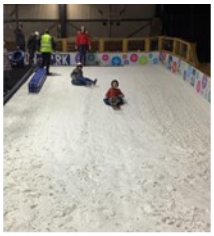
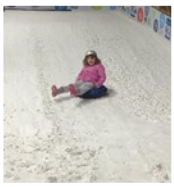
Green Class News

WOW…. Where do I start? What a fantastic first half term we have had. We have thoroughly enjoyed our topic, Frozen Planet. In geography, we looked at types of weather and were engrossed with the videos of extreme weather and the devastation Hurricane Ian caused. Science, we were drawn in by the forces of magnets and carried out many ways to test how strong they can be. In art, we have looked at the Japanese artist Hiroshige Utagawa and explored his painting style and the techniques used such as shading and tinting. Our English focus has been amazing, and they have done so well to engage with the story, exploring all its twists and turns.

Finally, we topped it off with the most enjoyable trip to the SnowDome. The biggest smiles, loudest laughter, and screams that 'This is the best day ever!'. I am determined to get us out and about at least once a half term, so watch the space.

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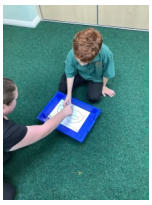
Yellow Class News

Yellow Class have had a great month! They have worked so hard, had fun, built friendships, and produced some amazing pieces of work! We are confidently using TEACCH stations to complete our independent work, be challenged by our teachers and to take part in groups activities. This has allowed the children to build relationships and to develop independence. The children who joined us in September have all adapted well to this change, and the majority have been completing a range of 2 to 4 activities independently! The children who have the TEACH station skills embedded, have been true role models for the new children. Well Done Yellow Class!

In English, we have continued to explore mark making in different textures and materials – the children love to get messy! We have also been developing our communication skills using PECS and using talking tins.

In Maths, we have continued our learning around number and shape space and measure. We have used the attention for autism bucket phase 2 to support this learning (we like to get messy). Here is a link to something similar; https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k7hyC4B75yc

During our afternoon sessions we have continued our topic of Transport (Journeys) by getting creative making lots of different pictures. We have also been exploring the park at school by taking photographs of what we like and dislike, making junk models and creating videos of the park using the iPad.



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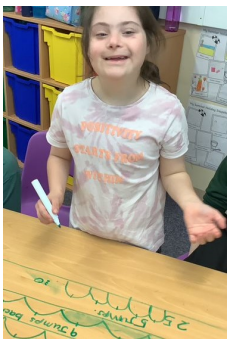
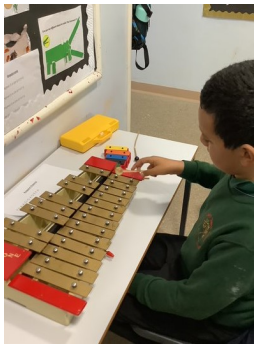
Purple Class News

It's been busy, busy, busy again!! Purple class have continued to be amazing. We have carried on looking at Roald Dahl and created some amazing fact files and Top Trumps cards. We have enjoyed our weekly outdoor learning sessions; from Bug hunts, marvellous mixtures to creating animals from nature. In maths we have been using numbers lines, partitioned and ordering numbers, and we have been showing these skills daily.

In science, we have been learning about the digestive system. We created the digestive system with everyday things and yes, it was disgusting but we remembered lots of things.





Cherry Trees Communicating

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Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

Thank you for your support with Macmillan Coffee Afternoon.

We raised £78! Well done everyone.

Blue class visited the Black Country Food Bank to deliver the Harvest Festival donations. This was their first time out on the minibus. Well done Blue class

Street Dance and football have been a big success with the children!

Cherry Trees Sharing

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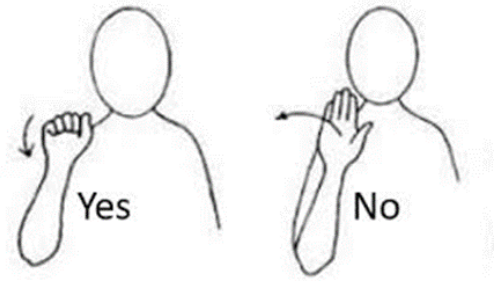
Sign of the Month



Bend your wrist downwards whilst saying ''Yes''

Move your hand sideward ,away from your chest whilst saying ''No''

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8u6cDkylXU8

Whole Class Monthly Attendance

Group	% Attend
Blue Class	91.2%
Red Class	93.8%
Orange Class	98.2%
Green Class	91.0%
Yellow Class	89.3%
Purple Class	92.9%

Congratulations to:

Orange Class

You have the best Attendance for the Month

Well done to all of you.

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

Cherry Trees Safeguarding

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It's okay to ask for support….

What is Early Help?

Early Help is taking action early to provide support where problems are emerging for children, young people and their families. Early help support may be provided at any point in a child or young person's life. The sooner the family receives the support, the sooner they are able to improve their situation and prevent the need for prolonged support.

Early Help is here to find out what is working well for families and what areas they might be worried about; it can help to build on families' strengths and identify any needs where support might be needed. It is an approach that brings people together from different teams and services who work together with the whole family. The main focus is to improve outcomes for children.

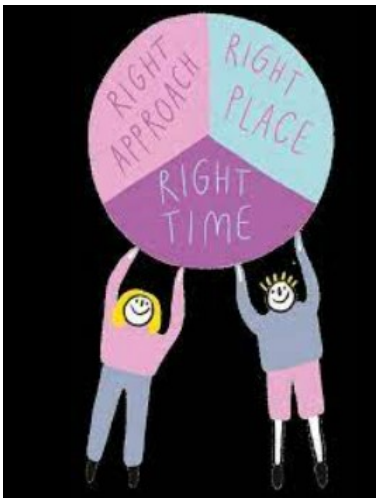
Why would I need Early Help?

The type of things that Early Help can support you with include:

Worries about your child's health development or behaviour
You might be worried about how they are doing at school
You might have worries about money or housing and how that is affecting you
Your child and family may be affected by domestic abuse, drugs, alcohol, ill health or crime

Early Help can give you the tools to solve challenges or problems you are experiencing with help from others where needed.

If you would like to find out more, please call school and speak to Nicola Johnson (DSL) who can discuss the Early Help process and support you further.



Cherry Trees School Council

The School Council have been working really hard each Friday, running the tuck shop.

We look forward to implementing their ideas next term.

Sleep Tight Workshop

5 Week course looking into:

Causes of Sleep Problems

Managing & Identifying Sleep Problems

Bedtime routines

Positive Bedtimes

Tuesday Mornings 10:00 – 11:30

1st November 2022 to the 29th November

If you think you might be interested please contact Nicola or Clare at

Cherry Trees School, Wombourne

01902 894484

the sleep charity