






Cherry Class (Y1/2) Curriculum Map: Autumn 2024-25

Autumn Themes	English	Maths	Science
<p>The Great Fire of London Exploring the significant historical event in 1666. Pupils will learn about the causes, events, and consequences of the fire, fostering an understanding of its impact on London and its importance in history. Through engaging activities, discussions, and creative projects, students will develop skills in historical inquiry and comprehension.</p> <p>In My World The children will be focusing on comparing the UK and Ecuador. They will explore cultural differences, as well as climate and weather. The cherries will also explore the poles and the equator.</p> <p>Christmas The children will be learning all about various Christmas celebrations, including its significance to Christians. The children will also be taking part in their annual nativity.</p>	<p>Beegu by Alexis Deacon The children will be writing a character description all about the main character Beegu; they will focus on both appearance and personality.</p> <p>Toby & the Great Fire of London by Margaret Nash The children will be writing a diary entry. This will entail learning the suffix -ed for past tense, writing in first person and using time conjunctions to support writing in chronological order.</p> <p>Meerkat Mail by Emily Gravett The children will be writing a non-chronological report after collating information about meerkats.</p> <p>Little Red by Lynn Roberts Cherries will be retelling the story of Little Red using story language, such as rhyme. They will be sequencing sentences to form a narrative.</p> <p>Poetry- children will be writing poetry to entertain, likely with a Christmas theme!</p>	<p>As Mathematicians we will be: Understanding about Number and place value (within 20) Understanding addition and subtraction (within 20) Understanding place value (within 100) Understanding shape</p> <p>Throughout our learning we will deepen our knowledge by reasoning and problem solving investigations. Likewise, we will be using 'daily 10' to build automaticity in key mathematical concepts.</p>	<p>Seasons of the Year As scientists, cherries will explore the four seasons—spring, summer, autumn, and winter. We will learn to identify the characteristics of each season and understand how seasons affect the environment and daily life. This topic will provide year 1/2 students with a rich understanding of the natural world and its cycles.</p> <p>Pets and Gardens As scientists, we will explore different animal groups, including pets, garden animals, and the classifications of herbivores, omnivores, and carnivores. This unit will provide Cherries with a comprehensive understanding of the diversity of animals and their essential needs for survival. We will develop a greater appreciation for the animal kingdom and their role in our environment, fostering curiosity and responsibility towards all living things.</p>
Art	Computing	DT	French
<p>As artists Cherry class will explore the vibrant world of Henri Matisse and learn about collage techniques. They will discover Matisse's contributions to art through engaging videos and discussions, then experiment with various materials such as coloured paper and fabric to create their own collages inspired by his style. By the end of the topic, Cherries will appreciate Matisse's artistic approach and gain confidence in expressing themselves through art.</p>	<p>As computer scientists, we're diving into the exciting world of algorithms and coding, where we'll learn to create step-by-step instructions that power our favourite technology! We'll explore the gadgets and tech we encounter in our daily lives, discovering how they work and their impact on our world. Along the way, we'll also uncover how information technology enhances our lives and, most importantly, learn how to use it safely and responsibly.</p>	<p>As design technologists, Cherry class will explore how wheels, axles and chassis work together to create the base of a fire engine. They will explore different ways of attaching the chassis to the axles. Children will then investigate different ways of creating the body of a fire engine, using materials such as cardboard boxes. They will explore how to create features such as ladders and fire hoses, considering which materials and tools are best suited for different tasks.</p>	<p>As linguists we will be learning how to speak, write and hear:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Core vocabulary and phonetics. - How to present ourselves to others. - Greetings <div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;">   </div>



