



# Weekly Newsletter



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Dear Cherry Orchard pupils, parents and carers,

We have had an extremely busy week at Cherry Orchard with two visiting Head Teachers in our school on Monday and Tuesday, observing teaching and learning around school. They were incredibly complimentary about the teaching and learning taking place; our pupils were a huge credit to themselves. We also had a Safeguarding Audit from Worcester Children First, who were equally as complimentary about the school and the systems we have in place to support our children and families. Please be reminded that we are always happy to try and support our families with the challenges life can sometimes bring. Please reach out if you need a helping hand. Information is available on the school website (see later in the newsletter) or from the office team.

Another exciting event that took place this week was the unwrapping of the new iPads. Next week we launch 'Evergreen' - where all children from Y1-Y6 will have an iPad of their own to use in school. The iPads will also be coming home (in Years 3-6) for use in due course to support your child with their learning. Please save the date for our parents showcase taking place at 8:45am on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February**, to showcase the impact the new technology will have on teaching and learning.

And finally, please support our fantastic staff by considering nominating someone for the Worcestershire Education Awards 2024. It would be great to see some of our amazing Cherry Orchard staff in the shortlist. Further information can be found via this weblink, or by searching online through the Worcester News. <https://www.worcesternews.co.uk/worcestershireeducationawards/>

Have a great weekend,

Karen Banford, Head Teacher

## Calendar of Events

Date	Event
Wed 17th Jan	4O start swimming
Mon 29th Jan	Evergreen Launch Day COSA meeting 7:30pm at school
Thur 1st Feb	3R class assembly 8:55am in the hall
Tues 6th– Fri 9th Feb	Year 6 residential to Hollowford
Wed 7th Feb	Parent forum 8:55am in Our Space
Fri 9th Feb	<i>Wear what you love</i> non-uniform day
Mon 12th–Fri16th Feb	Half term holiday
Tues 20th Feb	Year 6 SATs meeting for parents 8:55am–10am
Wed 21st Feb	EVERGREEN Parent Showcase 8:45–9:30am
Fri 23rd Feb	Reception trip to Little Owl Farm

### Weekly attendance:

Whole school: 96.58%  
(up on last week)



Best year: Year R with 98.1%

Best class: 1R with 99.2%

**Well done.**



**Also well done to RO with attendance above 99%.**

We recognise the additional challenges which some of our families face. Our in-school certificates celebrate the full range of attendance.

### Housepoints:

Severn 344

Avon 332

Teme 238

**Overall winners: Severn**

**KS 1 winners: Severn**

**KS2 winners: Severn**

# This week at Cherry Orchard.....



Everything has been smiley at Cherry Orchard this week!



Our new gym equipment is useable!  
Thank you to our amazing models

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# This week at Cherry Orchard.....

the spotlight is on...



History



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# History

## at Cherry Orchard

History- To investigate and interpret how innovations have helped change and shape civilisations through time

At Cherry Orchard Primary School, we believe that high quality history lessons provide children with the passion and interest to discover and explore more about the past and how its legacy affects us today, and to think like historians.

Opportunities to bring history to life are given in EYFS and KS1, looking at important people with links to learning through play and concrete experiences such as meeting today's nurses and comparing them to Florence Nightingale.

In KS2, history is taught sequentially, with children exploring chronology through artefacts, visits and topics linked to present day issues. For example, what significance racism still has on the world today and the responsibility we have as global citizens to promote equality.

This knowledge, combined with an abundance of new, exciting and interactive physical resources, means the children can literally hold history in their hands.

Where possible, we enhance our learning with visits to places such as: Eastnor Castle, The Cathedral, The Tudor House Museum or invite visitors in, such as Samuel Pepys(!), really bringing history back to life.

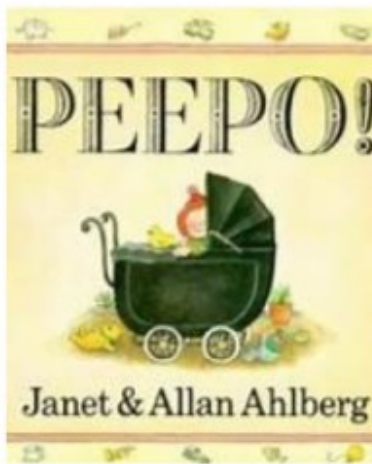
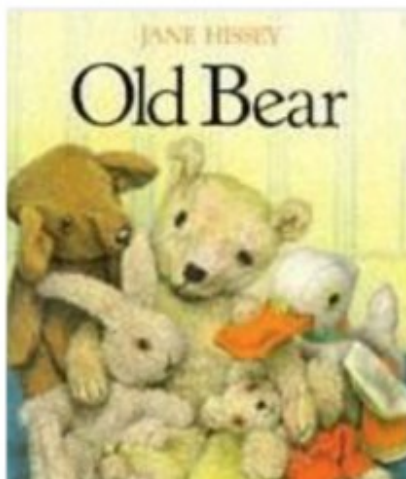
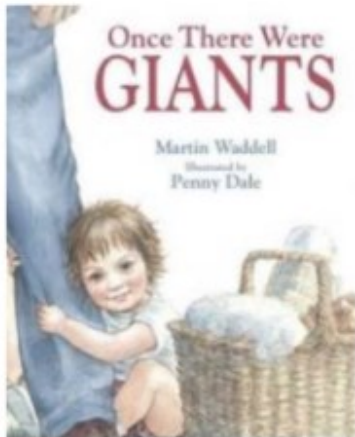


During this term, the pupils will be answering key questions related to topics such as: Florence Nightingale, Titanic, Ancient Egypt, Romans, Tudors and Black History.



