

# Newsletter September 2020



Welcome to the new school year! We are so pleased to see everyone's return after such a long time away. It has been lovely to see children arriving with smiling faces, smartly dressed in their uniforms ready for the start of term. A special welcome to our new Cherry class children and families.

Everyone is quickly settling in and enjoying seeing friends again.

We are pleased to welcome two members of staff, Miss Walsgrove, who has joined Cherry class and Miss Lane (yes, familiar to us here!) who has joined Willow class. Both are supporting as Teaching Assistants.

Doing things differently! You will have seen from our letters on the website that we have changed what we are doing in order to follow requirements that we need to have in place.

We are all getting used to new ways of working, and your support is essential.

Thank you to you as parents for helping the first few days run smoothly!

CHERRY CLASS - From Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September, we are happy for you to arrive from 8.40 am Please continue to line up by the wooden fence as you have been. Collection arrangements remain the same.

## Reading Books and Home School Reading

- Please return any reading books and library books you have left at home.
- Your child may be given more than one book to read at home each week, which we ask that you read at home together. Your child will read different books at school with the teacher.
- Reading Diaries will be checked regularly by class teachers. As they will not be checked daily, please do not use it to convey general messages.
- Books will be quarantined for 72 hours before being used again.

## Please bring book bags/ book/diary on the following days each week:

Cherry class	all pupils	Friday	Friday		
Willow class	Year 1	Monday	Year 2	Tuesday	
Rowan class	Year 3	Thursday	Year 4	Friday	
Oak class	all pupils	Every Day			

## PE

Children will be required to wear their PE kit to school. Don't bring kits to school in PE bags. PE Lessons will take place outside unless weather is too extreme.

Make sure your child has the correct school PE kit, suitable for outdoors once the weather becomes colder. T shirt plus sweat top, joggers and a pair of trainers would be ideal for colder weather for all age groups.

Cherry - PE is on Friday, starting Friday 18 September

Willow - PE is on Monday and Wednesday starting 14 September

Rowan - PE is on Thursday and Friday starting 17 September.

Oak - PE is on Monday and Wednesday starting 14 September.

# School Photographer

The photographer will be coming to school on Monday 21 September. He will be taking individual photos only.



All children will need to wear their uniform on this day (no changing for PE).

## REMINDERS

<u>Covid Measures</u>: It is important everyone follows all the measures we have put in place to minimise the coronavirus risk and keep our community as safe as we can. The Returning to School information is on our website.

<u>Backpacks/Rucksacks</u> No backpacks/rucksacks please. Your child should only bring their coat, water bottle, book bag (on days requested) and packed lunch (if bringing own).

<u>Snack</u>: Only fruit and veg snacks are permitted for break time for Rowan and Oak, and these should be provided as an addition to packed lunch items. NO NUTS/ PEANUT BUTTER.

<u>Outside</u>: So that children can go outside on the grassed areas as much as possible, even if wet, please provide your child with a pair of wellies or old outdoor footwear, that you are happy to be kept at school. The should be named and placed in a carrier bag.

## Achievement

We will continue to keep you up to date with your child's achievement and progress.

During the Autumn and Spring Term, Parents Consultation meetings will be held - these will be by phone call with the class teacher this term.

You will receive a summary end of term report at the end of Autumn term, and an annual report in July.

We will continue to recognise achievement through our Team Points certificates, weekly Gold Book certificates for efforts with learning, positive attitudes and behaviour; and Superstars for demonstration of our Christian values. These will continue to be announced in our Celebration assembly. Children will know they have a certificate and it will be placed in the class, to be brought home at half term.

Attendance will also continue to be recognised for individuals with certificates for termly and annual excellent attendance, and of course the best class attendance for the week wins the Mousekateers.

## Collective Worship Themes

We focus on a different Christian Value each term across the school in Collective Worship, in class and throughout the school.

This half term our Value is Generosity. Next half term it is Compassion.

Whole School Collective worship, and worship led by the Reverend will be held remotely, with Bubbles watching in their classes.

