

Weekly Newsletter The Rivers Coff. Academy Trust



10.11.23 #9

Dear Cherry Orchard pupils, parents and carers,

Welcome back, I hope you have had a lovely half-term. The children have started back to school with lots of enthusiasm and energy for the new term.

Our Advocate team visited the school on Thursday. They spoke to groups of children about writing. The children proudly picked out their favourite pieces of work. They confidently spoke about the variety of opportunities they have for writing at school and at home. The Advocates also spent time reviewing the feedback from the recent parental survey - the comments were overwhelmingly positive – thank you.

Next week, we shall be thinking about Anti-Bullying week by wearing odd socks on Monday and marking Children in Need with wearing spots on Friday.

Have a lovely weekend, Karen Banford, Head Teacher

Calendar of Events

Date	Event	
Weds until 22nd Nov	4C swimming	
Mon 13th Nov	Odd Socks Day—to launch Anti-bullying week	
Thur 16th Nov	6R class assembly 8:55am in the hall	
Fri 17th Nov	CHILDREN IN NEED spotty day (non-uniform)	
Mon 27th Nov	KS2 Maths workshop for parents	
Tues 5th DEC	Y3 and 4 trip to the pantomime	
Wed 6th Dec	Parent forum meeting 8:45-10am in school	
Thur 7th DEC	6O class assembly 8:55am in the hall	
Mon 11th DEC	KS2 Cathedral Carol Service 1pm	
	See Christmas events page later on	
Wed 20th Dec	Y5 parents in for work share 2:30pm	
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Weekly attendance:

Whole school:

97.95% (a little up on last week)

Best year:

Year 2 with 99.34 %

Best class/classes: 30, 3R, 50 with 100% Also Well done to 2C, 2), 6C with

Housepoints:

Severn 220 254 Avon Teme 226

Overall winners: Avon KS 1 winners: Avon **KS2** winners: Teme

Coming soon.....

Monday 13th November is the launch of Anti-Bullying Week. Come to school wearing odd socks and we can all be odd together!

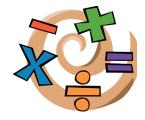


Friday 17th November is Children In Need day.

We want everyone to come to school in SPOTacular fashion! Spotty trousers or shirts, dresses or skirts. Or just spotty socks. Whatever you can find that's spotty to support this amazing charity. Please pay £1 (or whatever you can) via ParentPay if possible, or cash if not. Let's get spotty! You can also wear your Pudsey items, if you have any.



Coming soon.....



Maths workshop for parents of children in Years 3-6

Are you interested in finding out how your child learns maths 'these days'?

Would you like to know more about the calculation methods that we use now so that you can help with homework?

Could some hints and tips (and activities) help you to feel more confident in supporting your child at home with their maths?

Then please come along to our KS2 maths workshop from 8:45am on Monday 27th November.

The start time was decided based on the replies to the survey sent out by Mrs Whitehead (our maths lead), so we hope to see lots of people there. Mrs Whitehead will send out an invitation next week, so keep a look out for the link.



Parent Forum meeting for all parents/carers

Please come along to our first Parent Forum meeting for this year on Wednesday 6th December, from 8:45am.

We will meet in Our Space (what we have called the new area when you enter school) for coffee and tea from 8:45am, with the meeting from about 9am for about an hour.

This is an informal meeting, more of a coffee and chat where we can talk about general school-related items. During this meeting, we would like to share our new experiences trail, and explain all about the trips and events we are organising this year. Please come along if you can.

Advance warning...



Christmas dates for the diary

Event	Date	Time	Year groups involved
Pantomime. Jack and the Beanstalk at The Swan Theatre	5th Dec	am	Years 3 and 4
Cathedral Carol Service	11th Dec	1pm-2:30pm	All of KS2 (Y3-6) Parents invited
Christmas performances	12th Dec	9:30am	Reception
(parents and carers	13th Dec	9:30am	Reception
invited to all	14th Dec	9:30am	Year 1
performances)	15th Dec	9:30am	Year 1
	18th Dec	9:30am	Year 2
	19th Dec	9:30am	Year 2
	21st Dec	9:30am	Little Cherries
Christmas jumper day (to wear with uniform)	22nd Dec	All day	All children

NB Christmas parties will be held in year groups at a time that suits each group and parents and children will be informed of these closer to the time.

Thank you to those who have expressed an interest in joining COSA so that it can (fingers crossed) carry on with its good work for the school. It would be great to see a bigger turn out for the meeting on Monday evening. All are welcome.





Can you help?

Forest School

A big THANK YOU for all of the mud kitchen supplies that you sent in! Our next plea... Is there anyone out there who could help by supplying us with a number of logs for seating? The

children love having these to sit on and also use them for building, rolling and balancing!



