

# Newsletter Spring 2 2024

**Upcoming Diversity Events:** 

- Eid
- World Heritage Day
  - St George's Day
    - VE Day
- Gender awareness LGBQTI
  - Independence Week

Your child's class teacher will provide further information on diversity events through weekly phone calls..

Our website: www.cherrytreeschool.org.uk

Our private facebook group:



Cherry Tree School, Walsall As we come to the end of the Spring term, I would like to say a big thank you for your continued support of Cherry Tree School. It has been wonderful to read your views in the recent parent survey. Your views are important to us. You asked for more photos and I hope the increase in Facebook posts is well received.

We have had a busy term and all pupils and staff have worked really hard. World Book day was a popular event and we appreciate the efforts made in costumes and sharing the love of reading. National Careers Week was greatly received with each child challenged to consider what they might do in the future. There were activities linked to a range of careers in school, along-side careers fair and trips to places of work. As part of British Science Week each class completed a new experiment and worked towards a common scientific goal.

Our school community continues to grow. This half term we have welcomed Kelly Knox, our new Deputy Head of School. We have also expanded to our fifth class, Class Tuva.

My door is always open to parents / carers and I welcome an open dialogue so please feel free to contact me on 01922 662460 should you wish to discuss anything.





## Class Caspian

Caspian have had a busy and very enjoyable term. Our topic has been Spring and Easter. The children have enjoyed many activities linked to the topic, such as a walk in the park looking for signs of Spring and a visit to a farm to see the baby animals. As part of careers week, the children participated in role play activities. Their favourites were the flower shop and the car wash.

World Book Day was a lot of fun and Caspian enjoyed the 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' tuff tray activity and also reading the story. The children have been involved in Science Week and were fascinated by the experiment which involved a bottle of cola, some mints and lots and lots of bubbles!









# Class Morgan





Students in Class Morgan have enjoyed another busy half term at Cherry Tree School. We have explored our topic "Spring and Easter". We had a trip to the Farm, where students enjoyed feeding the animals. We have also explored National Careers Week, where the students participated in various role play activities including being a farmer, a fruit and veg shop keeper, a painter, working in a flower shop and a car wash.

World Book Day was a huge success in Morgan too. We had Little Red Riding Hood, Belle, Spiderman, Hey Duggee and a Police Man, as well as staff dressing up at a Dalmatian, Little Red Riding Hood and Alice in Wonderland. The students spent the day flying kites as a part of Cherry Tree 50 and reading stories with staff and peers.







## Class Henson





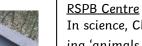
#### Oceans and Seas

This spring term, Class Henson explored the five oceans and seven contents in topic. As a class we sang songs and made bubble art, pretending we lived under the sea. Class Henson explored the aquarium at the Holy Bush garden center learning where aquatic life live and their habitats.

## Celebrating Number Day

Class Henson celebrated Number Day, by taking part in a poster competition. Each class was tasked with creating their own Number Day poster. As a class we decided on a number monster theme and made shapes without bodies to replicate numbers. We had so much fun.





In science, Class Henson are exploring 'animals including humans' so we went to the RSPB Centre to investigate bug hotels and the different animal habitats. We had a fantastic day and finished the day at the park.





Class Henson has had a brilliant spring term, world book day was so much fun and we can't wait for summer term, to go on plenty more adventures while learning and having fun.



## Class Tuva





#### Rivers, mountains and Coasts.

This spring term, class Tuva explored rivers, mountains and coasts. We explored the five oceans and seven contents in topic. As a class we made our own rivers in the science room, we had so much fun doing this. We also made our own mountains for the display board. We used our new 'describing words' when talking about rivers, mountains and coasts.

#### Careers week

For careers week class Tuva explored farmers. We decided for our mini enterprise we would plant seeds and sell them. Class Tuva chose the seeds from Amazon, we were so pleased when they arrived. We are looking forward to planting our seeds.











### Horse Riding

Class Tuva have really enjoyed horse riding this half term. We have enjoyed grooming the horses and riding them around the paddock and the local area.



## Class Blazer

In science this term KS2 have explored states of matter. Students identified solids, liquids and gases, described their properties, looked at their structure and then devised definitions for each. Pupils performed an experiment to determine if gasses had mass. They predicted what would happen, performed the experiment by following the method and then recorded the results and described why those results happened.

In maths KS3 have been working on decimals, fractions and percentages. They explored how to add and subtract fractions, identified equivalent fractions and simplified fractions to their simplest form. Students then investigated what percentages are and solved percentage questions. Finally students were able to convert decimals into fractions and percentages and visa versa.

In the art topic KS3 students explored the traditions of Mexico, in particular their Day of the Dead festival. They researched the reasons for the festival, when it is celebrated and the traditions associated with it. Pupils then created their own Day of the Dead masks. They made paper Mache on a balloon to ensure the mask was 'mask' shaped and once dry they painted their masks to look like the masks they had researched.

For Cherry Tree 50 class Blazer took a trip on a bus from school into Walsall, visited the library and then walked to Walsall Arboretum for a picnic.

