



### Highlights from this year!

**Cherry Class have had an amazing year!** We have painted, glued and created masterpieces. We have played musical instruments and sung lots of nursery rhymes and songs! We really liked our Herman the Worm and the Jellyfish song!

Messy play has been fun, we made lots of muddy potions, drinks and soup in our mud kitchen. We enjoyed serving these to our friends to "consume"! We have explored cornflour and water as well as modelling with playdough. We have enjoyed making tasty treats and we have grown a wonderful crop of potatoes.

We have grown taller and stronger. We can push tyres around our playground safely. We have learnt to listen carefully during our PE lessons. We can put our shoes and coats on and we love showing our adults all our wonderful drawings and models!

We enjoyed a mischievous visit from an elf on the shelf at Christmas time - and we even had a visit from Father Christmas. We received lots of messages from our special message dinosaur and we had to babysit a mysterious large egg which arrived in our classroom! We learnt to be gentle with it and whisper kind words and took it to the main entrance for "Rita" to collect it! Thankfully we didn't meet her, as she is an Allosaurus!

We can share our resources with our wonderful friends. We have written many shopping lists and prescriptions. 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 certainly asked quite a few questions too!

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!

Thank you to the grown-ups who volunteered to help us with our learning. We really appreciated your help and expertise.

**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 younger children who will be returning to Cherry class in September, the team are looking forward to welcoming you back to the classroom from Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025 with your new sessions. All the new children will be starting week commencing the 8<sup>th</sup> September 2025.

**Have a super summer break!**

**Mrs Chan, Mrs Durrani, Ms Badley, Mrs Croxford and Mrs Nizal.**

For children staying in Cherry Class next year!

Please remember to bring your forest school kit back into school in September. **All welly boots and waterproofs must be clearly named.** Your child's items need to be placed in a drawstring bag. Please write your child's name on the outside of the bag. This helps the staff to locate your child's belongings easily.

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>

Finally...

On Friday we will be saying a fond farewell to Mrs Croxford who will be starting a new adventure. We wish her all the best. In September, we will be welcoming new staff to the Nursery team.