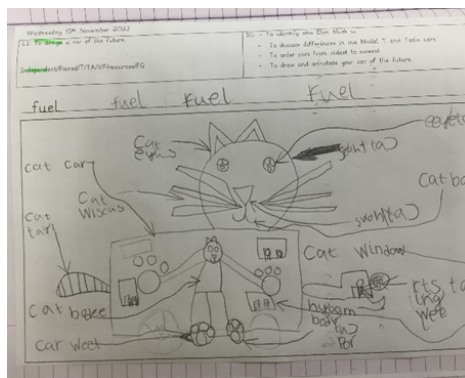
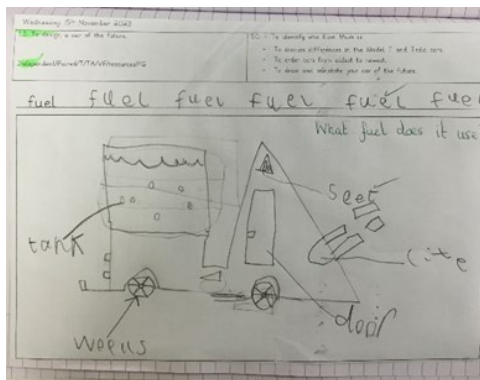
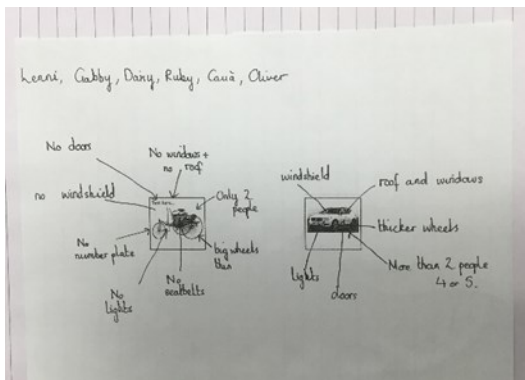
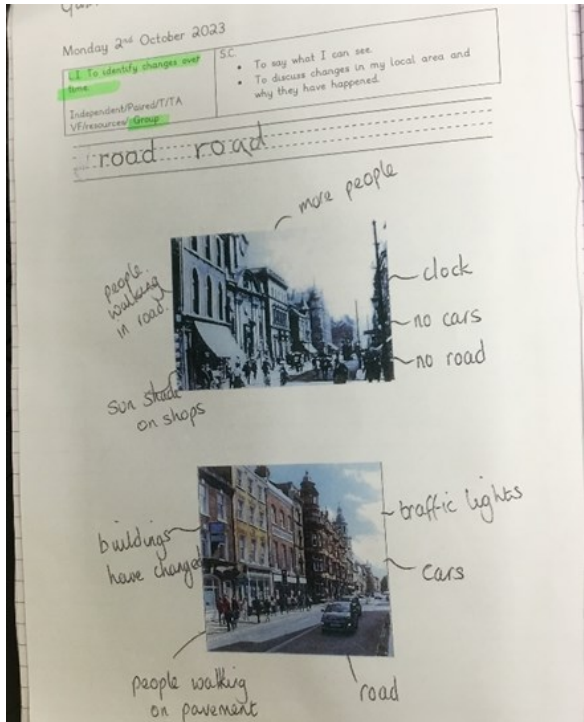
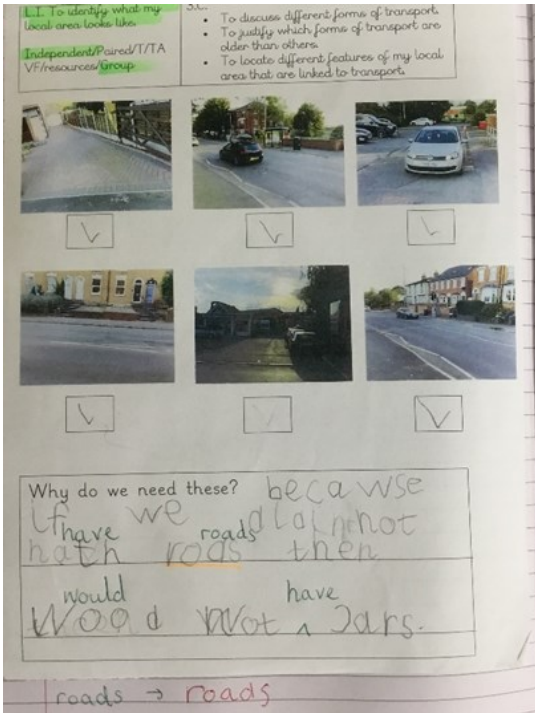
## Year R

In Reception, we use texts to help us to understand the differences between the past and present. We start with how we change as we grow up and then, later on in the year, we look at toys from the past and washing in the past.



