



CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

19th April 2021



Welcome back!

Hopefully everyone managed to enjoy some of the sunshine over the Easter break and the easing of restrictions in terms of meeting up with friends and family. I know I enjoyed tea and cake in the garden with my parents to celebrate my birthday - so very different to last year's lockdown birthday. The season of Spring is a time for new beginnings and it is hoped that with continued caution and sensible behaviour from everyone, the country can continue on its path in terms of easing restrictions. At school, we continue to have in place all the risk control measures that were in place from September and this will be the case until guidance says otherwise. When anything changes, we will be in touch to let you know.

For now, we plan to make the most of the weather whilst keeping up the excellent care and education that we pride ourselves on and you have come to expect.

As always, if you have any questions please contact school. Please also look out for a letter about staffing changes at school.

Take care and stay safe,

Mrs Green

Celebrations!

No sharing assembly took place during the last week of the Spring term.



Curriculum news

During the INSET day at the end of last term, the staff met to agree curriculum priorities for the summer term. They have agreed their intentions for the curriculum in each class and these are contained in the curriculum overview which is available on the school website (www.capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk/page/curriculum-20202021/89171).

In-class interventions and additional tuition has been arranged for those pupils who have been identified by staff as needing it. All this will take place during the school day. Options for tuition outside the school day were explored but we felt that space didn't allow for this easily and that the needs of the children would be best met by staff who knew them as much as possible. We have sourced tuition from a trusted and respected retired head teacher who has met with the staff to discuss the needs of the children and they will meet the children this week. We see tuition as an extension of the quality education that each child receives from their class teachers and it is expected that children will move out of this provision as and when gaps are closed.

Homework will also be set each week and children are expected to complete their homework and turn it in. Some children complete very little, if any homework, which is frustrating when time has been spent setting it and other families have spent time completing it.

If you have any questions about the curriculum, tuition or homework, please contact school using contact@capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk

Testing for Covid-19 - please read carefully and thoroughly

It is important that if your child becomes unwell with any of the COVID-19 symptoms listed below that you get tested. Testing sites are available across Cheshire and Merseyside, with appointments for tests released daily throughout the day and a new centre has opened locally in Ellesmere Port.

At this time it is crucial that **only** people who have **COVID-19 symptoms** book a test. These include:

- a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

There is no need for members of a pupil's household to have a test, unless they are also symptomatic but **ALL** members of the household do need to isolate until the test results are back.

If your child tests positive they should self-isolate and stay off school for 10 days, the rest of the household need to isolate for at least 10 days. If the test comes back negative they can return to school if they no longer have symptoms and have been fever free for 48hrs.

To book a test please visit: www.nhs.uk or by calling: 119.



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Police and Crime Commissioner elections

These will be held in the village hall on Thursday 6th May. Arrangements are being discussed between the village hall and the electoral office to ensure that appropriate measures are put in place to ensure that parents and families of children at school and pre-school are distanced from local residents coming to vote. This will also impact on available space for parking in the car park - please be mindful of this and use the car park safely and considerately.

Appointments During The School Day

If your child has a medical appointment which is during the school day, (where appointments are routinely made in advance), please can you email school to advise the nature of the appointment and send a photo of the appointment card or letter. Please email admin@capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk in advance of the day of the appointment so that Mrs Auld can update the register.

Appointment cards are not necessary if your child is off school ill and you are making a trip to the GP. This only refers to pre-planned appointments and check ups. Thank you for your co-operation.

West Cheshire Foodbank

We welcome your on-going support of the West Cheshire Foodbank each week. Food items are to be brought in and will be gathered in each classroom before being placed in the collection box by a member of staff. This week the Foodbank is particularly in need of **UHT milk, UHT fruit juice, instant coffee, cup-a-soup, instant mash, jams and spreads**. Thank you in advance for your continued support.



Friends of Capenhurst

Bonus Ball

Bonus ball resumes this weekend. Good luck everyone!

Facebook Page

Just a reminder, and for our new families, that Friends of Capenhurst has a Facebook page, 'Friends of Capenhurst School (PTA)'. This is a closed group for **current parents/carers only**; please request to join the group if you have not already done so and you will be added. The group provides fundraising updates and general school reminders.

Twitter

Follow us on Twitter for class news and updates [@CapenhurstCEPS](https://twitter.com/CapenhurstCEPS)



Birthday Celebrations

The following children celebrate a birthday this week (19th to 25th April):

Daisy D

