

# NEWSLETTER

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## Message from the Principal

Thank-you so much to all our parents who have kindly listened to our messages about courtesy and care in the car park. This has really made a difference and will hopefully continue to be manageable as the school grows. Could we also please encourage parents to keep the car park clean and tidy by not dropping litter. As the weather turns, please can I remind parents to make sure you send children in with coats as, unless it's raining very hard, we try to get the children out to play every day.

### Good Luck!

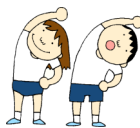
We would like to wish Jessica from Birch class the very best of luck for Friday 12 October when she will be competing at the Great Britain Irish Dance Championship in Brighton!

### Key Stage 1 Breakfast Drop In.

Our October Breakfast Drop In was held yesterday morning – with Miss Featherstone delivering information on KS1 Learning and Homework. For those parents who could not attend, the slides and notes from the meeting will be up on the website to download.

### Family Fitness Workshops

The new Family Fitness and Nutrition Workshop will run every Tuesday championed by the Gr@nd and will run for 12 weeks. The workshop is for pupils and their families so will not be supervised by school staff and covers fitness activities, nutrition and cooking, starting with a cooking Club on Tuesday 6th November. See their poster for more details.



### Extended Schools Service

Final date to sign up for **Holiday Club** to receive a 20% discount is today (Friday 5 October) although bookings for individual sessions can still be made up to the end of the term. Please see the website for full details of daily activities. Pupils staying from 9 – 3 should bring a packed lunch as there are no catering facilities on site during Half Term. Breakfast and Tea will be provided for pupils booking these session options.

Bookings for **ASP** and **Breakfast Club** for T2 are now being processed. Payment should be made on receipt of invoice quoting the invoice number shown as a reference. Registration for extra-curricular school clubs will open next week – but please note these are getting extremely busy on most evenings. For this reason, we will not be taking bookings for any club or activity where there continues to be outstanding amounts owed

Please can we remind you that any **queries** relating to clubs should be e mailed to Miss Bill at

extendedschools@cherryorchardprimary.org.uk  
or contact her after school hours from 3:30 until 5:00pm.

### Parents Consultation Evenings

There will be two formal Parents Evenings after the half term to give parents the opportunity to meet class teachers to discuss progress. Sign-up sheets will be up in the last week of Term 1 and parents should sign for an appointment slot. Sign up sheets will be available at Breakfast Club, on the top patio at pick-up time and at After School Club on Monday 15th and 16th October.

## Provisional Dates for your Diary..... tbc

- ◆ Monday 15th October: Yr 3 Parents Talk on FRIENDS (Resilience Training) @ 9am
- ◆ Harvest Festival Assembly - Tuesday 16th October @ 9.15am
- ◆ Halloween Disco: Wednesday 17th October 3:15 to 4.30pm
- ◆ End of Term 1: Friday 19th October
- ◆ Start of Term 2: Monday 5th November
- ◆ Parents Consultation Evenings: Wednesday 7.11 (3.30 to 7:30) and Thursday 8.11 (3.30pm to 5pm)
- ◆ Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Lunch (tbc): Wednesday 12th December
- ◆ EYFS Christmas Production: Monday 17 December @ 9:30 am and Tuesday 18 December @ 2:15 pm
- ◆ KS1 & KS2 Christmas Production: Monday 17 December @ 2:15 pm and Tuesday 18 December @ 9:30 am

### Christmas Productions

There will be two Christmas Productions this year: one for Nursery/Reception (EYFS) and one for Years 1, 2 & 3. Further details will follow but we expect to run a morning and afternoon show for each Key Stage.

### Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day

Date to be confirmed: Wednesday 12th December

Christmas Dinner from Olive Dining and Singing round the Tree in our favourite Christmas Jumpers! Further details nearer the time but Christmas Roast with all the trimmings will be available to purchase for those children on packed lunches as well as our usual diners!

Christmas Party Day will be the last day of term on Wednesday 19th December. Further details to follow in our next newsletter.

### Harvest Festival Assembly

Parents are invited to join us in our Harvest Festival Celebrations on in the Hall. Contributions of tinned or packet foods (eg fruit, pasta, rice, beans) will be most welcome in the week beginning 15th October. We will then be delivering these donations to the local food bank.

### FRIENDS Resilience Training

On Monday 15th October, the Trust's Educational Psychologist Lucy Robertson, will be coming into school to give a short address to parents in Year 3 to explain a new training programme we will be delivering in school to our Year 3 class after the half term.

She will be in the school hall from 9 am with Mrs. Forsythe, who will be delivering the programme to Birch Class on Monday afternoons in Term 2.

### PE Kits!

A reminder that children **must** have their PE kits in school for their PE lessons. Physical Education is an important part of the curriculum and all children should participate unless they have a note from a doctor to prevent them taking part. PE for Yr R and Year 3 is on Mondays and PE for Nursery and KS1 on Fridays. Please note no jewellery is allowed in school apart from stud earrings and these must be removed or covered with micropore tape (supplied from home)

*(Note Reception are only changing footwear for Term 1 but will change into PE kits in Term 2. Please practise buttons and zips and ties with your children in readiness for this)*

### No Smoking



A reminder that school, including school grounds, is a smoke-free environment, which also applies to vaping, and smoking is therefore not permitted.

### Library Volunteers

If anyone can spare some time to help sort out our library, please see Miss Featherstone in Year 1. Thank you.

### Halloween Disco

We will be holding a Halloween Disco on **Wednesday 17th October from 3:15 until 4.30pm** in place of the usual Party Dance Session. Tickets will be £3 to include hot dog and goodie bag. Pupils who usually attend the Dance Party Session will not need to pay an additional £3 but please note the finishing time will be later at 4.30pm. Children should bring their entrance money into school in a marked envelope with their name and hand to their class teacher not via the office. Entrance will be by ticket only and children will be able to come to school in the morning dressed as their favourite spooky character! There will be music and dancing, fun and games in the school hall and parents can collect via the front door at 4.30pm.