



CHERRY ORCHARD PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear parents and carers

Here are the latest notices from Cherry Orchard.

Parking Reminder

Please remember, you should not park or stop on white zig-zag lines anywhere. Rule 243 of the Highway Code indicates a range of places where motorists must not park or stop. It states that drivers must not park or stop near a school entrance or anywhere that would prevent access for emergency services. The rule will often — but not always — be made obvious with white zig-zags on the road.

Parking outside a school specifically may obstruct visibility for parents and children trying to cross the road and is thus highly dangerous. Please be considerate of our local community and do not park across the driveway of local residents.



Walking to School – WOW – Living Streets

Well done to all of our pupils who have managed to participate in active travel at least once a week in April. We have increased our active journeys taken to 85% and have awarded badges to 59 extra children. Thank you as well to all of our families who have supported their children. Let's see if we can achieve more badges in June.



Our class leader board for April

Class	Amount of badges earnt
2A, 6P, RA	30
4K, 5L	29
3SA	28

Modeshift Stars Green: Approved Travel Plan

We are pleased to announce that we have achieved our Modeshift Stars Green accreditation for completing the following:

 <p>APPROVED TRAVEL PLAN (GREEN)</p> <p>Complete your STARS Application</p> <p>Set at least two targets</p> <p>Plan – 10 Sustainable Travel Initiatives, 5 Supporting Initiatives, 2 Consultation Initiatives</p>	 <p>MODESHIFT</p> <p>STARS</p> <p>EDUCATION</p> <p>GREEN: APPROVED TRAVEL PLAN 2023</p>
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Our aim is to achieve our bronze award ready for September 2023. Let's all work together to promote safer, greener and healthier travel. Keep looking out for information on our progress towards this award.

Wider personal development at Cherry Orchard

Year 3/ 4 Mixed Football tournament

On Friday 28th April, pupils in Years 3 and 4 took part in a football competition against 12 other schools from the West Midlands. The event took place at the WBA Dome. It was a very competitive tournament and we all learnt a lot from taking part in this event. Well done to Omaje, Reeyun, Faariah, Jonah, Sukleen and Aizah.



"I played against 5 football teams. It was fun. We got a medal which was good." Reeyan – Y3

"I played football against different teams. It was fun and painful when I got hit by the ball!!! I was the third best player on the team." - Omaje Y3

Reception trip to Ash End Farm

Reception had a fantastic trip to Ash End Children's Farm. We had a tractor ride where we had to spot all of the scarecrows. We spotted many baby animals. We helped Farmer Debbie to feed the goats and sheep. It was so ticklish! We even met a chick who had hatched that morning.



The King's Coronation



On Friday 5th May, Cherry Orchard dressed up in red, white and blue to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III and Queen Camilla. They found out about the history of the monarchy and explored what would happen in the coronation ceremony the next day at Westminster Abbey. Pupils and staff in RB2 even had their own royal tea party.

YPP – Dennis Edward's Award

On Tuesday 23rd May, our Year 5 YPP representatives attended the Dennis Edward's Awards to present their work on promoting healthier and greener ways to travel to school.

"We have really enjoyed our day at Aston Villa. We presented our project to several other schools about Walking to School and how we can stop pollution. It was quite nerve-wracking on stage but we did well.

We also had a debate with other schools on why we should have shorter school holidays. The judges decided that we had more of a powerful and practical reason why. That was FUN!" (YPP delegates)



Aston Villa Foundation

With Whitsun fast approaching, we would like to share with you our Whitsun Soccer Schools -

Whitsun Soccer Schools

Venues:

Aston (Academy Building, Villa Park)
Bodmoor Heath (Aston Villa Training Ground)
Harborne (Lordswood Girls School)
Sutton Coldfield (Sutton Coldfield Town FC)

Dates: Tuesday 30th May – Friday 2nd June 2023

Time: 9:30 – 15:30

Price: £70

Ages: 5 – 12 year olds

PRE BOOK NOW VIA THE LINKS BELOW

[Aston \(Academy Building, Villa Park\)](#)

[Bodmoor Heath \(Aston Villa Training Ground\)](#) * limited spaces available *

[Harborne \(Lordswood Girls School\)](#)

[Sutton Coldfield \(Sutton Coldfield Town FC\)](#)

Attendance

As you will know from the letter we sent out about attendance in September, 'good' attendance is classed as 96% or above over the year. **This is our whole school target. We are currently at 93.7%.**

We monitor class and individual attendance weekly. Here are the percentages for each class from the beginning of the school year to now:

RA	92.0	RH	89.9
1JA	93.7	1K	90.1
2A	93.9	2B	94.7
3HN	94.6	3HT	95.3
4J	93.5	4K	94.7
5L	95.5	5ST	95.0
6P	94.1	6BE	95.4
RB1	90.4	RB2	94.1

Congratulations to 5L, 6BE and 3HT as the top 3 classes with the highest attendance – you are the closest to 96% - well done!

Upcoming dates for your diary

05 Jun	Start of term for pupils
06 Jun	Police safeguarding talk with Year 6
07 Jun	Years 3 and 4 girls' football tournament
09 Jun	Sports' Day – KS2 am; KS1 pm
13 Jun	Birmingham City Mission Assemblies
14 Jun	Year 6 individual photos and whole school class photos
14 Jun	Years 5 and 6 girls' football tournament
23 Jun	Reserve Sports' Day – KS2 am; KS1 pm
26 Jun	Year 1 - Weston-Super-Mare
28 Jun	SEND Summer Sports' Festival
04 Jun	Summer fair
5 Jul	Class transition day
7 Jul	End of year reports out
10 Jul	Teacher training day (school closed to pupils)
12 Jul	Parents' information evening
20 Jul	Year 6 – end of year performance – 2pm
20 Jul	Year 6 – disco 5pm – 7pm
21 Jul	Whole School Picnic
24 Jul	Year 6 – cinema and bowling trip
25 Jul	End of term (mufti day)



Please follow us on Twitter @copschool for news and updates on learning and fun at Cherry Orchard. You can also find our Twitter feed on the home page of our school website.

Thank you!

Additional Information

You will find lots of additional information on our school website. Please go to www.cherryorchard.bham.sch.uk. If you cannot find the answer to your question, please ask a member of staff. The office number is 0121 5540862.