

Cherry Lane Newsletter



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Thank You!

I am writing to you to thank you all so much for the support you have given the school this term. This has been an extremely challenging year and term for us all. The pupils have been amazing and worked so hard throughout this very long term. They have coped with all the additional challenges that have come our way, in particular during this last two weeks in relation to COVID. I am so thankful for the hard work, determination and resilience that the children and staff have shown this year despite all these challenges.

I cannot tell you how lovely it was to see parents return to school events and assemblies earlier this term and I look forward to being able to invite you all in again once case numbers begin to fall again.

The children have been a true credit to all parents, carers and the community. I am so proud of all our children here at Cherry Lane and how we continue to work together to get through the ups and downs of this global pandemic.

Therefore, I would like to wish you all a lovely Christmas and Happy New year. I hope you all have a relaxing time over the festive season. We are looking forward to returning in January to a New Year and new term with refreshed enthusiasm and hope for the future.

Merry Christmas

Miss Tranter

Covid – return to school

If your child tests positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) during the latter part of the school holidays or they are isolating and cannot return to school on Wednesday 5th January please email the test results through to covidresult@cherrylane.hillingdon.sch.uk.

Can we please remind you not to send your child into school if they have a cough, high temperature or loss of taste/smell as this puts others at risk. Instead, please inform the school office and take your child for a PCR test (not a Lateral Flow Test). Once your child has a negative test, they can return to school. We realise that taking children for PCR tests can be challenging, but please continue to support us as we do our best to keep our school community safe. Thank you

January special only

School meals can teach children about food and nutrition, helping them build the foundation for a healthy lifestyle.

"Only 1% of picked lunches meet the nutritional standards applied to school meals." +

School meals significantly improve educational outcomes for children.

£1.50 per meal only

A school meal's calories come from a range of natural ingredients that are full of vitamins and minerals. This is a healthy choice for your child.

KS2 Meal January Sale £1.50 per dinner

A hot daily nutritional school dinner is widely recognised to be a major benefit in the development of children. We would like to encourage more KS2 children to try a freshly cooked nutritious school dinner. During the month of January only, we will be subsidising our meal prices further, your child can have a hot meal every day.

That's only £7.50 per week!

See our menu, options include roast dinner, fish & chips, pizza, pasta, jacket potato. Veg, salad and fresh bread and a yummy dessert is available everyday. Please book on ParentPay.

<https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/education/schools/cherry-lane/>

Afterschool Clubs

All text messages have been sent out to all those pupils who have been offered a place in one of the afterschool clubs (**ie Ballet, Games, Martial Arts or Gymnastics**). Payment of £20 per club will need to be paid to your Parent Pay account by Wednesday 5th January to secure your child's place in the club. If payment is not received by this time your child will not be able to take part in the club. We are hoping to start clubs from week commencing Monday 17th January, but will be confirmed in the New Year.

If your child has not received a text message regarding a club, it means that they were unsuccessful in gaining a place this time but there will be other opportunities to try later in the year.



Medical Appointments

We are aware that it is not always possible to arrange Doctors/Dental/Hospital or any other medical appointments during the school holidays. Therefore, if your child/children are absent, are going to be late or need to be collected early to attend an appointment, medical evidence will have to be given to the school office or it will be recorded as unauthorised absence.

Correspondence to Parents

Our usual method of communication to all our Parents is via text message, using the school database, or via email, if letters are being sent out. We must urge all parents to keep the school office updated of all current mobile numbers or there is the risk of missing out on vital information being communicated. Unfortunately, we are unable to change email address in Parent Pay due to data protection – it is out of our control and needs to be updated by the parents.

Staffing Update

Mrs Jones will be leaving us this term as she finishes the one term maternity cover of 2P. We thank her for all she has done at Cherry Lane and wish her well in the future.

Miss Powers has returned from her maternity leave this week and has been getting to know 2P in preparation for her taking over the class in January. We are pleased to welcome her back.

School Lunches

There are an increasing number of children coming to school without a lunch booked via Parent Pay or without a packed lunch.

This not only causes a problem for the office and the kitchen but it is also upsetting for the child/children.

Please ensure that all school lunches are booked by 9pm every Wednesday for the following week. Please do not leave it until last minute to book, if there are any problems or you are not sure what to do, the school office will not be able to help.

If meals haven't been booked on time, **there are no exceptions**, you **MUST** provide a packed lunch for your child. This must be brought into school with them 1st thing for morning registration every day for the whole week.

On many occasions, children are informing their class teacher that their parents will be bringing lunches in for them, however, when it gets to lunchtime nothing has been brought in and this is causing many problems.

It is not acceptable to send your child to school with no lunch provided at all.

School Closed – Training Days

Tuesday 4th January 2022

6th June 2022

22nd July 2022

Upcoming Events

17th January – Year 5 History Workshop

28th February – Year 4 History Workshop

27th May – Jubilee Celebration - Street Party Lunch

School Calendar

Term Ends: Friday, 17th December @ 2pm

Spring 1 Term Starts: Wednesday, 5th January

Half Term: 14th Feb – 18th Feb

Spring 2 Term Starts: Monday, 21st February

Term Ends: Friday, 1st April @ 2pm

Summer 1 Starts: Wednesday, 20th April

Half Term: 30th May – 3rd June

Summer 2 Starts: Tuesday, 7th June

Term Ends: Thursday, 21st July @ 2pm

