



# Weekly Newsletter



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Dear Cherry Orchard pupils, parents and carers,

This week has been yet another busy one! On Monday, the children in Years 1 to 6 took delivery of their new iPads and cases. It has been a privilege to watch the children and staff working together to build their skills and confidence with the application of these devices. Apple Classroom enables adults and pupils to utilise the hugely powerful features of an iPad to support learning. I reminisced in assembly about the day in primary school when, as a child, I remember the BBC computer being delivered! I am hoping this week will remain in their memories for a long time, too.

Two of our school Advocates visited on Thursday and enjoyed a tour of the school led by the school council, and a discussion about the ways we embrace sustainability at the school and at home. The Advocates praised our pupils for being thoughtful, informative and confident – well done to the School Council team.

And finally, this afternoon I was delighted to attend the 'Rivers' STARS Awards', where Mrs Atkins, our Pre-school Lead, was a finalist in the 'Achievement' award. Cherry Orchard also had a number of other staff nominated in each of the five categories which was brilliant.

Next week, we are looking forward to the COSA non-uniform day on Friday as an end of half-term treat. £1:00 donations to COSA will be collected at the gate.

Please have a lovely weekend,

Karen Banford, Head Teacher

## Calendar of Events

Date	Event
Tues 6th– Fri 9th Feb	Year 6 residential to Hollowford
Tues 6th Feb	Safer Internet Day
Wed 7th Feb	Parent forum 8:55am in Our Space
Fri 9th Feb	<i>Wear what you love</i> non-uniform day
Mon 12th–Fri 16th 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
Thur 22nd Feb	World Book day costume sale 3:10pm
Fri 23rd Feb	Reception trip to Little Owl Farm
Thur 29th Feb	1R class assembly 8:55am in the hall
4th–8th March	Careers Week

### Weekly attendance:

Whole school: 96.7%  
(same as last week)

Best year: Year 1 with 97.81%

Best class: 4O with 99.35%

**Well done.**



**Also well done to RC 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 340

Avon 302

Teme 237

**Overall winners: Severn**

**KS 1 winners: Avon**

**KS2 winners: Severn**

# This week at Cherry Orchard.....

the spotlight is on...



Music



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# Music at Cherry Orchard

## Spotlight- Music

At Cherry Orchard, it is our aim for every child to develop a love of music and understand how it is created. We want children to delve into music's rich history and explore different cultures throughout their time at primary school. An integral part of every child's musical experience will be opportunity to perform their own compositions as a class, in a small group and solo.

Music lessons are composed of several key elements: listening, singing, playing, evaluating, analysing, improvising, and composing. Children are encouraged to be musically curious; wanting to find out more and delve deeper into musical genres they may not otherwise have been exposed to.



The key elements of music (pulse, tempo, pitch, rhythm, structure, timbre, texture, duration) are at the heart of every music lesson and children are encouraged to use the correct musical vocabulary to enable them to describe what they are listening to and make choices for their own compositions.

Musicality extends beyond the classroom with children from across KS2 taking part in orchestra club and the recent Years 5 and 6 trip to the Young Voices concert at the Resort's World Arena in Birmingham being a highlight of the school year.

Our mission is to foster a love of music and we certainly see that at Cherry Orchard!





## Year R



Reception have been learning about tempo and pitch in music this term and have looked at linking music and movement - we love a dance! We also enjoyed playing the African drums when learning about Africa and we used percussion instruments when we became Nursery Rhymes Rockstars in Forest School.