If you can help at all, please get in touch with Mrs Clarke by phoning the school office or send an email to LaClarke@riverscofe.co.uk

> Do you have any old zips or buttons at home?





As part of their DT unit (creating fidget blankets for the residents at a local care home), Year 5 need to learn to attach buttons and zips to their items. Maybe you have some old/grown-out -of/not needed any more clothes at home tht have buttons or zips on that you would be willing to donate to us? Please bring to the office marked for

Year 5 if you can. Thank you.





Little Cherries have been learning about
Remembrance Day. They used potatoes and
paint to make the poppy for their wreath. It
looks beautiful hanging on the entrance to
Pre-School.













Reception have been learning all about Diwali this week - dancing, singing and making clay diyas.

We particularly enjoyed practising our fine motor skills by making Rangoli patterns with coloured rice.



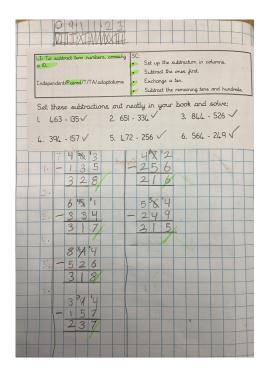




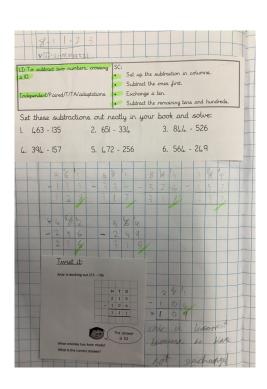
Year 1 had a 'tigerrific' start to their new English text this week by holding their very own tea party and inviting their favourite cuddly toy to join us. The children decorated their own plates and cups, before using them for their cakes, biscuits and juice. We all practised good manners, making sure we used please and thank you and only taking one cake each (unlike a certain tiger we have been reading about!) Ask your child how they showed good manners during our tea party.

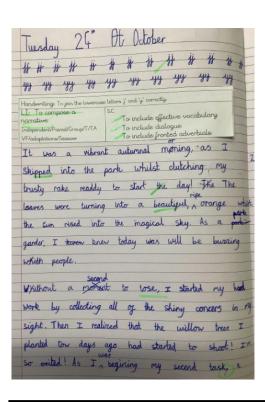
In R.E., Year 2 have been considering 'Who is a Muslim and how do they live?' We have been learning about Allah, the Prophet Mohammad and the importance of religious stories.



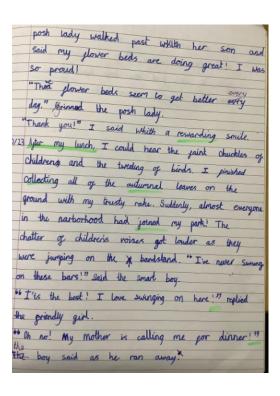


Year 3 have been practicing the skill of subtraction using a written decomposition method this week. It's a bit tricky at first, but they've got the hang of it now.





Year 4 have written a narrative from the perspective of a park keeper, as an extension to the book that they were reading.. They tried to show his mood through careful language choices and use of speech.



In Year 5, we have been exploring children's rights across the global as part of our new writing text.

We have created posters to emphasise the importance of a child's right to education, particularly girls. Ask your children what our new text is.

















This week, to record their learning linked to their history unit on World War 2, Year 6 produced fact files on The Blitz. They were allowed to showcase their learning in a way of their choosing.



Class	Worker of the Week	Star of the Week
RC	Finley	Yanko
RO	Austin	Laurie
RR	William	Wilson
1C	Finley	Polly
10	Rowan	Layla
1R	William	Xavier
2 C	Nora	Cayson
20	Harry	Esther
3C	Jackson	Amirah
30	Max	Ellie
3R	George	William
4C	Abel F	Lyra
40	Eva	Joseph
4R	Carys	Alex
5C	Maya	Dexter
50	Layla	Oliver
5R	Ella TM	Ayaan
6C	Darci	Sophie
60	Nell	Charlotte
6R	Zoya	Esme

Attendance

This is a screenshot of the Attendance guidance which is on our website, along with our Attendance Policy. Please help support your child's education by ensuring that they are in school, on time, every day. If your child is absent for any reason, please make the office aware of this as soon as possible, as the twice daily attendance registers are legal documents that must be accurately completed and shared with the LA. Attendance is a 'hot-topic' for the school, the MAT, the LA and the Government, as every child has the right to a full education.