Geography	History	Music	PE
<p>As explorers Cherry class will discover the seven continents, learning their locations and how proximity to the equator and poles affects climate and land features. Through interactive activities like continent map puzzles, weather wheels, and creative projects, Cherries will investigate diverse climates and physical landscapes. They will enhance their understanding by researching the UK vs Ecuador. This topic fosters curiosity and appreciation for the world's diversity while developing essential geographical skills.</p>	<p>Great Fire of London - as historians we will be immersed way back in the 17th century. Children will be exploring the chronology of key events. The Cherries will also learn about the key figure Samuel Pepys, using his diary to gain a deeper understanding of the tragic effects of the fire.</p> <p>Remembrance Day - Cherries will learn about the significance of honouring those who have served in the armed forces and the sacrifices made. We will learn about the symbolism of the poppy and the importance of the 2 minutes silence. By the end of the topic, they will have a deeper appreciation for the values of courage, remembrance, and community.</p> <p>Black History Month -We explore the life and legacy of Nelson Mandela, focusing on his fight against apartheid and commitment to justice.</p>	<p>As musicians we will be learning to listen & appraise music, take part in warm-up games, flexible games, and compose music with a variety of musical instruments.</p> <p>Hey You! is written in an Old-School Hip Hop style for children to learn about the differences between pulse, rhythm and pitch and to learn how to rap and enjoy it in its original form.</p> <p>Rhythm In The Way We Walk (Reggae style) and Banana Rap (Hip Hop style). We will Listen & Appraise other styles of music and continue to embed the interrelated dimensions of music through games and singing.</p> <p>Cherries will also learn all the songs for the Christmas nativity.</p>	<p>As athletes we will focus on developing balance, coordination, and movement skills. Cherries will engage in fun activities such as obstacle courses, relay races, and agility drills. Cherries will demonstrate increased agility, improved spatial awareness, and greater confidence in their physical abilities.</p> <p>As athletes we will focus on developing hand-eye coordination, teamwork, and basic motor skills. Cherries will participate in target games, partner tosses, and cooperative catching exercises to enhance their throwing accuracy and catching techniques. Cherries will demonstrate improved confidence and skill in throwing and catching, while understanding the importance of cooperation and communication.</p>
PSHE	RE	Trips & Experiences	<i>Children at the heart of everything we do</i>
<p>Being Me in My World</p> <p>As good citizens, cherries will understand the importance of being part of a class team and learn about their roles as school citizens. They will explore rights, responsibilities, and democracy, as well as the concepts of rewards and consequences. Additionally, they will learn how to make group decisions, have their voices heard, and understand what motivates their behaviour.</p> <p>Celebrating Differences</p> <p>As good citizens we understand that, sometimes, we make assumptions based on what people look like and to look at what influences me to make assumptions on what people look like.</p>	<p>Christmas Celebrations</p> <p>In this RE topic, Cherries will explore the significance of Christmas through Christian traditions and diverse cultural practices. They will learn about the birth of Jesus via storytelling and discover the meanings behind symbols like the Christmas tree and gifts. Emphasising the spirit of giving, students will discuss ways to help others and engage in community service projects, such as making cards for local charities. By the end, they will have a deeper understanding of the Christmas story and the importance of kindness during the holiday season.</p>	<p>Seasonal walk- we will be collecting leaves and spotting minibeasts</p> <p>National archives- cherries will be exploring artefacts from 1666</p> <p>Kew Green Memorial- the children will visit the Kew Green War memorial to deepen their understanding and knowledge about why we commemorate Remembrance Day every year.</p> <p>Panto- whole school trip to Richmond Theatre to experience the traditional Christmas fun of the Panto.</p> <p>Great fire of London workshop- this will consolidate all of the half-terms learning</p> <p>French cheese tasting- Cherries will be transported to a French Cafe for some lovely cheese!</p> <p>The Night Before Christmas- immersive day based on the poem where children will dress up and take part in Christmas activities</p>	