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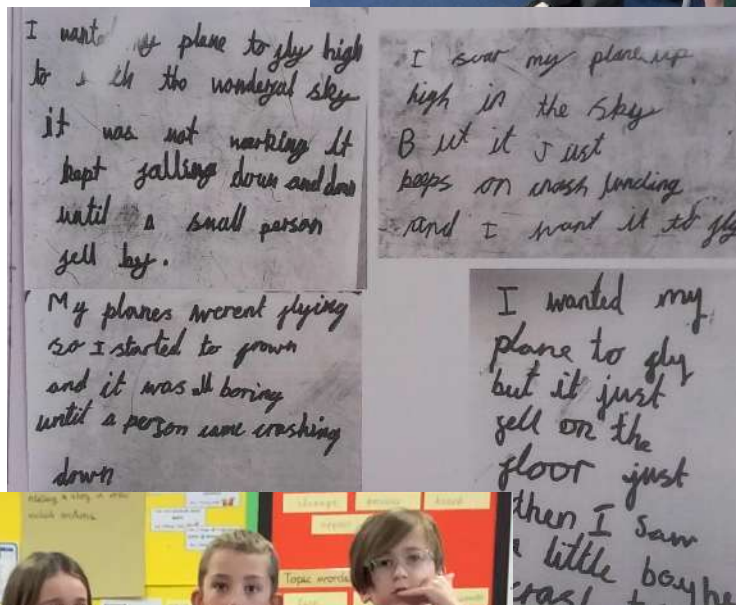
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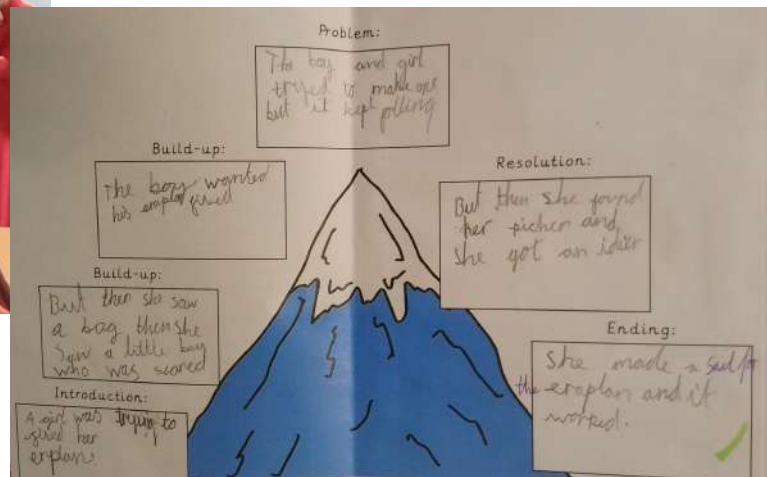
## Year 3

One of the highlights of music lessons in Year 3 is our cornet lessons with Mrs Daw.

Each class spends a term learning how to play the cornet with a chance of a performance at the end.



We have also focused on ballads this year. We learnt the ballad 'Space Oddity' by David Bowie, drew it as a story board, created a story mountain, performed it and wrote our own ballad!



## YEAR 4

06/12/19

**1. Compare baroque and romantic music by using musical vocabulary to describe and discuss.**

**S.C. Remember to:**

- compare and contrast pieces of music from different periods
- use musical vocabulary when contributing to class discussion, comparing male and female composers of both eras
- listen to two pieces of music and draw a picture showing a scene of nature or an emotion.

Independent/Partner/TITANV/resources

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Agree or challenge - an orchestra does not need a conductor.

Write a few sentences explaining your thoughts.

challenge playing, because they are good at

In the Autumn term, Year 4 compared Baroque and Romantic music. They explored composers from both eras.

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# YEAR 5



In Year 5, we have focused on a piece of music called 'A Short Ride in a Fast Machine' by John Adams. Creating a piece of art inspired by the music was a great starting point to explore themes around movement. We created notation from our artwork using short phrases and created a whole class piece to represent a journey, considering tempo, pitch and dynamics.

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SR Big Tune (Melody)

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50 Big Tune (Melody)

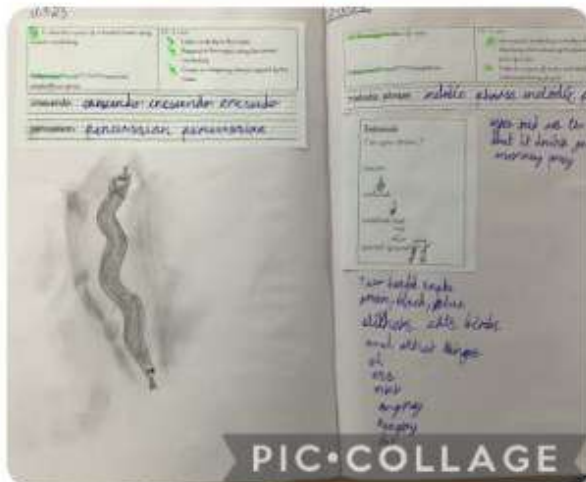
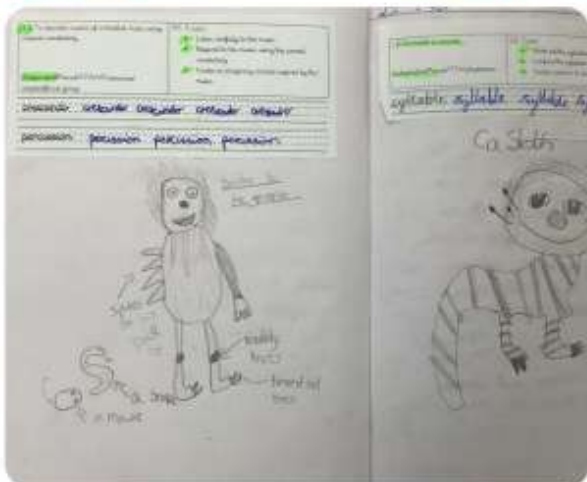
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In the second half term, we delved into a piece from Holst's Planets Suite: Mars. We explored the motifs present in the piece and were inspired to create our own motifs about the red planet mixing from Holst's compositions- Earth. In small groups, pupils developed their motifs using notes from the key of C major or A minor to reflect the mood of their motif ideas.

