

Cherry Trees

School News



Diary Dates:

23rd October
INSET day – no
children in school

26th-30th October
Half Term

2nd November
Return to School

2nd November the
arrival of the living
eggs

11th November
Remembrance
Day Activities in
classes

13th November
Children in Need
Sponsored event

The activities above will be
held in school, for the
children to take part in due
to the COVID 19
restrictions.

Thursday 22nd October 2020: Issue 3

Headteacher's message: Laura Slinn

Welcome to our third newsletter. The month has flown by so quickly.

The children are becoming more and more confident in their new classes and are happy to be taking part in school life – which is fantastic to see.

We have really enjoyed our Scarecrow festival this week and hope that you have enjoyed seeing and voting for the fantastic scarecrows made by the classes. It has been really fun.

Thanks to all that were able to take part in parents evening, a different experience for us to not have people visiting and looking around the classes – but valuable time spent together talking about how well everyone is getting on and their targets for this term. I really appreciate the feedback that has been given.

On **Friday 23rd October 2020** we will be having a staff INSET day, alongside assessment training for teachers, we will be working on preparing the forest school site and our Green class garden site to make sure all is COVID safe and ready to be put back in to use on our return to school after half term. It is great to be getting back to utilising some of our incredibly special places. After half term we will also see the return to our nurture provision, led by Jenny – if you get asked to complete a permission slip about attending these sessions, please know that they are sessions to support the social interaction and independence skill development for your child. We will share photographs of these spaces in our next newsletter.

We continue to monitor absence and illness and are still pleased to report that we have not had any child positive cases of COVID 19 and will continue to follow the guidance of Public Health England and the Local Outbreak Team.

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Learning



Green Class News

In art we have been looking at autumn leaves, we created a range of prints using leaves, potato and a tile print. We thought about the autumn leaf colours, experimented with mixing paints and tried hard to sketch our own leaf. In computing we have been looking at basic word processing skills, we looked at why a password is important, how to open word, changing font, adding text boxes and bullets.



In Design and Technology, we thought about healthy eating, we tasted a range of fruits, designed made and evaluated our smoothies. In PE we have been working on Gymnastics, we worked to create shapes on the ground, in the air and on apparatus. We worked together in pairs to create our own routine. In Music we have been working on south African music. We listened to music and described what we could hear. We thought about the instruments we could hear, matched instruments to names and created a simple composition using a range of instruments. In Geography we have been looking at the rainforest, we looked at where rainforests are in the world, the climate, animals found there and the layers of the rainforest. We went on a journey to the rainforest to see what it is like there and wrote a postcard to our families. We then pretended to be weather presenters.

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Purple Class News



Purple Class have worked hard this month learning about colour in Art, the Titanic in History and worked hard on their desktop publishing skills. We had a lot of fun making a Scarecrow for our Autumn Festival.

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Orange Class have had a great month, we have made jelly – which smelt great. We have been practising our sounds and explored mark making in many different textures and materials. Here we are learning about Harvest and Halloween. We have tasted different vegetables and carved a pumpkin.



Orange Class News

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Yellow Class News

This month Yellow class have been learning about the Vikings. We watched videos, looked at books and photographs to find out what life was like when the Vikings raided England and began to settle. We made Viking bread and designed our own Viking shields. We also found out about Viking longhouses and made our own houses out of cardboard.

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Red Class News



This month we are Autumn Explorers. Red class are enjoying learning in the outdoors! We have discovered the leaves change colour in the Autumn and we have used the objects to count in maths. We learnt the story 'We're Going on A Bear Hunt'; the children really did well, understanding the phrases of the story and repeating it. We had a wonderful time acting it out in the school woods!



We began our Yoga on Thursday this week, we are following Cosmic Kids on YouTube. The children enjoyed it (nearly as much as the staff), maybe try it at home this holiday?
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ISX9DSK4uEk>

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Blue Class News

Blue Class have enjoyed our topic work this month all about 'The Hungry Caterpillar'. We have engaged in a variety of activities including artwork, cooking, and sensory play.

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Communicating Cherry Trees School



You will now have received a letter for Class Dojo – thank you to those who have already logged on. If you are not sure what this is, please take a minute to log on to the app.

We aim to use this form of communication instead of our home communication books – it will also help us with remote learning if we ever need to carry that out in the future. **If you need more help, please call school.**



If your child is feeling anxious or worried about coronavirus (COVID-19), there are things you can do to help. You can find advice on the NSPCC website: <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/childrens-mental-health/depression-anxiety-mental-health/> for tips to help you support them, and to facilitate conversations in a safe and open way.



