

End of year preschool newsletter - 17 July 2023



Time for School

Please click on the links below for information about preparing your child for starting school and lots more useful information!



<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/shows/time-for-school>

<https://www.pacey.org.uk/working-in-childcare/spotlight-on/being-school-ready/#readyforschool>

Calling all existing Cherry Blossoms! We have some homework for you! We will give you a Marvellous Me document to fill in over the holidays! As you have grown so much over the year we need to update your information! Please see a member of the team for further details!

Useful tips!

Name all items of clothing even clothes that are worn on non-school uniform days.

Support your child to get dressed by themselves including putting on their shoes.

Things to know

Please could you bring a carrier bag or equivalent into school - clearly labelled with your child's name. This will help us collect together all your child's special things ready for the last week of term.

We will start handing out the children's belongings during the last week of term week commencing 17th July. We will leave the sun screen bottles out daily for you to collect when you want to but all must be collected by 21 July 2023.

Thank you!

**Rescheduled sports day - Wednesday
19 July 2023 2pm (weather permitting)**

Last day of term - 21 July 2023

Highlights from this year!

What an amazing year we have had in Cherries and Cherry Blossoms! We have painted, glued and created masterpieces. We have played musical instruments and sung lots of nursery rhymes and songs! We really liked the jellyfish song!

Messy play has been fun, we like making lots of muddy potions, drinks and soup in the mud kitchen. We enjoy serving these up for others to "consume"! We have explored cornflour and water as well as modelling with playdough. We have baked bread and biscuits and we have grown a wonderful crop of potatoes.

We have grown taller and stronger. We can push tyres around our playground safely. We learnt to listen carefully during our PE lessons. We can put our shoes and coats on and we really like putting our work on the "wonder table"!

We enjoyed a mischievous visit from an elf at Christmas time - although Miss Coe had to persuade Mrs Chan that the elf should visit for two weeks and not one!

We can share our resources with our wonderful friends. We do love to play duck duck goose! We have written many shopping lists and prescriptions for our friends. Our adults helped us to make "good choices" and should we make a mistake we just need to find a way to fix the problem. It will be okay.

We count every day and listen for sounds in words. We certainly enjoy trying to find words that rhyme and found quite a few that didn't! We listened to many different stories and answered lots of questions. We also asked quite a few as well! We enjoyed learning from our new Primary Knowledge Curriculum.

We learnt that Mrs Chan really likes lids to go back on felt tip pens and how to tidy up! So much so we have our very own tidy up music to remind us how to do it!

The team and I all feel that it has been an absolute privilege to be part of your child's learning journey here at Cotton End Forest School. To those who are moving on we wish you every success!

To those lucky Cherry Blossoms, we are looking forward to welcoming you back to our classroom in September as Cherries week commencing the 4th September 2023. All the new children (Cherries and Cherry Blossoms) will be starting week commencing the 11th September 2023.

Have a super summer break!

Mrs Chan, Miss Coe, Miss Herbert, Ms Harradine, Mrs Boxall, Mrs Zobian and Mrs Barfoot