## Year 6

Year 6 enjoyed creating their own fantasy animals and creating sound-tracks to match them. Their work was based on Anthology of Fantastic Zoology by Mason Bates. The focus of the unit was to expose children to a range of classical music and to get them to talk about it in terms of the dimensions of music (pulse, rhythm, tempo, timbre etc).





# CELEBRATION

<b>Class</b>	<b>Worker of the Week</b>	<b>Star of the Week</b>
<b>RC</b>	Herbie	Oscar
<b>RO</b>	Layla	Josie
<b>RR</b>	Florence	Elodie
<b>1C</b>	Lenni	Aiden
<b>1O</b>	Aland	Jack
<b>1R</b>	Theo	George
<b>2C</b>	Olivia	Nora
<b>2O</b>	Abigail	Zander
<b>3C</b>	Herbie	Lily
<b>3O</b>	Rose	Max
<b>3R</b>	Rogan	Ibrahim
<b>4C</b>	Daniel	Alfie
<b>4O</b>	Sophie	Jorgie
<b>4R</b>	Barbora	Maya W
<b>5C</b>	Destiny	Emily
<b>5O</b>	Matthew	April
<b>5R</b>	Eden	Ella
<b>6C</b>	Erin	Ellis
<b>6O</b>	Esme	Leo
<b>6R</b>	Jack	Oscar





Perfect timing, with our new iPads in use across the school...

**Safer Internet Day is a great opportunity to focus on online safety with your child**, whatever their age. This year's theme is all about change and influence online.

Safer Internet Day 2024 is celebrated on 6th February 2024, with thousands of people across the UK working together to champion youth voice and engage in conversations about how we can all work together to make the internet a great and safe place.

### **Help and advice for you as a parent or carer**

Below, we look to answer some of the key questions you may have this Safer Internet Day with advice from the South West Grid for Learning.

### **About Safer Internet Day 2024**

Read more about the theme of the day here: [Safer Internet Day 2024 - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

### **Common questions:**

#### ***Things change so fast online, it's hard to keep up with what my child is doing.***

Staying up to date with what children are doing online can feel like a challenge sometimes. Here are a few simple steps you can take to help bridge the gap.

[Things change so fast online, it's hard to keep up with what my child is doing - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

#### ***My child keeps asking to play a game, or download an app that I don't know about, what can I do?***

The easiest way to address this is to research the game or app before you download it, to see what it is and what it offers. E.g. in-app purchases or connection with others, etc.

[My child keeps asking to play a game, or download an app that I don't know about, what can I do? - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

#### ***My child is asking for a new device and I'm not sure they're ready for one.***

It's important to think carefully before getting any kind of device for your child. Not only can it be an expensive decision, it's also necessary to consider the '5 W's'.

[My child is asking for a new device and I'm not sure they're ready for one - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

#### ***I'm not sure if the content my child is watching is a good influence on them, what can I do?***

Children can be influenced by the content they watch as soon as they're old enough to go online.

[I'm not sure if the content my child is watching is a good influence on them, what can I do? - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)



***My child is keen to share content and make a change online. How can I help them achieve this safely?***

Lots of young people are turning to the internet to talk about issues they're passionate about, to help raise awareness, and promote social change.

[My child is keen to share content and make a change online. How can I help them achieve this safely? - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

**How to make a report online.**

Information to help you, if you need to make a report on an app, game, or website.