Year 1

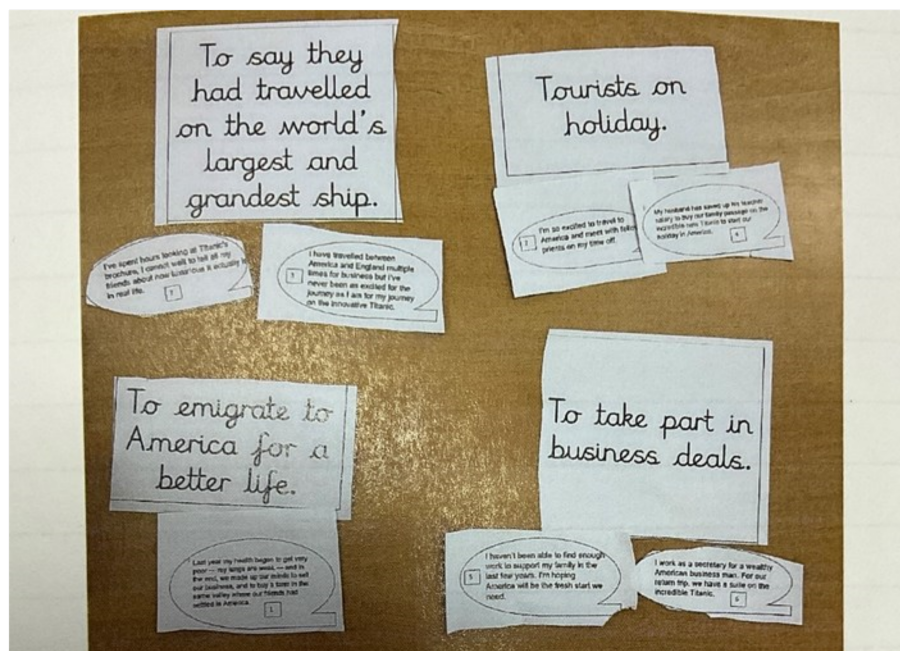
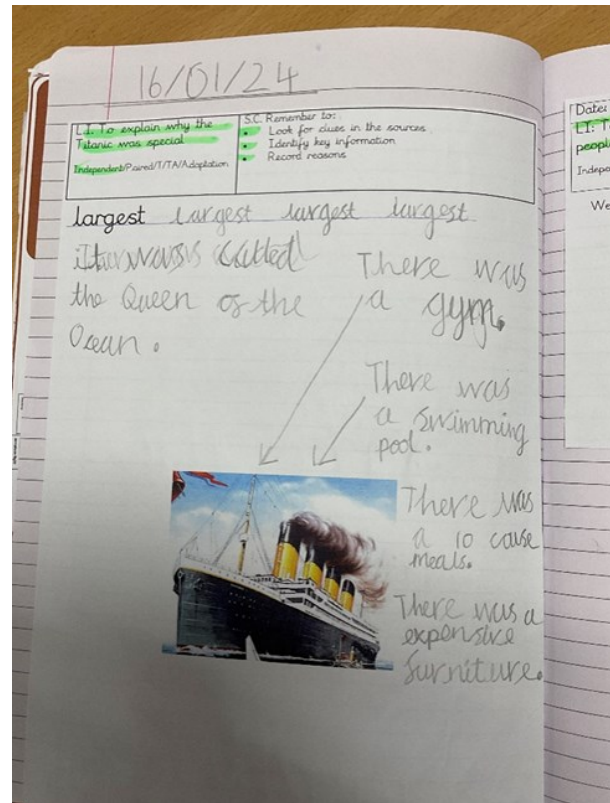
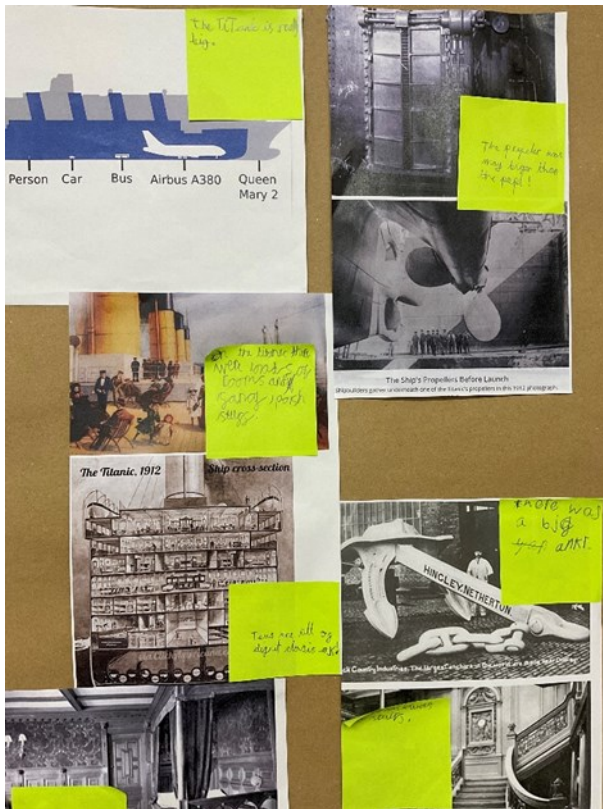
Our Year 1 Autumn history topic was all about transport. We walked around our local area looking for signs of transport. We saw roads, car parks, bus stops, traffic lights and driveways. When we looked at old photos of Worcester, we noticed that many of these features were missing. We also researched Henry Ford and found out about the construction line that he used to build his cars. We finished the topic by thinking about the future of transport and designing our own futuristic cars with particular thought to the type of fuel we might use and how this might help the environment.





