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Growth and Excellence, Every Day

Welcome to our first February newsletter!

As you know, we have had Ofsted visit the school, this week. I am really pleased with overall outcome and a positive experience. However, there is still lots to do in order to give our the best possible education.

As we head into the first week of spring 1, we have lots of exciting things planned including our Waterton's Got Talent auditions and football skills visit from Leeds United and Safer Internet Day (6th February).

As always, you support is crucial. Please let me know if I can help or support.

Have a wonderful weekend.

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 24th May 2024

Friday 19th July 2024

Monday 22nd July 2024

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mr A Dawson Deputy DSL: Mrs S Wiggins, Miss K King, Mrs P Millard and Mr P Wright

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 26/1/24

Dibdale (Reception)	93%
Mossdale (Reception/Year 1)	86%
Rosedale (Year 1/2)	90%
Wensleydale (Year 2)	94%
Swaledale (Year 3 / 4)	91%
Silverdale (Year 3 / 4)	88%
Ribblesdale (Year 5)	88%
Wharfedale (Year 5/6)	93%
Cragdale (Year 6)	94%

Star Of The Week!

Dibdale (Reception)	Isla Mountain
Mossdale (Reception/Y1)	Harry Causier
Rosedale (Year 1/2)	Leo Gordon
Wensleydale (Year 2)	Poppy-Rose Tolley-Hill
Swaledale (Year 3 / 4)	Kinga Flynn
Silverdale (Year 3 / 4)	Carter Franklin
Ribblesdale (Year 5)	Lily-Rose Griffiths
Wharfedale (Year 5/6)	Mason Brown
Cragdale (Year 6)	Iyla-Rose Ruckledge

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!

This Week in Pictures

Stars of the Week



This Week in Pictures



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 are legally binding.

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.

Tesco In-Store Vote Update!

Cherry Tree Academy

Improve Our Outdoor Learning Space

Stronger Starts.



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 Fystrn Rd Exp	Small unit	WF10 3LW



Safer Internet Day takes place in February of each year to raise awareness of a safer and better internet for all, and especially for children and young people.



SAVE the DATE

Safer Internet Day

2024 | Tuesday
6 February

www.saferinternetday.org



<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers/phones>

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers/games-consoles>

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/social-media-guides>



BE SMART ONLINE



S SAFE Keep your personal information safe. When chatting or posting online don't give away things like your full name, password or home address. Remember personal information can be seen in images and videos you share too. Keep them safe to keep yourself safe.

M MEET Meeting up with someone you only know online, even a friend of a friend, can be dangerous as this person is still a stranger. If someone you only know online ever asks you to meet up, for personal information - or for photos/videos of you then tell an adult straight away and report them together on www.thinkuknow.co.uk

A ACCEPTING Think carefully before you click on or open something online (e.g. links, adverts, friend requests, photos) as you never know where they may lead to or they may contain viruses. Do not accept something if you are unsure of who the person is or what they've sent you.

R RELIABLE You cannot trust everything you see online as some things can be out of date, inaccurate or not entirely true. To find reliable information compare at least three different websites, check in books and talk to someone about what you have found.

T TELL Tell a trusted adult if something or someone ever makes you feel upset, worried or confused. This could be if you or someone you know is being bullied online. There are lots of people who will be able to help you like your teachers, parents, carers or contact Childline - 0800 11 11 or www.childline.org.uk

BE SMART WITH A HEART
Remember to always be smart with a heart by being kind and respectful to others online. Make the internet a better place by helping your friends if they are worried or upset by anything that happens online.

WWW.CHILDNET.COM



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<https://cherrytreeacademy.org/online-safety>



- Parents/carers are aware of what support is available to them across Wakefield and know how to access the support should it be needed now or in the future.
- Parents/carers to understand the importance of self-care and how to practise it.
- Parents/carers to have an increased level of confidence and self-esteem.
- The wellbeing group is a safe space for parents/carers to meet others who are experiencing similar situations to each other, to receive advice from trusted professionals, to build self-esteem, confidence, and to enhance mental wellbeing.
- There are a variety of wellbeing craft activities for parents/carers to engage with if they would like to do so, and we always have a celebration session on the final week. The wellbeing group runs for 10-12 weeks, term time only.

These sessions are to start in early February – please see Mrs Wiggins, if you are interested.

In School Auditions

Waterton Academy Trust is pleased to present **'Waterton's Got Talent 2024'**. Waterton Academy Trust are looking for some enthusiastic children to perform at the annual Trust wide talent event. successful auditionees will be invited to perform with children from across the Trust to a live audience on Thursday 21st March 2024.

Auditions Date: Thursday 8th February 2024

Location: School Hall

School Judges: Mr Dawson, Mrs Hutchinson
and Mrs Wiggins

★ **How to Enter:** ★

- 1. Let Mrs Hutchinson know that you would like to take part.**
- 2. Decide if you want to audition by yourself or with a group of friends.**
- 3. Get lots of practice!**
- 4. Audition in front of your in-school judges**
- 5. School judges select the act to represent your school at the Waterton's Got Talent performance.**