Cherry Class (Y1/2) Curriculum Map: Spring 2024-25

Spring Themes	English	Maths	Science
<p>Buddhism Cherries will explore the basics of Buddhism, learning about the life of the Buddha and his teachings on kindness and mindfulness. Through stories, art, and simple activities, they will discover how Buddhists practise meditation and celebrate important festivals. This topic will encourage young learners to appreciate different cultures and promote values of peace and compassion in their everyday lives.</p> <p>Nursing We will learn about the important role nurses play in caring for people. Cherries will explore the history of nursing, from early healers to modern-day nurses, and discover famous figures such as Florence Nightingale. Through stories, crafts, and role-playing activities, students will understand the qualities that make a good caregiver, fostering respect and appreciation for this vital profession.</p>	<p>A Cloudy Lesson- literacy shed The children will be using this video stimulus to write instructions for a new weather machine.</p> <p>The Incredible Book Eating Boy- Oliver Jeffers Children will write an informal letter to Henry asking him to not to eat their favourite book and attempting to convince him by giving a review and explaining why it is so good</p> <p>Leaf by Sandra Deickmann Cherries will be writing a narrative inspired by Leaf. They will be using story language and a third-person narrative.</p> <p>One Day on our Blue Planet In the Savannah- again, children will be writing their very own story narrative. Children will learn -er and -est for comparative language.</p> <p>In the Antarctic- the children will be conducting research about an antarctic animal and formulating an information leaflet.</p>	<p>As mathematicians we will be: Understanding about addition and subtraction (within 100) Understanding multiplication and division Understanding length and height Understanding statistics</p> <p>Throughout our learning we will deepen our knowledge by reasoning and problem solving investigations. Likewise, we will be using 'daily 10' to build automaticity in key mathematical concepts.</p>	<p>Living in Habitats In this exciting science topic, students will explore the different habitats where living things thrive. They will learn about the characteristics of various habitats, the plants and animals that live there, and how these organisms adapt to their environments.</p> <p>Identifying Plants As scientists, Cherries will explore the world of plants by identifying various types in their environment. Through hands-on activities like nature walks and planting seeds, they will develop observational skills and understand the basic needs of plants. By the end, students will have a greater appreciation for the diversity of plant life around them.</p>
<p>Art</p>	<p>Computing</p>	<p>DT</p>	<p>French</p>
<p>As artists, Cherries will explore the exciting works of Henri Matisse and Rita Greer. The children will learn about Matisse's use of bright colours and fun shapes in his cut-outs and sculptures. The children will be inspired to be creative with their own art. They will learn that Rita Greer used natural materials and cool ideas in her sculptures, showing us how art can be both traditional and modern.</p>	<p>Digital Photography- as computer scientists, we will learn about the various devices used for taking photos, including smartphones and digital cameras. They will explore the elements that contribute to a good photograph, such as composition, lighting, and subject matter.</p> <p>Robot Algorithms- cherries will learn to program robots. They will explore how changing the order of instructions affects the robot's actions. Through hands-on activities, students will enhance their problem-solving skills and creativity in programming.</p>	<p>Food Tech The cherries will learn how to handle and prepare fresh fruits and vegetables. They will explore safe techniques for washing, peeling, and chopping, and understand the importance of food safety. Students will also create and follow their own recipes, encouraging creativity and critical thinking in the kitchen. Through hands-on activities, they will build confidence in preparing healthy dishes and foster a lifelong appreciation for nutritious foods.</p>	<p>As linguists we will be learning how to speak, write and hear:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Counting to 10 - Common colours - Sea creatures <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="width: 20px; height: 20px; background-color: #003366; border: 1px solid black;"></div> <div style="width: 20px; height: 20px; background-color: #CC0000; border: 1px solid black;"></div> </div> <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 20px;">  </div>