## Year 2

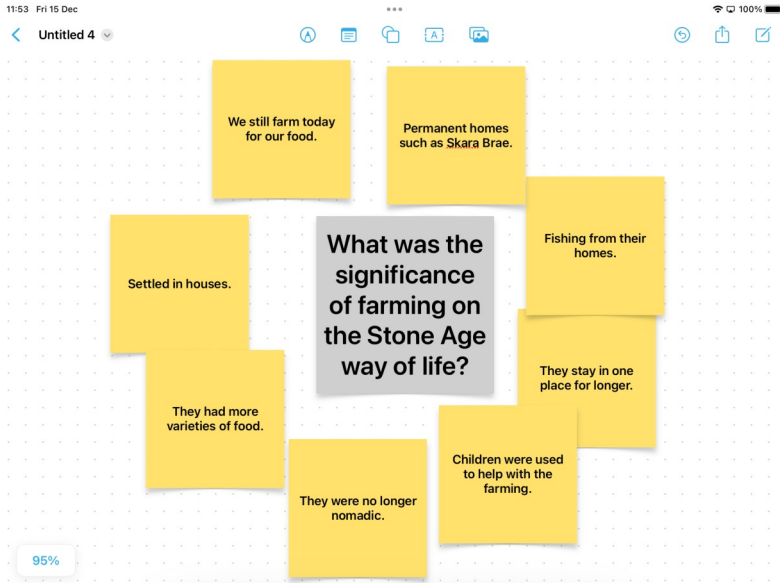
Year Two have been learning all about the Titanic this half term. They investigated a range of sources and were able to conclude why the Titanic was so special. They also explored the many reasons why people wanted to voyage on this incredible ship. Over the next few weeks, the children will be learning about the different passengers and how their experiences on the Titanic might have varied.





# Year 3

So far this year, we have learnt about the Stone Ages and the Ancient Egyptians.



Egyptologist Egyptologist Egyptologist

Howard Carter

He was born in 1874.

He was the son of a artist.

He travelled to Egypt when <sup>he</sup> was a teenager (17). He looked for artefacts and he had a feeling that he could sense something could be under the ground. In 1922 he discovered the steps to an ancient tomb.

\*What was inside the tomb? Inside the tomb was a king called Tuten car more.



monument monument monument

The pyramids were built about 5000 years ago and some of them are still standing. Some of the pyramids are in the west of the Nile, Egypt's river.

Insided of the burial tombs was important, precious and valuable. The very important pharaohs get buried in the pyramids. There are over 30 left, not very old and many are in a bad condition.

we believe they were pointing at the stars.

They got mummified so they would live in after-life.



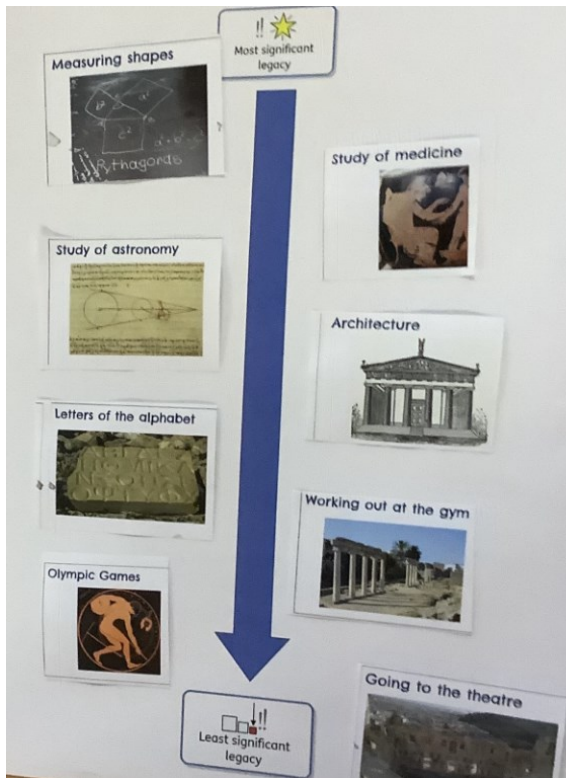
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# YEAR 4

Last term, Year 4 learned about the Ancient Greeks and their influence on the modern Western world. We sorted each legacy before sorting them into what we believed were the most influential.



Monday 2nd October 2023

LI: To compare the Ancient Olympic games to the modern western world.  
Independent/ Paired/ T/TA  
VF/resources

SC: Gather information about the Ancient Olympic games.  
Use this information and your own experience to say the similarities and differences.  
Say how innovations helped shape and develop Ancient Greece.

Ancient Olympics	Olympics now
776 BC - Ancient Olympics began in Greece - Just Greek men	1896 - Modern Olympics began in Athens A worldwide event where athletes from almost every country compete.
4 years	Olympic Games are held every four years.
Running, Boxing, Wrestling, Horse racing There was no winter Olympics	The Summer Olympics - swimming, gymnastics, and track and field. The Winter Olympics - skiing, snowboarding, and ice hockey.
A crown made from wreaths	Athletes compete to win gold, silver, and bronze medals.

Tuesday 2nd November 2023

LI: To consider the significance of some of the different Ancient Greek legacies on life today.  
Independent/ Paired/ T/TA  
VF/resources

SC: Give details of when the Ancient Greek Empire was.  
Describe some of the key legacies and how they influenced the modern world.  
Think about how these legacies are useful in your own life today.

Empire, Empire, Empire, Empire, Empire

The Ancient Greek Empire left behind many significant legacies that are still relevant today. These consist of democracy, the Olympics, alphabet and language, mathematics, science and medicine and theatre.

Democracy

People could not vote  
People voted about rules and laws.  
Women could not vote  
They voted using hands up.

Olympics

I was made in 776 BC.  
It was held every 4 years.  
Beginners didn't need to be naked but when they advanced they have to be naked.  
Women could not compete.

Theatre

There was tragedy and comedy.  
If the audience booed they would hit them with a stick.  
Greeks loved the theatre.  
It was everywhere in Greece.

The image displays three circular diagrams illustrating different urban planning models:

- Left:** A classical concentric city model, showing a central core surrounded by concentric rings of land use.
- Middle:** A modern radial-concentric model, showing a central core with land use organized in concentric rings and radial corridors.
- Right:** A contemporary organic model, showing a central core with land use organized in a more irregular, organic pattern.

