



Growth and Excellence, Every Day

8<sup>th</sup> March 2024

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## 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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**

Welcome to our second newsletter, this month.

We have had such a wonderful week – lots going on including World Book Day! Thank you to everyone for your support. The staff and pupil outfits were incredible!

We have also been lucky to have Ground Works Yorkshire in school, tree planting. We received over 300 saplings and each class have had the chance to plant one.

Next week is Red Nose Day – any donations are welcome! Please feel free to wear something red.

We have also received our final Ofsted report – there are many positives and some clear next steps to action in the coming months. The link is:

[https://cherrytreeacademy.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/10/2024/03/10313565-Cherry-Tree-Academy\\_Final.pdf](https://cherrytreeacademy.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/10/2024/03/10313565-Cherry-Tree-Academy_Final.pdf)

*Mr Dawson - Headteacher*

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mr A Dawson Deputy DSL: Mrs S Wiggins, Mrs P Millard, Miss K King 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 8/3/24

Dibdale (Reception)	90%
Mossdale (Reception/Year 1)	90%
Rosedale (Year 1/2)	94%
Wensleydale (Year 2)	93%
Swaledale (Year 3 / 4)	86%
Silverdale (Year 3 / 4)	97%
Ribblesdale (Year 5)	89%
Wharfedale (Year 5/6)	91%
Cragdale (Year 6)	97%

## Every School Day Counts



## Every Minute Counts

**LATENESS = LOST LEARNING**  
(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

5 Minutes late each day	<b>3 days lost!</b>
10 Minutes late each day	<b>6.5 days lost!</b>
15 Minutes late each day	<b>10 days lost!</b>
20 Minutes late each day	<b>13 days lost!</b>
30 Minutes late each day	<b>19 days lost!</b>

**Be at the  
classroom on  
time and ready to  
learn!**

# Cherry Tree Stars of the Week

## Dibdale

Jacob  
Dunning  
Diana Szabo

## Mossdale

Harry Causier  
Theo

## Rosedale

Lillie Seaton  
Elliot Shore

## Wensleydale

Rory Wileman-  
Ashby  
Filip Warzala

## Swaledale

Issac  
Anderson  
Caileb Scott

## Silverdale

Jake Gillen  
Liberty Askham

## Ribblesdale

Lexi Schofield  
Lillie Haytack

## Wharfedale

Tillie Clark  
Oliver Derbisz-  
Stevens

## Cragdale

Declan  
Millie Brown



# This Week in Pictures

## Stars of the Week



# Easter Activities



Date	Event	Activity
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	School reopens	
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February	Young Voices	
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March	World book day	Children are invited to dress up for school this day, as a character from a book or well-loved story.
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Y5 Bikeability	All week
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	Y2 outdoor learning	Tree planting, Bird boxes and bug hotels
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Comic Relief	None uniform day, wear your funniest red nose.
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Chocolate Raffle (more information to follow)	Tickets to be sold all week in class, raffle drawn on Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March.
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Science week	Children will learn lots of interesting facts this week.
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Disco (more information to follow)	15.30-16.30 – R, Y1, Y2 16.45-17.45 – Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Decorate a hard-boiled egg competition	Prizes to be won.
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Waterton's Got Talent	The winner chosen in school will get to perform at Normanton Junior Academy

# 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 Fystn Rd Exp	Small unit	WF10 3LW



**VOTING ENDS ON 31<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2024**



Vote for the project that means the most to you. Each school will receive up to £1,500.

**Castleford Academy Trust**

Girls Esports Club

The primary objective of the Girls Esports Club is to create a safe and inclusive space for girls to participate in competitive gaming, promoting skills development.

Castleford

Vote in-store until 31 March 2024



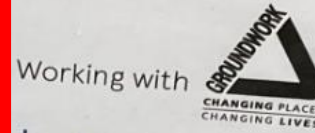
**Cherry Tree Academy**

Improve our Outdoor Learning Space

We would like to improve our outdoor provision in early years and key stage 1 but providing our pupils with the opportunity to improve their motor skills.

Pontefract

Vote in-store until 31 March 2024



**Forget Me Not Children's Hospice**

Life Enhancing / Life Sustaining Ventilation

We support babies / children on a ventilator either for life-enhancing or life-sustaining ventilation (aids breathing or breathes for the child).

Castleford

Vote in-store until 31 March 2024



**TESCO**

**Vote now**

The logo consists of a white circle on a red background. Inside the circle, the words "RED NOSE DAY" are written in bold, black, sans-serif capital letters. A large, 3D-style red nose is positioned in the center, overlapping the word "NOSE".

**RED  
NOSE  
DAY**

**Friday 24 March**

**Wear something red!**

# Thank You!

## Cherry Tree Academy

For raising such an amazing amount of money from your participation in the Reindeer Run 2023! Your support and kind donations makes a huge difference to patient care.

£787



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-  When you purchase a book, at checkout you can choose our school name for the donation to be allocated to, and our school can then purchase books with the funds.

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