



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.

Home Learning Home Learning will be given out every Friday and collected the following Wednesday. Thank you to the children that consistently complete their home learning, this is having such a great impact on your learning and progress! We hope that every child will complete each piece of homework this term and receive a special prize for their efforts!



Reading At the start of term, we will complete another 1:1 reading assessment with all children in Cherry Class. I'm sure that lots of children will have progressed through the reading bands once again! Reading must be completed every evening to ensure that each and every child is making the progress that they are fully capable of. Please develop your child's comprehension skills by questioning them about what they have read, how they think characters may feel and the meanings of new and tricky vocabulary. If you want to support your child with reading comprehension, there are many books available in WH Smiths and Amazon and there are also resources available online.

Spelling Please continue to support your child with learning their spellings in fun and creative ways. It is not just about learning the words, but about using them in sentences too. Please dictate sentences to your child to write down. This will help them with selecting the correct homophone too. E.g. see and sea.

Other items Please 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 school uniform, with appropriate school shoes. Please make sure all items are named clearly, especially jumpers, as so much uniform gets left in the class and forgotten about!

Leeds Castle One very exciting thing that is happening this term is that Cherry Class will be visiting Leeds Castle. The castle is close to Maidstone and it is over 900 years old! The castle has been a Norman stronghold, a palace used by Henry VIII and his first wife, a Jacobean country house, a Georgian mansion and is now one of the most visited historic buildings in Britain. The children will get a chance to look at the features of the castle and also dress up and take part in a medieval story.



Explore, Discover, Create

This term, our Topic is titled 'The Land that Time Forgot' and Cherry Class will be focusing on Castles and famous Queens from the past.

English This term the children will be taking part in Brilliant Book Week! They will be engaged in lots of exciting reading opportunities and they will be writing creatively. We will then be focusing on non-fiction writing related to our topic. This will include labelling and explaining the features of castles, researching and writing factual information about British monarchs. We will also be looking at stories set in castles.

Mathematics This term we will be focusing on shape, space and measure. The children will develop their understanding of 2d and 3d shapes and their properties, reading different scales and telling the time to the nearest five minute interval.

Science In Science we will be revisiting our topic of 'Living Things and their Habitats.' We will be recapping what we learnt earlier in the year and developing our understanding of how animals adapt to their environment.

Computing This term Cherry Class will be learning how to open a file, create a document and also save their work. This will be linked to our Leeds Castle visit.

History We will be focusing on the lives of Queen Elizabeth the I and Queen Elizabeth the II and looking at the similarities and differences between them and their rule. We will also be looking at the history of the first castles, built by the Normans after their success at the Battle of Hastings.

Art and Design Technology This term we will be drawing portraits. We will start with self portraits and then look at the work of Andy Warhol to adapt with colour. Following this, the children will be creating a textured portrait of Queen Elizabeth I.

PE We will be focusing on developing the skills to play net and wall games, table tennis and volleyball with Pure Sports. With Mrs Reid, the children will be learning tennis and volleyball skills. We will also explore some more yoga and relaxation techniques.

RE We will be learning about the Easter Story and the events that Christians believe happened during the build up to Jesus' resurrection.

Music This term in Music we will continue to work with Miss Hooper singing and also learning to appreciate different styles of music.

PSHE We will be following the Jigsaw scheme and exploring 'Healthy Me', where the children will explore the subjects of health, balanced diet and medicine. We will also be continuing with our Zones of Regulations programme.