**Wroclaw**

Wroclaw is a city in the south-west of Poland. It is one of the largest cities in Poland and is known for its rich history and culture. The city is located on the banks of the Oder River and is a major center of commerce and industry in the region.

Wroclaw is a city with a long and varied history. It was first mentioned in 1000 AD and has since been a major center of power and culture in the region. The city has been ruled by various powers, including the Holy Roman Empire, the Kingdom of Bohemia, and the Austrian Empire. It was a major center of the textile industry and was known for its fine lace and silk.

Wroclaw is a city of many contrasts. It is a city of old and new, of tradition and modernity. It is a city of many beautiful buildings and parks, and it is a city of many interesting museums and galleries. It is a city of many delicious foods and drinks, and it is a city of many wonderful people.

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Mathematics, science and learning were at the heart of the city of Baghdad, as was the 'House of Wisdom': the world's largest library. Children used historical sources to explore some of the legacies of the Islamic Empire including medicine, anatomy, agriculture and invention. Finally, we compared the city of Baghdad to the city of Winchester during the reign of Alfred the Great. This helped us to answer our driving question: *How did Early Islamic civilisations contrast to Britain?*



## Year 6

Year 6 have enjoyed examining sources to support them in their WW2 and Black History topics. This use of artefacts really helps children to 'see' history bringing their learning to life.



# CELEBRATION

Class	Worker of the Week	Star of the Week
<b>RC</b>	Cooper	Brant
<b>RO</b>	Aurora	Finley
<b>RR</b>	Hanna	Tommy
<b>1C</b>	Bella	Ruby
<b>1O</b>	Ereila	Ellissia
<b>1R</b>	Haydn	Annie
<b>2C</b>	Dennis	Emilia
<b>2O</b>	Lilly-Mae	Paige
<b>3C</b>	Felix	Joey
<b>3O</b>	Beau	All of 3O
<b>3R</b>	Charlie	David
<b>4C</b>	Daisy	Oliver
<b>4O</b>	Ayman	Isla
<b>4R</b>	Delilah	Sofia
<b>5C</b>	Lily	Betsy
<b>5O</b>	Mia	Tamara
<b>5R</b>	Lucy	Amelia
<b>6C</b>	Nicole	Ted
<b>6O</b>	Charlie	Srithik
<b>6R</b>	Jakub	Eshal





## 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.

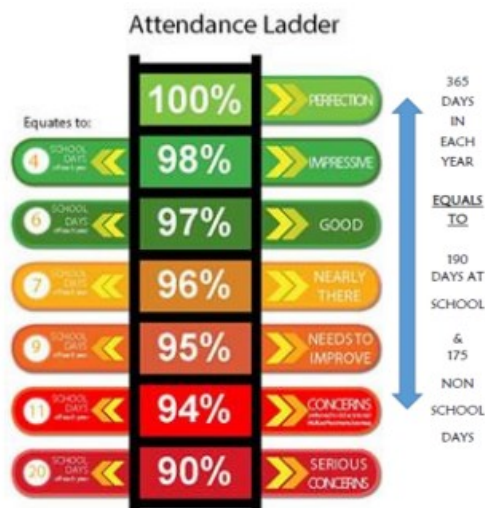
### Cherry Orchard Primary School

#### 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 8:45am) 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.

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### Spring term 2023-24 clubs

Year group	Clubs	Day	Time
Reception	Choir Games	Tuesday Monday	3:15-4:00 pm lunchtime
1	Computing Colouring and craft Lego Choir	Monday Monday  Monday Tuesday	3:15-4:00 pm 3:15-4:00 pm  3:15-4:00 pm 3:15-4:00 pm
2	Book club Colouring and craft Lego Choir	Monda Monday  Monday Tuesday	Lunchtime 3:15-4:00 pm  3:15-4:00 pm 3:15-4:00 pm
3	Scratch (coding club) Maths games and puzzles Choir Homework Art	Monday  Tuesday  Tuesday Wednesday Thursday	3:15- 4:00 pm  Lunchtime  3:15-4:00 pm Lunchtime 3:15-4:15 pm
4	Times tables Scratch (coding club) Running Maths games and puzzles Choir	Monday Monday  Monday Tuesday  Tuesday	Lunchtime 3:15- 4:00 pm  3:15-4:15 pm Lunchtime  3:15-4:00 pm
5	Running Science Indoor games Maths games and puzzles Choir	Monday Monday Monday Tuesday  Tuesday	3:15-4:15 pm 3:15-4:15 pm 3:15-4:00 pm Lunchtime  3:15-4:00 pm
6	Running Science Indoor games Choir	Monday Monday Monday Tuesday	3:15-4:15 pm 3:15-4:15 pm 3:15-4:00 pm 3:15-4:00 pm

Orchestra will continue to run on a Friday after school for those who are already members.


Photography club is an externally provided club on Tuesdays.

# Need some support? Some helpful places to go....

[The Wellbeing Hub - Schools - Teen Tips](#)


The Wellbeing Hub  
— from Teen Tips —





This week's content

**Activity: Technology and my brain for pupils aged 8-11**  
by Dr Crystal Collier, Therapist, Educator and Author of The NeuroWhereAbouts Guide



The following pages are screenshots of the help and support we can signpost our families to (used to be called our Early Help offer). The links won't work in this format but they can be accessed from our website page (called Supporting Families under the Parents tab at <https://www.cherryorchard-pri.worcs.sch.uk/> ) so please visit if you want to find out more.





