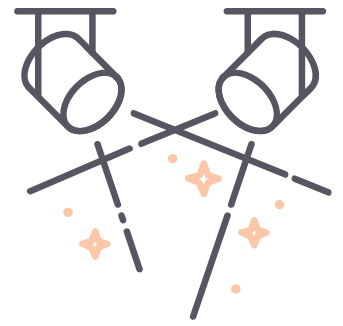


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WELCOME

What a cold end to the term! Despite the freezing temperatures, it has been wonderful to see children and staff learning and playing in the snow over the last few days. With the snow giving everywhere a festive feel, the schools have been awash with Christmas activities – nativities, carol concerts and Christmas dinners.

I'd like to wish you all a very happy Christmas for those who celebrate it and hope that everyone has an enjoyable holiday. Roll on 2023!

James Roach
@CEOInclusiveMAT





**BEECHFIELD
SCHOOL**



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GREAT BEHAVIOUR

Mrs Jackson wrote to parents in our newsletter, praising the behaviour of the Y6 children when they went to Cherry Tree for a football tournament recently. The staff said their behaviour was responsible and respectful at all times.

When the school nursing service came to Beechfield, they said the behaviour here was amazing, the best they had seen in all of the schools they had visited. Thank you all as this is helping to make our school a great success!



CHRISTMAS SHOWS

Well done to all our performers in their Christmas shows this week. There have been some wonderful performances and lots of lovely singing. It was lovely to be able to invite parents/carers into school to watch this year.



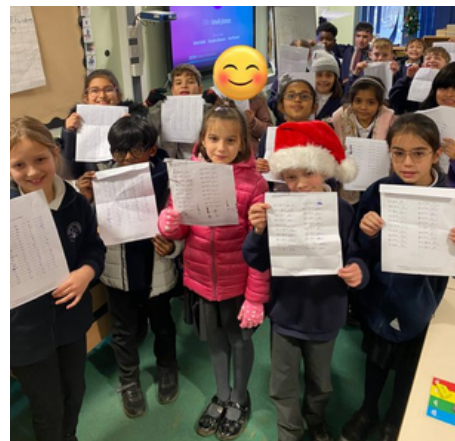
Palm class loved their snowy PE lesson today!



ANTI BULLYING WEEK

We had an additional assembly on Friday. It was hosted by James Roach, CEO of the Inclusive Multi Academy Trust. Beechfield, Cherry Tree and Laurance Haines were all present. Over a thousand children and staff took part in an Anti Bullying Showcase Assembly with children from all three schools presenting their learning. It was an amazing celebration of kindness, diversity and inclusion and we at Beechfield were so proud to be part of this.

Y4 MASTERS OF TIMESTABLES



**Be Kind, Work Hard,
Love Learning**



CHERRY TREE
PRIMARY SCHOOL



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SCHOOL LEADERS

This half term we have been busy forming our Children's Parliament. All classes held elections to select their representative. The children were asked to write a short speech about why they would be good for the job and present it to their class.

We also held a whole school election to appoint our school leaders. We had nearly 20 children from year 6 aim high and put themselves forward for the positions.

Each candidate had to create and present a manifesto. The whole school then voted for who they wanted to become their leaders. The successful candidates were Alex, Toby, Summer-Rose and Abdelmoniem. They are all very excited to get stuck into the role. The first thing they would like to work on is to reintroduce our House Point system here at Cherry Tree.



STEP TO SKILLS

Exciting news for next year!

Cherry Tree School will be working alongside Step 2 Skills to provide a space within the school to support parents and carers with adult learning.



Step2Skills offer a wide variety of courses for Hertfordshire residents aged 18+. These courses range from accredited adult education opportunities and employment support services to courses focusing on wellbeing, household budgets, personal finances and crafting.

In January our Hub will be hosting a coffee morning to provide an opportunity for members of our local community to talk through their ideas about their needs prior to confirming the courses on offer.

We are asking that those interested pop into the hub to discuss further and to pick up a Step 2 Skills information pack. Or for more information you can [click this link](#) to access the Step 2 Skills Website.

AUTHOR VISITS

Cherry Tree have had a number of amazing author visits, both in person and via zoom, over the last few months. These include Michael Rosen, Andy Griffiths, Sam Copeland and Jenny Pearson, our very own 'Draw with Rob' when Rob Biddulph visited, Jack Meggitt-Philips and the Gruffalo!

Most recently world famous author Sophy Henn visited Cherry Tree school. She took 120 children in Key Stage 1 on an amazing journey through her 'Lifesize' and 'All Kinds Of' series. The children measured the length of a squids' tentacles using string which went on for meters and meters! We measured each other up to the paw of a polar bear and every child drew a cute red panda, following instructions from Sophy.



At Cherry Tree we love reading and the inspiration these authors bring to all our children is fantastic.

**Learning together, learning
for life!**

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LAURANCE HAINES
SCHOOL



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FIFTY YEARS OF LAURANCE HAINES SCHOOL

This year we are celebrating Laurance Haines School's 50th Birthday! Over the course of the year ahead, we will be hosting special, celebratory events with the children and the community. This term, we commissioned a photograph of the whole school, which was last done 10 years ago. We have also commissioned a special logo which will be used for commemorative items to be made available for the school in the coming months. Plans are also underway for a birthday celebration event at the end of the summer term, with all of the school to be invited as well as out alumni and wider community members.



STORY SACK COURSE

We would like to say a huge 'Thank You' to Joy from Step2Skills for a great Story Sacks course.

Attendees learnt how to support literacy skills and the children even joined them for a hands on activity to apply their learning! We are hoping to run this course again in the new year. Watch this space for more information!

For more information about the wonderful Step2Skills and the courses they run, click [HERE](#)

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

On 28th November, we were visited by the Chief Inspector of Herts Police along with our PCSO. They came to present our amazing Year 5 and Year 6 Black History Month poster winners with their prizes. A huge well done to our winners!



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