



CHERRY CLASS

Happiness, Progress, Success!



Collaboration Creativity Independence Resilience Reflection

The team—Miss Chapman, Mrs Reid and Mrs Worsell

Miss Chapman will continue to teach Cherry Class Monday and Tuesday and Mrs Reid will teach on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Mrs Worsell will support Cherry Class throughout the week.

Thank you We had a very busy Autumn Term and are very grateful for all the support you gave us with costumes, topics and learning words for the Nativity. The children really engaged with their topic learning last term and the additional support you were able to give them at home really helped to deepen their understanding so thank you.

Home Learning Lots of children worked really hard at their Home Learning last term. They produced beautiful, well thought out work. Thank you so much to those of you who supported your children in completing every piece of homework, it is really appreciated. We look forward to seeing even more of your children's lovely work this term. Home Learning club will still be available if you want to use the classroom environment to support your child.

Reading Books will be sent home again on a daily basis and we will continue to monitor how often the children are reading. Please continue to question your child about what they have read to challenge their comprehension, using the question stems sent out to support you last term. Also, please remember to sign the reading record books to ensure the children are able to move up the reading records weekly and receive their prize at the end of the term.

Other items Please continue to ensure your child has a fresh water bottle, a named coat and a full, named PE kit in school every day. All children must be dressed in full, named school uniform, with appropriate school shoes. Please do not choose shoes with laces if your child is unable to tie them independently.

Trip We have our trip booked to Leeds Castle in March (term 4) which will include a Swan Princess Workshop as well as providing an opportunity to observe the features of a castle. This will link well to our topics for the next two terms and will help to enrich the children's learning. Please make sure that you give permission and payment by Monday 11th February or the trip will be at risk of cancellation due to lack of funds.



Explore, Discover, Create

This term, our Topic is titled 'Once Upon a Time'. This is a literacy focused topic which will include looking at a range of traditional tales with a twist!

English Within English lessons, the children will be retelling familiar tales and then adapting them with their own alternative endings. We will also be focusing on developing the skill of reading aloud and will be using drama and role play to portray events from the stories they are reading. We will be looking at the use of emotive language and will be using it to write diary entries. We will also be looking at descriptive poetry and will be learning to recite and perform poetry. At home, please take this opportunity to revisit favourite traditional tales if you are reading to your child. If you have any favourite fairy tale books that you would be happy for the children to bring in for the book corner, we would very much appreciate them. Also, if you would like to come and read your favourite Fairytale to the class, we would love to welcome you.

Mathematics This term we will be continuing with multiplication and will also be introducing division. We will then be looking at fractions which will include learning how to find and write simple fractions and also understanding the equivalence of simple fractions such as $1/2 = 2/4$.

Science Our topic this term in Science is 'Living Things & Their Habitats'. We will be learning about animals and will also be studying how living things are suited to different habitats and looking at food chains.

Computing This term the children will be using the Internet to research various animals and collect information about different habitats. We will continue to learn about Internet Safety.

Art and Design Technology The children will be designing, making and evaluating a wind-up toy. This will involve a variety of different skills including using a range of tools and materials to complete the task.

PE We will be further developing our technique and skills in gymnastics and dance next term with Pure Sports and Mrs Reid.

RE In RE the children will be focusing on the faith of Islam. They will be thinking about who is a Muslim and what do they believe and also what it means to belong to a faith community.

Music Children will be learning to make and combine sounds musically by composing their own 'Into the Forest' soundtrack using a combination of voice and percussion instruments which they will then perform to an audience. We will also continue our music work with Miss Hooper.

PSHE This term we will continue to use our Dreams and Goals Jigsaw programme during our in class Assemblies.

SPECIAL DAYS! This term we have some very exciting activities for the children in addition to their daily curriculum. We have Science week, which includes an outdoor learning day and safer internet day.