Cherry Orchard Primary School and Little Cherries Pre-school



## Support for Children and Families

### Key Personnel and job roles

**Karen Banford** - Head Teacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead

**Caro Jeynes** - Deputy Head Teacher and Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

**Emma Rowe** - Assistant Head Teacher and Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

**Clare Spencer** - Assistant Head Teacher, SENDCo, Designated Teacher for Looked After Children and Deputy Safeguarding Lead

## Our Early Help Offer

Early Help is a pathway to supporting you and your child as they grow up when you or they may need further support or guidance.

Providing early help to our pupils and families at **Cherry Orchard Primary School and Little Cherries Pre-school** means we can improve outcomes for children, families, and communities, providing support as soon as a problem emerges, at any point in a child's life, from the early years through to teenage years.

### Early Help can support children and their families who may be struggling with:

- Routines and family rules
- Keeping to a healthy lifestyle
- Children who are caring for a family member
- Children who may not want to go to school for different reasons
- Disability within the family including children being a young carer
- Children in the family have special educational needs (SEND)
- Families who may be not be eating healthy food
- Children who may becoming involved in anti-social or criminal behaviour
- Children who go missing from home
- Children or parents / carers misusing drugs or alcohol
- Children at risk of being tricked, forced, or made to work in the criminal world
- Children who may need support because they may live in a home and see drug or alcohol abuse or adult mental health problems
- Children who have parents who argue a lot (and sometimes might hurt each other) whether the parents live together or apart
- Children at risk of being groomed to join groups which support illegal views
- A privately fostered child (a child from another family living within your family home)

Early help relies upon local groups and people in the community, sometimes we work together to help children, young people, and their families.

Everyone needs help at some time in their lives and therefore an ethos of early help is important for any school.

## Help and support at Cherry Orchard

The staff team at Cherry Orchard Primary School and Little Cherries Pre-school, will provide you with support and guidance - please ask one of the team if you need help with issues such as attendance, behaviour, routines at home, financial difficulties, bereavement and counselling etc

Staff are trained to seek further advice and guidance if they do not have the relevant information to hand. The senior leadership team have additional skills and training to help with more specialised situations or levels of support. **Please remember, we are all here to help – just ask!**

## Local Services – useful contact details

<b>Local Children's Centre</b> Saffron Children's Centre Stanley Road Primary School, Stanley Road, WR5 1BD	<b>What's on during the school holidays?</b> Holiday clubs at <b>Cherry Orchard Primary School</b> including provision at Little Cherries Pre-school  <b>Local Sports Centre:-</b> St John's Sports Centre, Swanpool Walk, WR24EL  <b>Worcester Wood Country Park, WR52LG</b> Country side park and café. Admission is free with parking open from 5:00am – 10:00pm.
<b>Perdiswell Young People's Leisure Club</b> Perdiswell Park, Droitwich Road, Worcester WR3 7SN 01905 451372 info@pyplc.co.uk	<b>Worcester Foodbank</b> 7 Lowesmoor Wharf, Lowesmoor, Worcester, WR1 2RS Email: info@worcester.foodbank.org.uk Phone: 01905 780400



<p><b>Early Help Family Support District Team – Worcester and Malvern</b></p> <p><a href="http://worcschildrenfirst.org.uk">Request for Early Help Services - Worcester (worcschildrenfirst.org.uk)</a></p> <p><b>Here2Help</b></p> <p>If you need help or advice call <b>Here2Help</b> on 01905 768053. The Here2Help opening hours are Monday to Thursday 9.00am to 5.00pm and Friday 9.00am to 4.30pm.</p>	<p><b>Worcester Library</b></p> <p>The Hive, The Butts, WR13PB</p>
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#### Early Help Family Support Service:

The Early Help Family Support Service is delivered by Worcestershire Children First directly to families permanently living in Worcestershire who have children aged 0-18 years old and need help and support specifically from a Family Support Worker. For more information, please visit: [Worcestershire Children First Early Help Family Support Service | Worcestershire County Council](#)

## Health (including mental health, emotional wellbeing, and sexual health)

The **Starting Well Partnership** offers a range of health services which support both children and families experiencing a range of health issues.

[Worcestershire Health Visiting Service | Starting Well \(startingwellworcs.nhs.uk\)](#)

If your child is under 5 years old and you need advice on issues such as feeding, behaviour, or toileting you can contact the **Telephone Advisory Service** on 0300 123 9551 (Monday – Friday 9am til 3pm). A Health Visitor will assist you over the phone with any worries, concerns, or questions you have.

[School Health Nursing | Starting Well \(startingwellworcs.nhs.uk\)](#)

**School health nurses** offer a range of services such as home visits, health needs assessments, time4u drop-in service, school aged hearing and national child measurement programme to support the needs of children and their families.

[Text service supporting young people | Starting Well \(startingwellworcs.nhs.uk\)](#)

**Chat health** is a free and confidential text service for young people in need of advice or support. To confidentially contact your school nurse, text: 07507331750

[Social Prescribing: Onside Advocacy, Worcestershire \(onside-advocacy.org.uk\)](#)

**Social Prescribers** support you to take control of your health and look after yourself by making connections with the different types of community support available.

[CAMHS | Herefordshire and Worcestershire Health and Care NHS Trust \(hacw.nhs.uk\)](https://www.hacw.nhs.uk)

**CAMHS** provides mental health help to children, young people and their families across Herefordshire and Worcestershire

[Home - Kooth](#)

**Kooth** is an online mental wellbeing community which offers free, safe, and anonymous support.

[Reach 4 Wellbeing | Herefordshire and Worcestershire Health and Care NHS Trust \(hacw.nhs.uk\)](#)

The **Reach4Wellbeing** team promotes positive wellbeing to reduce the stigma of mental health by providing short-term group programmes for children and young people age 5-18 experiencing mild to moderate anxiety and low mood.

