

# AUTUMN TERM NEWSLETTER 3

Friday, 19<sup>th</sup>  
December 2025

# CHERRY TREE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Our Mission Statement

*Bringing out the best in each other  
as we blossom & grow*



## Our Values

*Happy, Aspirational, Resilient,  
Independent, Open-minded, Compassionate*

## SCHOOL NEWS

### KEY DATES

Event or reminder	Date / time / deadline	Any action needed
<b>End of Term</b>	<b>Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> December- 2:30pm FINISH</b> <i>Our 'Out of School Club' does not offer childcare on this final day and will be closed.</i>	
<b>Christmas Holiday- Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> to December to Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> January</b>		
<b>Back to school</b>	<b>Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> January</b>	We look forward to welcoming everyone back at 8:50am
<b>Y6 London and SATs workshop for parents</b>	<b>Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> January</b>	An informative workshop for Y6 parents- no need to book, just turn up.
<b>Y6 Trip to Chester Zoo</b>	<b>Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> January</b>	Please remember to give consent/pay for these trips via the app. <i>Any child eligible for Pupil Premium can have a trip funded by school- consent is still needed via the app.</i>
<b>Y1 Trip to Staircase House</b>	<b>Friday, 16<sup>th</sup> January</b>	
<b>Y4 Trip to Chester</b>	<b>Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> January</b>	
<b>Y1 Class Assembly</b>	<b>Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> January 9:15am</b>	All Y1 family members are welcome to join the Y1 class assembly. Enter via hall/playground door.
<b>Preschool and YF Trip to Imagine That</b>	<b>Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> February</b>	Please remember to give consent/pay for these trips via the app. <i>Any child eligible for Pupil Premium can have a trip funded by school- consent is still needed via the app.</i>
<b>Y5 Football Tournament</b>	<b>Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> February</b>	
<b>Y4 Assembly</b>	<b>Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> February</b>	All welcome- enter via hall/playground door.
<b>Half Term Holiday- Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> February to Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> February</b>		

### Term Dates

You will find our term dates for the new academic year on our website [www.cherrytreeschool.co.uk](http://www.cherrytreeschool.co.uk) under the Parent Tab. <https://www.cherrytreeschool.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/82/2024/07/Term-dates-2025-26.pdf>

### Cherry Tree News Headlines

#### Christmas Events

Firstly, thank you to all the children for their outstanding performances this Christmas. Our Infant Christmas Concert was uplifting and fun last week; then yesterday our Key Stage 2 carol concert at St Mary's was magical and brought our community together with a mixture of pride and laughter. The support of our staff and parents cannot be underestimated in enabling these events to happen, you are all truly appreciated. ☺

Thank you to our PTA for the fun and festive events that they organised- the children showed determination and resilience in the Santa Dash and last Friday they thoroughly enjoyed the Christmas Bonanza.

Indi from Year 2 said: "We really liked the Christmas Bonanza because we saw Santa and he gave us a present. We really appreciated our special day."

On Saturday, approximately 56 children represented our school in the Lymm Dickensian Parade! We have never had such an amazing number of families sign up for the parade before. We were immensely proud to be voted the 'best dressed school'! I have to admit, our children did look absolutely gorgeous; their smiles lit up the village!

Yesterday, our school cook, Laura and her assistant Gemma, made a delicious Christmas Dinner for record number of children (200!!!) On behalf of the children and staff who enjoyed their tasty dinner- thank you!

Each child was also treated to a Christmas cracker and a chocolate coin.



### Cards & Gifts- Thank You

Thank you for the many Christmas cards, gifts and messages sent to our staff, we are all very appreciative of your kindness and ongoing support.

### Preschool News



We were so proud of our youngest children during the Infant Christmas Concert. It was wonderful to see them singing with confidence and joining in enthusiastically with all the actions.

Their excitement continued with a magical visit to Santa's grotto, where they loved meeting Santa and sharing their Christmas wishes. What a lovely start to the festive season!

**FIKA FRIDAY** will continue in the new year with more children invited to join our preschoolers for **hot chocolate**- please give consent for your child to participate via the app.

### Spaces Available

We have both full and part-time spaces available in our nurturing and stimulating preschool for children aged from 2 ½ to 4. Please contact school to book a tour or for more information about joining our preschool family.

### Preschool After School Club

A reminder that we offer childcare for our current preschool children who are aged 3 or 4. If this is something you are interested in, please contact the school office.

### School Council

Earlier this term, our School Council organised a 'Hello Yellow Day' in support of the 'Young Minds' children's mental health charity. They raised an impressive total of £280! Well done to our School Council.

### Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme

Bookings for the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme are open and families can book at [www.warrington.gov.uk/haf](http://www.warrington.gov.uk/haf) HAF is for school-aged children (Reception to Year 11) who receive benefit-related free school meals. A small amount of funding is also available for children who are not on free school meals but may be vulnerable (e.g. open to Early Help, Social Care, or have an EHCP).

Please email [haf@warrington.gov.uk](mailto:haf@warrington.gov.uk) for further information on eligibility or booking.

**Booking Details** • Each eligible child can book up to four activities. • Most clubs run for two days, allowing families to mix and match. • There are 22 providers offering activities such as multi-sports, crafts, and traditional play.

## Class Assemblies / Performances

Parents and grandparents are invited to attend the class assembly. Entrance is via the playground/hall door.

Class	Date	Time
Class 1	Friday, 30 <sup>th</sup> January	9:15am
Class 4	Friday, 13 <sup>th</sup> February	9:15am
Class 2	Friday, 6 <sup>th</sup> March	9:15am
Class 3	Parr Hall 'Primary Arts Network' Performance Monday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> or Tuesday, 24 <sup>th</sup> March- date to be confirmed	6pm
Class 5	Friday, 1 <sup>st</sup> May	9:15am
Class F	Friday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	9:15am
KS2 Performance (Class 3, 4, 5, 6)	Monday, 13 <sup>th</sup> July dress rehearsal for preschool children Tuesday, 14 <sup>th</sup> July Wednesday, 15 <sup>th</sup> July	1:30pm 1:30pm/6pm 6pm
Class 6 Leavers' Assembly	Wednesday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> July (Break up at 2:30pm on Thursday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> July)	9:15am

## FINALLY

As the Autumn term draws to a close, we are so proud of all the children and everything they have achieved. From working hard in class to festive celebrations, it has been a wonderful term.

As I said at the Carol Concert, we have a very strong, supportive school community and a sense that we are all part of one big family at Cherry Tree; this sense of belonging cannot be underestimated – it is what makes our school so very special. My 'Last Christmas' as the Head Teacher of Cherry Tree has been a magical and memorable one. Those lovely memories will keep me going once I retire next Easter 2026!

We wish all our families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and we look forward to seeing the children in January, ready for more learning adventures!

Kind regards



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## REMINDERS

### Birthdays

- Please remember that sweets are not allowed to be given out at school, as a birthday treat. Birthdays will be appropriately celebrated in other ways within the class. If you wish to provide a treat for the class to mark a birthday, we recommend a class story book.

### Scooters and Bikes

We love seeing so many children coming to school on their bikes and scooters – it's a great way to start the day! Just a quick reminder to please hop off as soon as you come through the school gate and walk them on the grounds, to help keep everyone safe.