



CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

7th September 2016



Welcome back!

I hope that everyone had a lovely break over the summer and found time to relax and enjoy time with their families. There are lots of exciting things planned for this school year - Sponsored Walk to help Carla Jones raise money for her trip to Nepal, Macmillan coffee morning with the community - to name but a few. The first sharing assembly of the new year will be on Friday 16th September at the usual time of 2.40pm.

As usual, if you have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to raise them at school.

Mrs Green

Celebrations!

Each week, on Friday afternoons, we award 'Star of the Week' to pupils across school for significant effort and achievement. We also award an Infant Cup and Junior Cup to two pupils whom the staff believe have gone that extra mile with their work or attitude in school. Classes will be given the opportunity to share something of their classwork on a regular basis at each assembly.

Children are invited to bring certificates and news from home that they would like to share related to their hobbies and interests. The assemblies are held in the Village Hall and start at 2.40pm.



'Fun Day'

On behalf of everyone at school I would like to say a huge THANK YOU to Mrs Brassington for her incredible fundraising effort in organising the fun day on Saturday 27th August. It was a wonderful day with lots of to do and enjoy. There was a raffle and auction of promises as well as clay pigeon shooting, bouncy castle, face painting and many more. The local community was extremely generous in terms of donations of prizes and funds. In total almost £1400 was raised on the day. These funds will help immensely in paying for replacement interactive boards for Classes 2, 3 and 4. Thank you to everyone who helped Mrs Brassington before, during and after the event; all your support is much appreciated.

Dates and events - a few things for the calendar!

Friday 9th Sept - Information assembly about new cub scout pack in the village hall at 2.40pm

Monday 12th Sept - Reception children start full-time at school

Thursday 15th Sept - 'Welcome' service at Holy Trinity for new families to school at 11am

Friday 16th Sept - Sharing assembly with short fencing presentation, starts at 2.30pm

Wednesday 21st Sept - Classes 1 and 2 visit the Earth Skills project at Hooton Memorial Hall

Thursday 22nd Sept - Sponsored Walk

Friday 23rd Sept - School BBQ

Thursday 29th Sept - Harvest Service (to be confirmed)

Friday 30th Sept - Macmillan coffee morning

Tues 11th Oct - Class 4 to Chester Cathedral for Pilgrim day

Friday 14th Oct - School photographs

Wednesday 26th Oct and Thursday 27th Oct - Parents' Evening

Monday 31st Oct - Friday 4th Nov - Half term

Thursday 10th Nov - Class 4 trip to Houses of Parliament

Wednesday 21st Dec - Whole school panto trip

Thursday 22nd Dec - School breaks up for Christmas at **2pm**.

There will be more details sent home for the events as they become available and closer to taking place. Other dates will be added as they are set in the diary.

Assembly on Friday 9th September

Rob Smith from 1st Sutton (Wirral) Scout Group will be in school to lead a short presentation about the new beaver and cub scout packs which will be starting in Capenhurst this month. Rob already runs a thriving scout group from their hut on Heath Lane in Little Sutton and has done so for many years. If your son or daughter would be interested in joining the new Capenhurst pack, please come along to join us in the village hall this Friday at 2.40pm for more information. This presentation is instead of our usual sharing assembly which will resume on Friday 16th September.



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Macmillan coffee morning

We will be taking part in the Macmillan World's Biggest Coffee Morning in the Village Hall on Friday 30th September. The coffee morning will run from 10.30 - 11.30am. This will be a community event with everyone in school and the wider Capenhurst community getting involved. We will be asking for contributions of cakes and biscuits to be sent in to be enjoyed by those who come along as well as volunteers to help with the making and serving of coffee as well as setting up and clearing away. The children will be involved in decorating the hall as well as meeting people on arrival and sharing some of their songs from school at various points during the morning. I hope that many of you and your families are able to pop along and support this cause that offers support to so many people.

Premier Sports

Mr Hartley will be returning to Capenhurst to continue his sport teaching with all the classes. We are able to continue with this high quality P.E. provision through careful deployment of the Sports Premium funding which is delegated to each school to enhance P.E. provision for all children. We also spend this money on subsidising after-school clubs and other sporting activities as well as paying for swimming teaching and lifeguard provision for school swimming lessons. Further details of how this money is spent at Capenhurst can be found on the school website - www.capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk

Sponsored walk and BBQ

We are pleased to be able to support one of our previous pupils - Carla Jones, Jamee's sister - in raising funds for her forthcoming trip to Nepal with Cheshire Fire Cadets. Each child will be bringing home a sponsor form for a walk around the field which will be held on Thursday 22nd September. Carla will be taking part alongside us on the day and will then share some information about her trip before and after.

We will be holding our annual 'start of the year' BBQ on Friday 23rd September. This is an opportunity for families and friends to come along and get to know each other and catch up after the summer break. Staff will be there to spend time getting to know you and your families. A letter with details of tickets etc. will be sent home very soon.

School lunches

The children took part in an online survey in school prior to the end of the summer term and a new three weekly rolling menu was selected from their preferred options. The menus are attached and will also be on the school website, www.capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk and on the noticeboard on the side of school.

School lunches cost £2.20 for children in Y3 and above. Children in EYFS, Y1 or Y2 are still able to receive a free school meal from 1st September 2016.

Mid-day vacancies

We continue to have two vacancies for a full-time mid-day assistant. Either role could be split into to a part-week role for anyone who may be interested. If you feel that this is something that you or a family member or friend would be interested in, please contact me at school for further information. The role is an interesting and varied role that involves serving meals, supervising the children as they eat and encouraging them to eat their food, clearing away and cleaning the rooms ready for afternoon school and supervising the children as they play. It is an opportunity to be part of the school team and work closely with all staff to the benefit of the children. We take safeguarding very seriously at Capenhurst and all the required disclosure and barring checks will be made as well as an expectation of confidentiality and professionalism if appointed.

West Cheshire Foodbank

We will continue to support the West Cheshire Foodbank this year. This week the Foodbank is particularly in need of **instant coffee, tea, rice pudding and cereal**. If you would like to donate items there is a collection box by the back door, or alternatively items can be brought into the school office.

Golden Mile

Mrs Arkell will be starting the Golden Mile again next week. Everyone is welcome to join us on Tuesdays from 3.10pm til 3.30pm, weather permitting, to take part in the Golden Mile.

Letters that have been sent home

This box will become a regular feature on our newsletter and will contain details of letters that have been sent home during the past week. It should help avoid letters going missing and remaining in trays and bags. If you notice a letter that hasn't made it home, please contact the office for a copy.



Birthday Celebrations

The following children will celebrate a birthday during this week:

Ethan Lowe

Ellie Anderson