[Papyrus UK Suicide Prevention | Prevention of Young Suicide \(papyrus-uk.org\)](https://www.papyrus-uk.org)

**Papyrus** can offer suicide prevent support providing free and confidential helplines, advice, webchats, and resources.

[Home | Healthy Minds \(whct.nhs.uk\)](https://www.whct.nhs.uk)

**Healthy Minds'** 24/7 mental health helpline provides support or advice if you, or someone you know, is experiencing a mental health crisis and needs urgent help. Its available 24 hours a day to anyone in Herefordshire and Worcestershire.

[Winston's Wish - giving hope to grieving children \(winstonswish.org\)](https://www.winstonswish.org)

**Winston's Wish** provide support for children and young people following the death of a sibling, parent, or a person important to a child.

[Sexual Health Know Your Stuff | Sexual health | Worcestershire County Council](#)

[Worcestershire Integrated Sexual Health Service \(WISH\) | Herefordshire and Worcestershire Health and Care NHS Trust \(hacw.nhs.uk\)](#)

WISH offer friendly and non-judgemental specialist services to support with information and advice, contraception, pregnancy, STIs and screening.

**Under 21 Saturday Service** - Clinic telephone lines are open between 10:00am – 12:30pm on Saturdays - Please call: 01905 681673 for further details.

Young People have a telephone consultation and are asked questions about their relationships. Callers will be advised what to do next and directed towards a clinic if necessary.

WISH have a dedicated Outreach nursing service. Referral forms can be found at [www.knowyourstuff.nhs.uk](https://www.knowyourstuff.nhs.uk). The Outreach team see young and vulnerable people who couldn't otherwise access sexual health services.

Free STI test kits and contraception: [SH:24 Free Home STI STD Test | Sexual & Reproductive Health \(sh24.org.uk\)](https://www.sh24.org.uk)

## **Bullying (including Cyberbullying)**

If you are concerned your child or a child, you know is being bullied there are several services and useful links which can help you support your child as a parent.

In the first instance if bullying is happening at school, please speak to a member of staff who will be able to help.



The following links will provide you with more information if you or someone you know is being bullied:

[Is your child or someone you know being bullied? | Worcestershire County Council](#)

[Are you being bullied? | Worcestershire County Council](#)

[Cyberbullying | Worcestershire County Council](#)

[Kidscape | Resources and Publications](#)

## Online Safety

If you have concerns around the safety of your child or a child you know online, the following links will provide you with information, support, and advice to help understand the risks and keep your child safe online:

- [Think U Know | Information for parents](#)
- [Online safety | Barnardo's \(barnardos.org.uk\)](#)
- [Educate Against Hate](#)
- [www.internetmatters.org](#)
- [BBC | 8 tips for staying safe online](#)

Sexting is the sending or receiving of sexually explicit images, videos or conversations online.

[Sexting and sending nudes | NSPCC](#)

[Think U Know | Parents Sexting Guide](#)

## Relationships

The following services and links offer information, advice, and intervention on healthy relationships for your family and children:

- [Healthy relationships | NSPCC](#)
- Challenges at home: [Harmony at Home – information and support for parent carers | Worcestershire County Council](#)
- CRUSH is an awareness raising and support programme to help young people make safe and healthy relationships. <http://www.westmerciawomensaid.org/crush/>
- [Relationships | The Family Hub | Worcestershire County Council](#)

## Friendships and relationship in teenagers

Making friends and starting new relationships are a big part of getting older. It's very common to fall out with friends or break up from relationships – which can be very difficult to deal with. You might also be in a relationship that doesn't feel right and need some advice about what to do. The websites below contain lots of information about making friends, peer pressure, healthy and unhealthy relationships, sex and much more. There is also information available for parents around how to talk to your child about friendships, sex and relationships.

[Childline - Friends, relationships and sex \(opens in a new window\)](#)

[Disrespect Nobody - Signs to spot \(opens in a new window\)](#)

[NHS Choices - How to talk to your child about sex \(opens in a new window\)](#)

[NHS Choices - Sex and young people \(opens in a new window\)](#)

## SEND (Special Educational Needs and/or Disabilities)

Our SENDCO at Cherry Orchard Primary School and Little Cherries, will be pleased to talk to you in confidence about the needs of your child/family – please contact them via the school office team. We offer telephone, email or face to face contact – we are happy to discuss any concerns however large or small they may be.

If you are looking for information or advice the following links will help you:

[SEND Information | Cherry Orchard Primary School \(cherryorchard-pri.worcs.sch.uk\)](#)

[SEND Local Offer | Worcestershire County Council](#) or contact [localoffer@worcschildrenfirst.org.uk](mailto:localoffer@worcschildrenfirst.org.uk)

SEND Information, Advice, Support Service [SENDIASS Worcestershire and Herefordshire \(hwsendiass.co.uk\)](#)

[Social care support for children with disabilities | Worcestershire County Council](#)



Parenting support



Health and wellbeing



SEND Local Offer



Housing and finances

**The Online Family Hub** has been developed to provide you with a range of different types of resources that are available to you online, on the phone or face to face that you can access directly.

The Family Hub can offer you support and information with the challenge's family life can bring.

[The Family Hub | Worcestershire County Council](#)



Relationships



Early Help Family Support



GET SAFE



Early Help Booklet

**Early Help in Worcestershire** have created a booklet to help families find out about the help and support available in the county for children and young people aged 0-18 years old. The new booklet will help you and families find the most appropriate support.

