

Cherry Class Newsletter

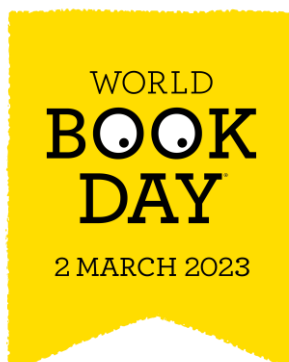
Term 4

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to term 4, we hope that you all had a lovely half term break. We have exciting events coming up this term – please make a note of the dates.

This term we are blasting off into space as our topic to underpin our learning. We started off our term with looking at the Oliver Jeffer's story, 'How to Catch a Star' and exploring different 2D shapes. Then this week we've been talking all about pants with Aliens Love Underpants, we've been decorating a washing line of pants and I hope that we don't have any aliens come down and steal them! We're getting ready to have fun with junk modelling when we read 'Whatever Next' and enjoy thinking about having a picnic on the moon. We are also looking forward to exploring some science experiments during science week and learning all about the astronaut Tim Peake and what it's really like to go to space! This term we will continue with our phase one phonics through the Little Wandle phonics scheme to help support our early literacy skills. In our maths inputs and our Nursery environment we are focusing on shape, measure and our counting skills. We will continue to follow 'in the moment' planning for each child where we follow and support each child's interests to help all the children make progress in their learning.

World Book Day



World Book Day is being held on Thursday 7th March this year. We would like to extend this to the whole week from Monday 4th February - Friday 8th March so that all children can participate in this event. Throughout this week we will be sharing stories, looking at different authors and if they would like to, children can dress up on any day as their favourite character. Children can bring in books from home to share with us and we will have lots of different activities planned around our favourite stories. Your child will also be receiving a World Book Day Token, which can be used in participating shops.

Science week

This year we will be joining the school in celebrating Science Week during the week 11th-15th March. This year's theme is "Time". We have lots of exciting experiments and investigations planned and we look forward to sharing these with you via ClassDojo, you might even want to try a few of these at home!



Comic Relief – Red Nose Day

This year Comic Relief is on Friday 15th March, but to allow all children to participate, we will be raising money all week from 11th-15th March.

30 Hour Funding

We would like to remind all Parents who receive 30 hours funding that they are responsible for re-validating their eligibility code every 3 months, by the dates given to you by HMRC. If you think that you may be entitled to 30 hours government funding please visit www.childcarechoices.gov.uk

Spare Clothes

We ask that all families provide their child with a clearly labelled set of spare clothes, in case your child needs to be changed when at Nursery.

We know it's hard to keep track of but if your child has borrowed nursery spare clothes, can we ask that this be returned to the nursery. We are now very low on nursery spare clothes and would really appreciate any donations of socks you may have.

Staffing & Key person approach

In the Nursery each child is assigned a key person. Their role is to help ensure that every child's care is tailored to meet their individual needs and to help the child become familiar with the setting. To ensure consistency for all children we have made the decision to change our current key person system. Lou our qualified teacher will now be the named key person for all children. This allows her to tailor planning and learning for all children, with the rest of the staffing team supporting children's learning and development. If you have any questions, please feel free to talk to Lou or Rachel.

Due to medical reasons Laura will be absent in term 4 starting from 4th March.

Nursery Essentials

- If your child has had a case of sickness and diarrhoea, please keep them off for 48 hours.
- Bring a spare set of clothes (clearly labelled) for your child (especially underwear).
- If your child still requires a nappy change, please can you ensure that you provide nappies and wipes.
- Please can we also ask that if your child has grapes or cocktail sausages, that these are cut lengthways. Also please ensure all lunchboxes are clearly labelled with your child's name.
- Fees are to be paid weekly, monthly, or a term **IN ADVANCE**. We accept payment by cash, bank transfer, tax free child accounts and card payments in the school office. Our sort code: **60-60-08**, Account No: **83294902** Ref:
Child's full name



Diary Dates

Monday 19th February – Start of term 4

Thursday 7th March – World Book Day

11th-15th March – Science Week

Friday 15th March - Red nose day

Thursday 21st March – World Poetry day

Thursday 28th March – End of term 4

Monday 15th April – Start of day 5

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