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<p>Taught Autumn & Summer Terms</p>	<p>As historians, we will be researching the history of nursing. Cherries will learn about the significant contributions of Mary Seacole and Florence Nightingale to the field of nursing. They will explore how both women cared for soldiers and improved healthcare practices. Students will discover the challenges they faced and the impact of their work on nursing today. By participating in creative tasks, such as role-playing and making posters, students will develop an appreciation for these pioneering figures and the importance of compassion and care in healthcare.</p>	<p>As musicians we will be learning to listen & appraise music, take part in warm-up games, flexible games, and compose music with a variety of musical instruments.</p> <p>In The Groove is a song that was specially written for classroom use to teach children about different styles of music. This is a very easy song to learn and has been arranged in six different styles; Blues, Baroque, Latin, Bhangra, Folk and Funk. Each week you will listen and learn a different style of In The Groove. Round And Round, a Bossa Nova Latin style. The material presents an integrated approach to music where games, the dimensions of music (pulse, rhythm, pitch etc), singing and playing instruments are all linked</p>	<p>As athletes, we will explore the joy of movement through dance. They will learn basic dance steps and techniques while expressing themselves creatively. The unit will focus on developing coordination, rhythm, and teamwork. By the end of the unit, students will showcase their dances to the class, fostering confidence and a love for physical activity.</p> <p>As athletes, cherries will be introduced to the basics of handball, a fun and fast-paced game. They will learn essential skills such as throwing, catching, and passing while playing simple games that encourage teamwork and cooperation. The unit will focus on developing hand-eye coordination and understanding the rules of the game.</p>
PSHE	RE	Trips & Experiences	<i>Children at the heart of everything we do</i>
<p>Dreams and Goals As good citizens Cherries will learn about setting simple goals and using stepping stones to achieve them, as well as how to collaborate effectively with others. Additionally, they will explore different strategies for tackling challenges and understand common obstacles and ways to overcome them.</p> <p>Healthy Me Cherries will learn about the differences between healthy and unhealthy choices, as well as how to make healthy decisions in their daily lives. They will understand the importance of keeping themselves clean and explore topics related to germs, disease, and illness. Cherries will learn about medicines and how to use them safely, along with essential skills for crossing the road safely.</p>	<p>Buddhism Cherries will embark on a journey to learn about Buddhism, a peaceful religion that emphasises kindness and mindfulness. Students will discover the life of Siddhartha Gautama (the Buddha) and explore key teachings like the Four Noble Truths and the Eightfold Path. We will also look at different types of Buddhism practised around the world, meditation techniques, and discuss how these teachings can be relevant today. Through fun quizzes, creative projects, and engaging discussions, students will develop a deeper understanding of Buddhism and its positive impact on individuals and communities.</p>	<p>London Wetland Centre- the cherries will be exploring the centre to allow them to connect with nature. We will also engage in a habitat workshop, linked to science.</p> <p>Seasonal walk- linking back to our season's topic, children will note the differences between autumn and spring.</p> <p>Nursing workshop- this online experience will be an immersive discussion with Mary Seacole herself</p> <p>Gardening- linked to our plants topic, the cherries will be provided with seeds to plant their very own plant!</p> <p>Meditation/RE day- children will be fully immersed in the relaxing buddhist practice of mindfulness and meditation</p>	<div style="text-align: center;">  </div>

Cherry Class (Y1/2) Curriculum Map: Summer 2024-25

Summer Themes	English	Maths	Science
<p>Lets go to the Jungle Cherries will explore tropical rainforests, learning about the incredible plants and animals that inhabit these vibrant ecosystems. Through fun activities and stories, they will discover what makes jungles unique and the importance of protecting them, fostering curiosity and a love for nature.</p> <p>Toys Past and Present This unit will spark curiosity and creativity while celebrating the joy of play across generations. With a cross-curricular link to science, cherries will discover how toys have evolved from traditional wooden playthings and simple dolls to the modern, high-tech gadgets we see today.</p>	<p>Lila and the Secret of Rain Using previously learnt knowledge and skills, the children will be writing a setting description of the land before and after the rain. Cherries will also be writing a diary entry about Lila's journey in first person.</p> <p>The Tear Thief Children will be using imperative verbs and time connectives to write a beautiful set of instructions for how to make the moon shine.</p> <p>The Clock Tower Again, this is a literacy shed animation. The children will use this as a stimulus for writing a setting description.</p> <p>Poems to Perform- Julia Donaldson Cherries will learn the key features of some poems, such as rhyme, and write poetry to perform in a poetry slam!</p>	<p>As Mathematicians we will be: Understanding about money Understanding fractions Understanding time Understanding mass, capacity and temperature Understanding position and direction</p> <p>Throughout our learning we will deepen our knowledge by reasoning and problem solving investigations. Likewise, we will be using 'daily 10' to build automaticity in key mathematical concepts.</p>	<p>Exploring Everyday Materials As scientists, the children will discover the different materials that make up the world around them, such as wood, plastic, metal, and fabric. They will engage in hands-on activities to identify and sort these materials based on their properties, like hardness, softness, and flexibility. Through fun experiments and discussions, students will learn how these materials are used in everyday objects and why they are important, fostering curiosity about their environment.</p> <p><i>Please see PSHE 'changing me' for the summer 2 science focus.</i></p>
Art	Computing	DT	French
<p>Drawing and Painting As artists, cherries will discover the life and art of the renowned painter Henri Rousseau. They will analyse his unique style, characterised by vibrant colours and imaginative jungle scenes, and discuss the themes and techniques in his work. Through hands-on activities, students will create their own art inspired by Rousseau, fostering creativity and an appreciation for this influential artist.</p>	<p>Pictograms- we will learn to count and compare objects using tally charts. They will recognize how objects can be represented as pictures and understand that people can be described by their attributes. The children will develop skills in data representation and analysis.</p> <p>Making music- we will explore how music can evoke different emotions and express feelings. We will identify patterns in music and describe its various uses in everyday life.</p>	<p>Taught in Autumn & Spring Terms</p>	<p>As linguists we will be learning how to speak, write and hear:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Forms of transportation - Nursery rhymes <div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;">  <div style="margin-left: 20px;">  </div> </div>

