

NEWSLETTER



CherryTree
ACADEMY

MESSAGE FROM MISS NEWLEY

Dear Parents and Carers,

Here's a snapshot of our week at Cherry Tree this week:

Writing Challenge

In Monday's assembly, I set all of the children a challenge to write a letter to someone. We spoke through why it is an important skill to be able to write a letter and discussed digital communication of emails and texts also, before thinking about who we might like to write to! The children can choose anyone from a family member to a friend or even a celebrity sportsman, musician or author! I have really enjoyed reading letters that the children have started writing at home and read some persuasive letters to myself too. We will be providing envelopes and stamps for the children to send their letters and can't wait to see whether we get replies!

Celebrating Writing Achievement!

We introduced Writing Certificates in assembly yesterday to recognise outstanding work, extra effort and engagement with writing. Each week, one writer will be selected as the Writer of the Week from each class and will be rewarded with the privilege of sitting on the golden chair in class for the week until the next pupil is chosen. We love celebrating our pupils' creativity and effort in writing—keep up the great work!

Sensory Awareness Training for Staff

Our wonderful staff completed some Sensory Awareness Training with our Inclusion Partner on Wednesday, which helps ensure we are providing the best possible support for all of our pupils, especially those with sensory processing needs. This will enhance our school's inclusive approach and provide a richer, more understanding environment for everyone.

Reminder: Be Punctual and Bring Your Kit!

A quick reminder to all families: it's important for pupils to be punctual and arrive at school on time each day. The school gate opens at 8:30am and closes at 8.40am. Please ensure you arrive at school in good time. This ensures that everyone starts the day together and maximises learning time. Arriving after the gate closes causes disruption to pupils and staff and results in 'late marks and unauthorised absence sessions.' Thank you for your support with this. Also, please check that your child has everything they need in their kit—PE kits, reading books/diaries, and water bottle—to help them stay organised and ready for the day ahead. There are currently too many pupils missing out on PE sessions due to not having kit. Help us improve this and please do talk to a member of staff if you have any concerns or require any support.

Have a lovely weekend
Miss Newley



Wear Your **SCARF** Day

**Support children's mental wellbeing
on Friday 7 February**

Free resources for primary schools to celebrate the SCARF values – impacting positively on children's mental health, behaviour and achievement.



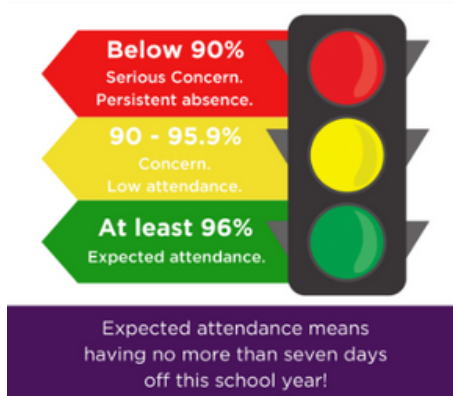
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**THERE ARE LOTS OF EXCELLENT RESOURCES FOR
PARENTS TO USE WITH THEIR CHILDREN AT HOME.
PLEASE FOLLOW THE LINK:**

**[HTTPS://WWW.CORAMLIFEEDUCATION.ORG.UK/FA
MILY-SCARF](https://www.coramlifeeducation.org.uk/family-scarf)**

MESSAGES FROM THE OFFICE

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



EYFS 78.8%
YEAR 1 92.3%
YEAR 2 97.3%
YEAR 3 81.5%
YEAR 4 82.6%
YEAR 5 88.1%
YEAR 6 96.0%
TOTAL SCHOOL
88.09%

Parent Breakfast Mornings

We are pleased to invite parents & carers (one per child please) to join us in school for breakfast club. These special mornings will run alongside the daily breakfast club.

The menu will be:

Selection of cereals
Toast & jam
Pancakes & syrup
Bacon Bap
Sausage Bap
Hot and cold drinks

There will also be fun activities to do when you have eaten.
The cost will be £5 for one adult and one child (additional children £3.50 - please contact the office if you wish to pay for another child).

These breakfast clubs will be running on the following days:

Friday 31st January 2025 @ 7.45am - 8.30am

Friday 7th February 2025 @ 7.45am - 8.30am

Friday 14th February 2025 @ 7.45am - 8.30am

We need to know the adult meal numbers in advance - Please pay via the Parentmail app by Monday of the week you wish to attend and we will take the numbers from there. The payment item is listed as Parent's breakfast club with the relevant date,

READING AT CHERRY TREE



AT CHERRY TREE ACADEMY WE ARE PASSIONATE ABOUT ENSURING THAT EVERY CHILD IS A READER. ONE OF THE WAYS WE DO THIS IS TO USE A COMPUTER PROGRAM CALLED ACCELERATED READER (AR). AR HELPS TEACHERS MANAGE AND MONITOR CHILDREN'S INDEPENDENT READING PRACTISE. YOUR CHILD PICKS A BOOK AT HIS/HER OWN LEVEL AND READS IT AT HIS/HER OWN PACE. WHEN FINISHED, YOUR CHILD TAKES A SHORT QUIZ ON THE COMPUTER - PASSING THE QUIZ IS AN INDICATION THAT YOUR CHILD HAS UNDERSTOOD WHAT HAS BEEN READ.

WB 23.01.25		
Year	Most words read - individual	Total words read – whole class
Year 1	Ella and Theo	
Year 2	Anifowose - 42,526	59,479
Year 3	Hope – 2,741	5,924
Year 4	Sydney – 16,291	64,812
Year 5	Ayomipo - 139,588	266,005
Year 6	Victoria – 108,459	321,481

And for the writer of the week

Year	Awarded to
EYFS	Yaqub
Year 1	Sophia
Year 2	Marcus
Year 3	Nuala
Year 4	Evie
Year 5	Fosterina
Year 6	Phoebe

RESULTS

The highest number of minutes played:

Karim Year 3
Kayleigh Year 5
Fosterina Year 5

The highest accuracy this week

Isaac Year 3
Kaycee-Lee Year 4
Bella Year 3

The most improved speed this week

Trei Year 5
Kayleigh Year 5
Alex Year 4



LEARNING YOUR TIMES TABLES IS SO IMPORTANT AND WE LIKE TO MAKE IT FUN FOR THE CHILDREN. WE USE TIMES TABLES ROCK STARS WHICH AN AWARD-WINNING MATHS PLATFORM WHERE CHILDREN CAN PRACTISE THEIR TIMES TABLES LIKE A ROCK STAR!

KS1 NUMBOTS CHALLENGE



AWARDED TO THE CHILDREN THAT PLAY FOR THE MOST TIME.

**1ST ANIFOWOSE
2ND RONNIE
3RD BRIAN**