[How to make a report online - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)

**Find out more about specific issues.**

If you would like more information about specific online safety issues, there are a range of places that you can go.

[Find out more about specific issues - UK Safer Internet Centre](#)



**Wednesday 7th February**

**8:50-10am in Our Space**

**Please come along and have a chat about school matters over a cup of coffee/tea (and maybe even a biscuit!). We value your voice.**

**Our focus/foci this time:**

- . Routes of communication**
- . Our new website—please help us to test it!**





# **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**

**£1 cash donations welcomed (on the  
school gate)**



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





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**World Book Day 2024**  
**Thursday 7th March**  
**Theme: Careers!**



# World Book Day



## Costume Sale

Please come along and check out our variety of pre-loved costumes, accessories and books and help raise money for our school!

Did you know that World Book Day falls during National Careers Week this year? With that in mind, come to school dressed as your aspiring career path in book form!



**When?**  
**Thurs 22nd Feb**  
**3.15pm-3.45pm**

**Where?**  
**School playground**  
**(Near the library)**

**How much?**  
**All items**  
**50p-£3.00**  
**(Cash only please!)**

**Do you need costume donations?**

**Yes please!**  
**Please drop your pre-loved costumes, accessories and books at the school office by Monday 19th February**





## 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.

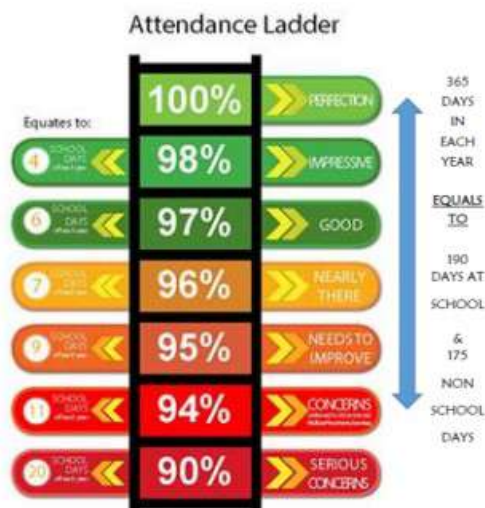
### Cherry Orchard Primary School

#### 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.

**Cherry Orchard Primary School - Timberdine Close, Worcester, WR5 2DD**

**office-co@riverscofe.co.uk Telephone 01905 352787**

### 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: <a href="mailto:info@worcester.foodbank.org.uk">info@worcester.foodbank.org.uk</a> Phone: 01905 780400



<p><b>Early Help Family Support District Team – Worcester and Malvern</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.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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<p><b>Early Help Family Support Service:</b></p> <p>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: <a href="#">Worcestershire Children First Early Help Family Support Service   Worcestershire County Council</a></p>
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## 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 \(hacw.nhs.uk\)](#)

**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 \(papyrus-uk.org\)](#)

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

[Home | Healthy Minds \(whct.nhs.uk\)](#)

**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 \(winstonswish.org\)](#)

**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](http://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 \(sh24.org.uk\)](#)

## **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 [\(hwsendiass.co.uk\)](http://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.***





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# HELLO SPRING

**Put a Spring in your step with our Spring coffee morning at  
Cherry Orchard Primary School!**

**Friday 1st March  
9am-10.15am  
School Library**

Join us for a morning of refreshments, snacks and a  
chance to catch up with other parents and carers.

Little siblings are more than welcome to join and  
there will be books and activities for them to enjoy!



# 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 • Arlene MCCRAHAN  
Beatrice CHAMBERLAIN-FRENCH • Cara MCCRAHAN  
Carole RUDOLF • Charlotte CAPEL • Dave WHITTAKER  
Denise BESSANT • Dylan BELL BALDI • Georgina 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](#)



## Rainbows volunteers required

Rainbows welcomes all girls from 4-7 years old for play, learning and lots of fun in a colourful, safe space.

We are currently looking for two committed volunteers to run the existing 8<sup>th</sup> Worcester Unit from September 2024.

The unit meets at St Marks Church Hall every Tuesday (during term time) from 4.45pm - 6pm.

If you would like to put yourself forward or find out more details about what the role involves please contact the current leader, Melanie Benson-Stelling on 07825 279418.

Please note that all volunteers within the Girl Guiding programme are subject to a DBS check, mandatory training in First Aid and Safe Space are also required (provided and funded by Girl Guiding).





**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/>

