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Date: 6th November 2020

Newsletter

We are open!!



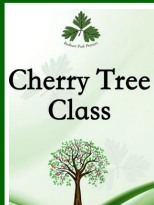
Thank you for all the positive feedback that we have received this week and for your support and cooperation while we have made the move into our permanent home. We hope that your children have had a wonderful first week here and are happy in their new classrooms; the pictures below will give you a snapshot of what the children have been learning this week. We are disappointed that we cannot show off the inside of the school at the moment but once restrictions are lifted we will allow parents to tour the school so that we can share it with you all.

Mrs J Fraser

Mrs L Dance

Executive Headteacher

Head of School



What a wonderful week we have had settling into our new school. The children have been fantastic and have loved exploring their new classroom, inside and out!

Our role play area "Cherry Tree Cottage" has definitely been most popular. It has been lovely seeing the children use the resources and play together to make dinner, look after the babies and even do the washing up!

Well done Cherry Tree class on a super first week back!

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What an exciting week in our gorgeous new building! The children have loved having so much space and such beautiful learning areas. They have settled quickly and are moving around the school really well. There has been a lot to learn and take in so I think they will sleep well this weekend. Oak Tree class have learnt four new sounds ck,e,u,r. One of these is a two letter sound 'ck' this is called a digraph! We have looked at the paintings of the artist Kandinsky and created firework pictures and poppies to celebrate the special days. The children have come back from half term really keen to write which has been wonderful to see.



We have had so much fun exploring our new school building! It has been lovely to see the children being curious about their new learning environments, especially their beautiful outside space. The Phonic Fairy must have received our letters, as she sent us the new sounds ck, e, u and r for our Reception children. We have been balancing across the obstacle course with eggs on a spoon and writing lots of marks. The children are enjoying practising their sparkle marks and writing their names. In Year 1, we have been learning an autumn poem. The children have made up actions, written a text map and have been performing the poem as a class. In Maths, we have been ordering numbers and

Remembrance Sunday

Children in all three classes have been learning about Remembrance Sunday and the significance of the poppy. Their artwork is being displayed on the classroom windows for all to see.



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Travel to school, parking and road safety.

Thank you to everyone who has made an effort to walk, scoot or cycle to school.

There have been some teething problems this week and we are aware that the current parking arrangement is not ideal in terms of safety. We have already started looking into how we can improve the current parking area and traffic flow in general.

Going forward there will be road markings, warning signs, a "kiss and drop" system and Rainscombe Road will be part of a one-way system from the junction with Salthrop Rise. In the meantime, to ensure the safety of everyone, could we ask that you:

- Consider parking at the temporary school site and walking the rest of the way to school
- Avoid walking on the path behind parked cars
- Please do not walk down the centre of the road
- Please do not double park
- Please do not park on corners and prevent a clear view for those crossing the road
- Please do not park in such a way as to block the road and prevent emergency vehicle access
- Please do not block driveways



A huge thank you to Mrs Hartson for arranging a very generous donation of PE equipment from Swindon college. We now have balls, goals, hoops, cones, bean bags and even a trampette to use in the playground and on the sports field—Roll on Sports day!



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General notices

- 📌 **Beech tree class:** please enter via the side gate to avoid queuing up the steps and compromising the social distancing rule
- 📌 **Oak tree class :** please can parents use a one way system on main steps—down the left and back up the left (ie keep to the left)
- 📌 **Cherry Tree Class:** please can we ask you to bring in spare clothes for your child, even if they are confident using the toilet, as they may get wet during outdoor learning. We hope to start our Welly Walks next week so please bring in a pair of wellies and waterproof suit/trousers ASAP for your child to wear during our Welly Walks. Thank you
- 📌 Oak and Beech tree classes: please could all children have a pair of wellies that will stay in school, a PE kit, book bag and waterproofs in school by Tuesday 10th November
- 📌 Photographs on 17th November will still go ahead but only individual photos will be taken (no siblings) and they will all be taken standing up to avoid touching the same surface. Covid safe procedures will be followed throughout the process.
- 📌 Children in Need 13th November—children can come to school dressed in something spotty or Pudsey themed in return for a donation to the fundraising appeal supporting children's organisations and projects across the UK
- 📌 We would welcome donations of good quality toys, particularly wooden ones, if you are having a sort out before Christmas. Donations will be quarantined before being given out to classes.
- 📌 Please make bookings for After school and Breakfast club on the Parentpay website. If you have any queries or need any help with making the bookings please contact the school office
- 📌 Parent consultation afternoons by video link are next week. If you haven't already made a booking please log on to the My Child at School portal to book. Class teachers will email you a link to join the meeting at the beginning of next week



Cherry Tree Class



Nursery times

In order for the nursery day to be more in line with the rest of the school, we have decided to amend the finish time for nursery in the new year. From **6th January 2021** nursery will start at 08.30 but finish at **3.15pm**.

Drop off and collection location will remain the same.

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School Diary

November 2020

11th & 12th : Parent consultation meetings

12th : "Zoom" meetings for new Reception parents

13th : Children in need

17th : Individual photos

19th : "Zoom" meetings for new Reception and Nursery parents

27th : "Zoom" meetings for new Reception parents

December 2020

11th : Christmas jumper day

16th : "Virtual nativity" uploaded to our private you tube channel

17th : Christmas lunch for all pupils

January 2021

4th & 5th Teacher training days—school closed to all pupils

Teacher Training Days 202/2021:

- Monday & Tuesday 1st & 2nd September 2020
- Monday 19th October
- Monday 4th & 5th January 2021
- Friday 2nd July 2021