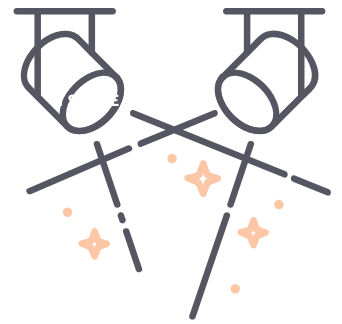


INCLUSIVE | MULTI ACADEMY TRUST

IN THE SPOTLIGHT



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WELCOME

I wanted to share some brilliant news! The Inclusive Multi Academy Trust has been shortlisted for the prestigious Inclusivity Award at the national Optimus Education Multi-Academy Trust Excellence Awards. This recognises the fantastic efforts made by our schools, staff, trustees, governors, children and parents to champion equality, diversity and inclusion across our schools and community.

The MAT Excellence Awards highlight excellence and innovative practice amongst the top multi-academy trusts across the country. Reaching the shortlist is a superb achievement. It reflects our commitment to an inclusive ethos and is testament to the hard work of pupils, staff, families and partners.

We are also incredibly proud that Cheska Tyler, Headteacher at Cherry Tree Primary School, has been invited to a reception at 10 Downing Street by the Minister of State for Schools, the Rt Hon Damian Hinds MP. This is in recognition of the work that the school does as a community education champion.

While it is brilliant for our efforts to be acknowledged through these national accolades, our real motivation remains our children and community. We strive each day to provide the best education and opportunities for all our pupils to achieve their potential. The trust was created to serve our community, so this external recognition is ultimately a reflection of the passion, diversity and talents of our pupils, staff and families. We are grateful for the ongoing partnership of our community as we continue building an inclusive culture where every child belongs.

We will keep you updated on the awards ceremony in February. For now, congratulations and thank you to everyone who contributes to making our trust a place where every child can thrive.

James Roach
@CEOInclusiveMAT





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SAFER INTERNET DAY

We have been talking about internet safety this month and have had a Trust assembly too. Beechfield, Cherry Tree and Laurance Haines children have all been sharing their learning about how to keep safe online.

Parental support with online safety is crucial and we encourage all of our parents to monitor what their children are seeing and doing online.

Age Restrictions for Social Media Platforms

What is the minimum age for account holders on these social media sites and apps?



Sourced from NSPCC website October 2019

GARDENING NEWS!



Absolutely giddy that one child has managed to get two flowers on their bamboo orchid!

BOOK LOOK and READING SESSIONS

Thank you to our wonderful parents for joining us at the end of half term for the book look in each class! Your positive feedback and appreciation for the children's hard work and progress mean the world to us.

We have also enjoyed several successful parent reading sessions. It was heartwarming to see parents fully engaged, listening to their children read and asking insightful questions.



PREFECTS PERSPECTIVE

For our final Mini Police assembly, we went outside onto the concrete on the playground and parked there was a police car! We took turns to sit in the seats of the car and got to beep the horn. If you pressed 999 it would set off the lights on top of the car!



PANCAKE DAY!

What delicious pancakes Reception children decorated for Pancake Day! We hope you enjoyed them Pear Class!



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



CHERRY TREE
PRIMARY SCHOOL



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M2 CLUB

We're thrilled to share the latest achievements from our cherished M2 Club, a special initiative dedicated to movement and mindfulness for the well-being of our KS2 girls.

Welcoming a new cohort of Year 3 girls, alongside our dedicated Year 6 participants, the club tailors its curriculum for emotional, physical, and mental well-being. Our Year 6 girls spread positivity by creating uplifting messages in staff toilets, enhancing the well-being of our school staff. Recently, Year 3 girls completed their curriculum with a triumphant 5km challenge. Families, teachers, and community members joined, showcasing the positive impact on our children.

We take pride in the M2 Club's positive impact, fostering growth, teamwork, and joy in our school community. Here's to the well-being and success of our amazing girls!



ECO NEWS AT CHERRY TREE

We were fortunate to be visited by Adem Baysal, one of our parent governors, who is also a Manager with Affinity Water.

Adem lead an impactful assembly for our Year 2 to 6 children about water conservation. This was a wonderful opportunity to tap into one of our parents areas of expertise and Adem kindly gave us all a greater understanding of the importance of saving water and we thank him for bringing this important subject to life.



Our newly relaunched Eco-council will be following up with this important assembly through monitoring our water usage, learning more about endangered chalk streams in our local area and supporting our school community to improve our sustainable practices.

If anyone has a particular interest or area of expertise in sustainability or conservation that you would like to share with our children, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Emma Hill
Year 2 Class Teacher

AND THE WINNER IS STELLA

Congratulations go to Stella from Year 6 who was the deserving winner of the YESSS Electrical poster competition with this impactful design on energy saving.

The poster she created will be displayed in the YESSS Electrical window in Imperial Way and shared nationwide. Stella won a £50 Gift Voucher for herself, and for the school, she has won a free classroom lighting upgrade of for a room of our choice. All the children who took part also received a tote bag as a thank you for taking part.

Congratulations to Stella and thank you to all the children that got involved.



**Learning together, learning
for life!**



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CHINESE NEW YEAR

In Woodland, the children have been learning about Chinese New Year and why animals are used to represent their years. The children made masks of the different animals then used them to act out the story.

The whole school also took part in Dragon Dance Workshops which were incredibly exciting!



GYMNASTICS

Thanks to our partnership with the wonderful team at Watford Gymnastics, our Year 4 children are provided with the opportunity to use their state of the art gymnasium for their PE lessons. Here is a photo from one of Team Palm's last sessions - we are sure Team Pine will have just as much fun as they start their time at Watford Gymnastics!



TAG RUGBY COMPETITION

This month, Year 5 took part in a Trust Tag Rugby competition. We are so proud of our Year 5's for their incredible effort, sportsmanship and teamwork, coming second!



OUTDOOR LEARNING ON X

We would just like to let our parents know about a new account on X (formerly Twitter) which has been set up to celebrate outdoor learning at Laurance Haines. Please feel free to follow the account to see some of the wonderful learning which takes place.

[@LHSOutdoorLearn](#)



**"You see me, you
hear me, I belong"**