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<p>Lets go to the Jungle As explorers, cherries will embark on an exciting journey to learn about tropical rainforests and their amazing ecosystems, especially those found near the equator. They will explore the vibrant plants and animals that live in these areas, including the important roles of mangrove forests and cloud forests. Through fun activities and projects, students will discover what makes these habitats special and why it's important to protect them, sparking their curiosity about the natural world.</p>	<p>Toys Past and Present Cherries will embark on a fun journey through time to discover how toys have changed! They'll explore everything from classic wooden toys and dolls to today's high-tech gadgets. Through engaging stories, exciting hands-on activities, and creative projects, students will compare toys from the past with their favourites today. This topic promises to spark curiosity and imagination while celebrating the magic of toys!</p>	<p>As musicians we will be learning to listen & appraise music, take part in warm-up games, flexible games, and compose music with a variety of musical instruments. Your Imagination by Joanna Mangona and Pete Readman. This is a song about using your imagination. We will listen & appraise, play warm-up games, improvise, and compose. Consolidate your learning and perform this work: consolidates the learning that has occurred during the year. All the learning is focused around revisiting songs and musical activities, a context for the History of Music and the beginnings of the Language of Music.</p>	<p>As athletes, we will explore running, jumping, and throwing. The unit will focus on developing coordination, strength, and speed while encouraging teamwork and friendly competition. Students will participate in mini competitions to showcase their skills, fostering a sense of achievement and a love for physical activity. We will develop our hitting, catching, and throwing while participating in games. The unit will emphasise teamwork, coordination, and understanding the basic rules of the games. Through engaging drills and mini-matches, students will build confidence and enjoy the excitement of striking and fielding.</p>
PSHE	RE	Trips & Experiences	<i>Children at the heart of everything we do</i>
<p>Relationships Cherries will explore different types of families and what it means to be a good friend. They will learn appropriate ways to greet their friends and identify who they can ask for help within their school community. Additionally, cherries will reflect on their qualities as individuals and friends, and consider who is special to them. Changing Me Cherries will learn about the life cycle of animals and humans, exploring how they change as they grow older. They will discuss the aspects of themselves that remain the same and the body parts that differentiate boys and girls. Additionally, cherries will reflect on the changes that have occurred in their own lives. This is also the science learning for summer 2.</p>	<p>Christian Rites of Passage The children will explore important ceremonies in the Christian faith, such as baptism, confirmation, and marriage. They will learn what these ceremonies mean and how they celebrate special moments in a person's life. Through engaging stories and fun activities, students will gain a better understanding of these traditions and the values they represent, encouraging respect for different beliefs and practices.</p>	<p>Church visit- an opportunity for students to experience firsthand the history and significance of the space, deepening their understanding of community and faith Jungle day- an exciting way for cherries to immerse themselves in their geography learning. We will dress as jungle animals or explorers, to enhance our understanding of jungles and the wildlife found there Sports day- a fun-filled event where students showcase their skills, teamwork, and sportsmanship while participating in various activities and races</p>	