Family Support Service by SCTSP in Partnership with Staffordshire County Council
FREE ONLINE BEHAVIOUR & WELLBEING WORKSHOPS/PROGRAMMES

Programmes for Parents

4- week Understanding and Managing Challenging Behaviour Programme

Topics include: Anger, Defiance, Anxiety, Low Self Esteem

Start Date: Monday 9th November: 1-2pm

4- week Parent Wellbeing Programme

Topics include: Emotional Wellbeing, Building Confidence, Stress and Anxiety

Start Date: Thursday 12th November: 1-2pm

To book your place please email your **name, date of programme and telephone number** to raminderdhalilwal.fss@sctsp.org.uk or text/phone with your **name, date of programme and email address** to 07741645691.

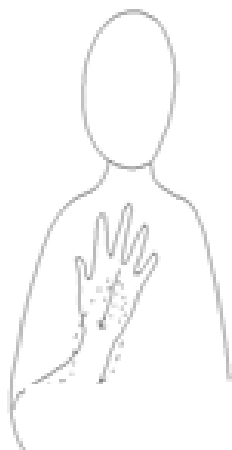
Once you have booked onto you will be sent instructions on how to access the Workshop/Programme.

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Sharing



Sign of the month



Autumn – Make a pinching motion in front of your body and move your pinched hand back towards your chest. At the same time say the word autumn. You can see how to do the sign here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5TauHs_X-40

Whole Class Monthly Attendance

Group	% Attend
Blue Class	96.6
Red Class	98.3
Orange Class	95.7
Green Class	95.2
Yellow Class	97.8
Purple Class	95.6



Congratulations to:

Red Class

You have the best
Attendance for the Month
well done to all of you.

**EVERY
SCHOOL DAY
COUNTS**

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Safeguarding Cherry Trees School



Working, Learning, Achieving Together

LEARN PANTOSAURUS' FIVE EASY RULES FOR STAYING SAFE



P RIVATES ARE PRIVATE

Your underwear covers up your private parts and no one should ask to see or touch them. Sometimes a doctor, nurse or family members might have to. But they should always explain why, and ask you if it's OK first. Remember, what's in your pants belongs only to you.



A LWAYS REMEMBER YOUR BODY BELONGS TO YOU

No one should ever make you do things that make you feel embarrassed or uncomfortable. If someone asks to see or tries to touch you underneath your underwear say 'NO' – and tell someone you trust and like to speak to.



N O MEANS NO

You always have the right to say 'no' – even to a family member or someone you love. You're in control of your body and the most important thing is how YOU feel. If you want to say 'No', it's your choice.



T ALK ABOUT SECRETS THAT UPSET YOU

There are good secrets and bad secrets. If a secret makes you feel sad or worried, it's bad – and you should tell an adult you trust about it straight away.



S PEAK UP, SOMEONE CAN HELP

It's always good to talk about stuff that makes you upset. If you're worried, go and tell a grown up you trust – like a family member, teacher or one of your friend's parents. They'll say well done for speaking out and help make everything OK. You can also call Childline on 0800 1111 and someone will always be there to listen.



Remember all of these rules and they'll help you stay safe, just like Pantosaurus



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Community



Scarecrow Festival 2020 – Entries and Competition winners



The children worked hard to create their class scarecrow entries for our competition. Thank you to all of the parents/carers that were able to attend our socially distanced Scarecrow Festival. If you were not able to attend and you would like to vote for your favourite scarecrow, could you please email office1@cherrytrees.staffs.sch.uk, with the number of your favourite scarecrow by 4:00pm on Friday 23rd October. We will announce the winner of the Scarecrow Competition on Monday 2nd November.

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COVID Safe



What to do if...	Action Needed ..	Return to school when
My child is ill with symptoms not linked to Covid-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL ♦ Contact school to inform us ♦ Ring on each day of illness 	After 48 hours following the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea (as per attendance policy)
Someone in my household has Covid-19 symptoms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL ♦ Contact school to inform us ♦ Self isolate the whole household ♦ Household member to get a test ♦ Inform school immediately about test result 	The test comes back negative
Someone in my household tests positive for Covid-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL ♦ Contact school to inform us ♦ Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum 14days) ♦ Self isolate the whole household 	The child has completed 14 days of isolation
NHS test and trace has identified my child has had close contact with somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL ♦ Contact school to inform us ♦ Agree an earliest date for possible return (minimum 14days) 	The child has completed 14 days of isolation
NHS test and trace has identified a household member (other than my child) has had close contact with somebody with symptoms or confirmed Covid-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ The household member must self-isolate for 14 days ♦ Child can continue to attend school 	Child can continue to attend school
A sibling attending another school has been sent home to self-isolate due to their being a positive case in their school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Sibling must self-isolate for 14 days ♦ Child(ren) at this school can continue to attend 	Child can continue to attend school
My child's bubble is closed due to Covid-19 outbreak in school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL ♦ Support your child at home with remote education provided by your school ♦ Your child needs to self-isolate for 14 days ♦ Other siblings may continue to attend school 	The child has completed 14 days isolation

Please take a look at our website www.cherrytrees.staffs.sch.uk where you will find more guidance about Covid-19 related pupil absence.