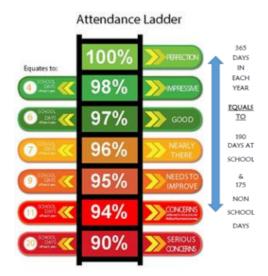
Cherry Orchard Primary School

Attendance Procedures

Attendance Matters:

At Cherry Orchard Primary School, we believe that good attendance is vital for all children to be confident, happy and independent learners. Good attendance is 97% or above – no more than 6 days off school in a year. Our aim is to give a clear and consistent message to parents/carers and children in our school, which we will constantly reinforce in our day-to-day work.

Good attendance is a priority at Cherry Orchard and our target is to achieve 97% or above by the end of this academic year. It is an expectation that all children attend school every day because 'Every minute of every day matters'.



What is expected of Parents and Carers at Cherry Orchard Primary School:

- Good attendance Parents/carers have a legal duty to ensure that their child/children are in school every day as it is vital for learning and promoting essential life skills
- Good punctuality Parents/carers have a responsibility to ensure that their child/children
 arrive on time each day in school (so lessons can start at 8:45asm) and are prepared for
 the day ahead
- Medical/Hospital/Dental Appointments Where possible, and unless in an emergency situation, appointments should be taken outside of school hours or in holiday periods.
 Appointment letters/notifications should be provided to the school office when notifying us of the absence.
- Absences due to illness Parents/carers have a duty to notify the school if their child/children are absent for any reason and this needs to be done as soon as possible and certainly before 9:15am. School will contact parents/carers if notification is not received by this time.
- Holidays Holidays are not permitted in school term time. All holidays are unauthorized except in exceptional circumstances.

Reminders/information

School gates open at 8:30am and will close when children should be in class at 8:45am. This is when lessons start and the register is taken. The gates will be open again at 3:05pm for a 3:10pm finish for Reception children and a 3:15pm finish for all other year groups. Please try to be prompt in the mornings so that all opportunities for learning are able to be taken and in the afternoons by standing away from the building, close to the areas where your child will be released.

Please try to discourage the bringing of toys/non-school items into school. They can go missing or get broken, meaning the children can get upset. Please keep them for home.

Please try NOT to drive down Timberdine Close in the mornings unless you have a parking permit for the school as there are not places to turn safely around. We have been asked to pass on that the NHS have had their entrances blocked and there have been some near misses with both children and vehicles, and, as a result, the community police officers will be doing some spot patrols.

Cherry Orchard Primary School and Little Cherries Pre-school

Our Facebook username is cherryorchardps, as is our Twitter username. Please search us out to see what is going on on our pages. We try to post to both types of media just to keep the world up-to-date with the amazing things going on in school.

<u>Autumn Term club information</u>

All notifications about club spaces have been sent out. Clubs start Monday 18th September.

Year group	Clubs	Day	Time
Reception	Choir	Tuesday	3:15-4pm
	Construction	Tuesday	lunchtime
1 Cosmic yoga		Monday	3:15-4pm
	Lego	Monday	3:15-4pm
	Choir	Tuesday	3:15-4pm
	Storybook	Thursday	3:15-4pm
2	Cosmic yoga	Monday	3:15-4pm
	Lego	Monday	3:15-4pm
	Art/collage	Monday	3:15-4pm
	Choir	Tuesday	3:15-4pm
	Maths	Tuesday	lunchtime
3	Multi-skills	Monday	3:15-4:15pm
	French/	Monday	3:15-4pm
	languages	Tuesday	3:15-4pm
	Choir	Tuesday	3:15-4pm
	Art club	Wednesday	lunchtime
	Homework		
4	Times tables	Monday	lunchtime
	Multi-skills	Monday	3:15-4:15pm
	French/	Monday	3:15-4pm
	languages	Tuesday	3:15-4pm
	Choir	Tuesday	3:15-4pm
	Art club		
5	Young Voices	Monday	3:15-4:30pm
	Lego	Tuesday	Lunchtime
	Girls' football	Tuesday	3:15-4:15pm
	Choir	Tuesday	3:15-4pm
	Art club	Tuesday	3:15-4pm
	Sewing	Thursday	3:15-4pm
6	Young Voices	Monday	3:15-4:30pm
	Netball	Monday	3:15-4:15pm
	Boys' football	Monday	3:15-4:15pm
	Girls' football	Tuesday	3:15-4:15pm
	Choir	Tuesday	3:15-4pm
	Art club	Tuesday	3:15-4pm
	Sewing	Thursday	3:15-4pm

There will also be an orchestra club on a Friday after school for those already learning an instrument. Separate information will be sent out about this soon, as it is in collaboration with Mrs Daws.



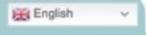




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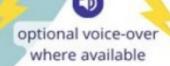
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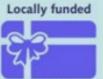




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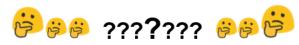




Community News

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QUIZ NIGHT



SAT 11 NOVEMBER 2023 7.00 FOR 7.30 START

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