To download this booklet, please visit: [The Family Hub | Worcestershire County Council](#)



## Worcestershire Young Carers

Worcestershire Young Carers aim to identify, and support children and young people aged 7 to 24 years who have a caring role within the home and help look after a parent, sibling, or grandparent due to illness, disability, physical or mental health difficulties or substance misuse.

[Worcestershire Young Carers/Shropshire Young Carers | YSS](#)

[Carers | Worcestershire County Council](#)

## Finance, Housing and Employment

If you are facing challenges around employment and income, please contact the local job centre who can with offer support with jobseekers' allowance, incapacity benefit, employment and support allowance and income support:

**[Local] Job Centre Plus,**

**Worcester Job Centre Plus,** Haswell House, Sansome Street, Worcester, WR1 1UZ  
Telephone: 0845 6043719

Citizen's Advice Bureau [Worcester Citizens Advice Bureau and WHABAC \(Worcester Housing and Benefits Advice Centre\) \(citizensadviceworcester.org.uk\)](#)

Building Better Opportunities is a service to help local people move closer to employment. [Building Better Opportunities \(fusionworcs.co.uk\)](#)

For information on what financial and housing support is available in Worcestershire, please visit: [Housing and finances | The Family Hub | Worcestershire County Council](#)

## Parenting Support

The Starting Well Partnership offer a range of parenting support, information, groups, and courses. For information on the groups available please visit: [Parenting groups | Starting Well \(startingwellworcs.nhs.uk\)](#)

Parenting Talk is an online hub offering information, advice, and a free confidential online chat with a parenting advisor.

[Parent Talk - Support for Parents from Action For Children](#)

Homestart can work with you to provide one to one support in the family home each week. This service provides support tailored to your needs and can help you as parents they learn to cope and build confidence to provide as best you can for your children.

[Home-Start | South Worcestershire \(home-startsw.org.uk\)](#)

### Family Information Service

Do you need advice and support around finding childcare? The following link will provide you with the contact details of the Family Information Service's District Teams: [Family Information Service | Worcestershire County Council](#)

## Substance Misuse

[Swanswell - Cranstoun](#)

Here 4 Youth is support service for children and young people up to the age of 18 who may be struggling with their use of drug and / or alcohol. [Here4YOUth Worcestershire - Cranstoun](#)

## Do you have a family member in prison?

Do you have a family member in prison which is having an impact on your child? Support is available to work with both the person in prison and your family.

[NICCO](#)

Families First provides support and guidance in a safe space, to enable the whole family to cope with the demands of having a partner, and parent, in prison: [Families First | YSS](#)

## Get Safe

If you are worried your child is at risk of being tricked, forced, or made to work in the criminal world please speak to a member of staff and visit [Get Safe](#) for help and information.

***If you are experiencing any of these challenges or issues affecting family life, please contact a member of staff who will be happy to provide you further advice and support.***





Hot drinks &  
biscuits!

# GENERAL MEETING

Everyone is welcome! Come along to chat about fundraising events and how to get involved



Mon 29th January



7.30pm - 8.45pm



New atrium area at  
school



**Please RSVP via  
Classlist**

**Don't worry if you haven't been to a COSA  
meeting before. It's informal and you can  
just come along to listen.**

**Bring a reusable cup for a hot drink!**

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# **WEAR WHAT YOU LOVE**

**NON-UNIFORM DAY**

**Friday 9th February**

**Come to school in what you love to  
wear & help raise funds for COSA!**

**All children at Little Cherries &  
Cherry Orchard are invited to take  
part**

**Donations of £1 welcomed**



**COSA is a Registered Charity No. 1098165**





# Community News

## Diglis Fields junior parkrun

### What is Diglis Fields junior parkrun?

A free, fun, and friendly weekly 2k event for juniors (4 to 14 year olds). Nearby Saturday parkrun events can be found [here](#).

### When is it?

It is held every Sunday at 9:00am.

### Where is it?

The event takes place at Diglis Fields, Diglis Lane, Worcester, WR5 3FB. See [Course page](#) for more details.

### What does it cost to join in?

Nothing - it's free! but please [register](#) before you first come along. Only ever register with parkrun once and don't forget to bring a **scannable** copy of your barcode ([request a reminder](#)). If you forget it, [you won't get a time](#).

### How fast do I have to be?

The aim is to have fun. Please come along and join in whatever your pace!



### Thanks to this week's volunteers

Aelwen REES • Alison HIGGINS • Ariane MCGRAHAN  
Beatrice CHAMBERLAIN-FRENCH • Cara MCGRAHAN  
Carole RUDOLF • Charlotte CAPEL • Dave WHITTAKER  
Denise BESSANT • Dylan BELL BALDI • Georgia PLANT  
Gerry RUDOLF • Joyce MORRISON • Karen COOPER  
Lisa ROUSE • Liz JAEGER • Lucy CAPEL • Matthew CAPEL  
Nichola Clair ROBINSON • Nicola BROWN • Phil WOOD  
Richard ELWELL • Ross ROBINSON • Sarah FERNIHOUGH  
Sophie BELL • Steve NICOLL

See our [volunteer page](#) for information on how you can get involved.

[home](#) | [Diglis Fields junior parkrun](#) | [Diglis Fields junior parkrun](#)



**WE NEED YOU!**



# **WE ARE HIRING**

## **LUNCHTIME SUPERVISORS**

- MONDAY - FRIDAY
- TERM TIME ONLY
- 1.25 HOURS PER DAY
- PERMANENT CONTRACT

**JOIN OUR  
TEAM**



Pop into the school office or give us a ring on 01905 352787 for futher details and apply via the form on our website:

<https://www.cherryorchard-pri.worcs.sch.uk/current-vacancies/>

