

# Newsletter







15<sup>th</sup> December 2023

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**Growth and Excellence, Every Day** 

We have had a WONDERFUL WEEK, at Cherry Tree. We have had our year 5/6 Christmas performances, Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper – our children (and staff) loved every second of it!

We even had a special visitor (shhh!). Our year 5/6 children have visit Willow Park Care home, today, to sing Christmas carols to the residents.

Next week, as we enter our final week for the autumn term, we still have lots to look forward to including our EYFS and key stage 1 nativity, Reindeer Run and Pantomime.

As always, thank you for your support.

Mr Dawson - Headteacher

## **Term Dates - 2023/24**

#### Autumn Term 2023

Holiday starts - Monday 30 October 2023 Back to school - Monday 6 November 2023

#### Spring half term 2024

Holiday starts - Monday 12 February 2024 Back to school - Monday 19 February 2024 Easter

Holiday starts - Monday 25 March 2024 Back to school - Monday 8 April 2024

#### Christmas

Holiday starts - Monday 25 December 2023 Back to school - Monday 8 January 2024

### Summer half term

Holiday starts - Tuesday 28 May 2024 Back to school - Monday 3 June 2024

School closes for the summer break on Thursday 18th July 2024.

#### Bank holidays 2023/24

Summer Bank Holiday - Monday 28 August 2023
Boxing Day - Tuesday 26 December 2023
Christmas Day (substitute day) - Monday 25 December 2023
New Year's Day (substitute day) - Monday 1 January 2024
Good Friday - Friday 29 March 2024
Easter Monday - Monday 1 April 2024
May Day - Monday 6 May 2024
Spring Bank Holiday - Monday 27 May 2024

Inset Days (subject to change): Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024 Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mr A Dawson Deputy DSL: Mrs S Wiggins and Mrs J Storey

If you are worried a child is at risk of harm, please contact one of the above or Social Care Direct on 0345 8503503 Copies of the Safeguarding Policy can be obtained from the school office or downloaded from the school website. https://cherrytreeacademy.org/safeguarding/

# Attendance 8/12/23

Dibdale (Reception)	88%
Mossdale (Reception/Year 1)	82%
Rosedale (Year 1/2)	93%
Wensleydale (Year 2)	95%
Swaledale (Year 3 / 4)	86%
Silverdale (Year 3 / 4)	94%
Ribblesdale (Year 5)	91%
Wharfedale (Year 5/6)	86%
Cragdale (Year 6)	97%

## **Star Of The Week!**

Dibdale (Reception)	Harley Milton
Mossdale (Reception/Y1)	Logan Martin
Rosedale (Year 1/2)	Harvey Womack
Wensleydale (Year 2)	Coben Powell
Swaledale (Year 3 / 4)	Lacey-Mae Pond
Silverdale (Year 3 / 4)	Nolans Ozolins
Ribblesdale (Year 5)	Kyra Askham
Wharfedale (Year 5/6)	Isla Burdon
Cragdale (Year 6)	Gracie-May Arden- Breeze

# **Every School Day Counts**



## **Every Minute Counts**

### LATENESS = LOST LEARNING

(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

5 Minutes late each day
3 days lost!

10 Minutes late each day
6.5 days lost!

15 Minutes late each day
10 days lost!

20 Minutes late each day
13 days lost!

30 Minutes late each day
19 days lost!

Be at the classroom on time and ready to learn!

# Reindeer Run Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2023

We are delighted to be taking part in the reindeer run for The Prince of Wales Hospice this year, the children will be doing their run/walk on Tuesday 19th December 2023.

Every child who participates will receive –

- · Reindeer antlers
- · A sponsor form for each reindeer
- · A certificate for each reindeer who takes part



The Prince of Wales Hospice is a charity which raises around £3 million annually to support people in our local area, and last year the Reindeer Run raised just over £40,000 which is enough money to run one of their rooms for nearly 90 days!

We hope you'd like to get involved and help raise much needed funds to support the hospice.

https://www.pwh.org.uk/

# Meet the Headteacher...

- Mr Dawson will be available to meet with parents, from any class to discuss things that are going well and take questions from parents and carers.
- If you are interested in meeting with Mr Dawson, please contact Mrs Hayes, in the school office. An appointment, in person or via the telephone will be arranged.
- Parent views are vital to our school success.

# **Parking Request**

The council have brought in restrictions on the section of Cobblers Lane that runs in front of our school and Holy Family.

The restrictions became legally binding earlier this year.

Despite this, on the last visit by West Yorkshire Police, they spoke to 20-30 drivers who were not adhering to the restrictions.

To clarify, the street is closed to all vehicles, except those with a valid permit, from 8.30 am to 9.10 am and again from 2.45 pm to 3.25 pm.

These restrictions are in place is to try to ensure the safety of the children and families walking to and from school.

The police will be making routine checks and will be issuing penalties to those who are not abiding by the restrictions.

Those parents/carers who drive to school but do not qualify for a permit we have a park and stride site at the Cobblers Pub which you are welcome to use.

Thank you for your support in this matter. I am sure everyone agrees that the safety of our children is priority.







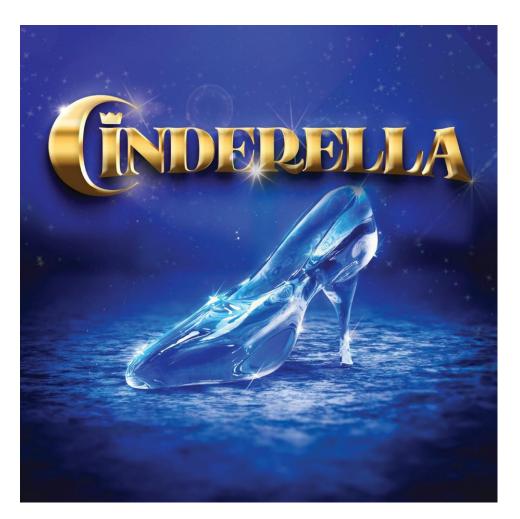








Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December – afternoon for the children of Cherry Tree Academy... Cinderella Pantomime!







Tesco In-Store Vote Update!

Cherry Tree Academy

Stronger Starts



Improve Our Outdoor Learning Space

We would like to improve our outdoor provision in early years and key stage 1.

The project with the highest number of votes across your region will receive £1,500, the second placed project £1,000, and the third placed project £500.

What happens next?

Stores which will vote on your project. Please see below a list of stores taking part in the voting on your project.

2076 Ponterfract Express Small unit WF8 2QJ

3021 Pontefract Large unit WF8 1BJ

4806 Castleford Exp Small unit WF10 5NN

6433 Cstlford Fystn Rd Exp Small unit WF10 3LW