



CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER

10th October 2016



I hope you all had a lovely weekend and found time to enjoy the sunshine. This week Class 4 will be taking part in the Pilgrim Day activities organised by Chester Cathedral. This is a varied and interesting day full of different activities - hopefully the children will be able to share a few with us at this week's sharing assembly. This Friday will also be the first draw of the new school year of our 100 club, hope you've all managed to purchase a number! Kind regards, Mrs Green

Celebrations!

Stars of the week

Class 1: Ethan Henson for his hard work learning his phonics at home and school.

Class 2: Libby Brassington for her fabulous effort with her reading and writing.

Class 3: Milla Johnson-Evans for fantastic effort in all her work.

Class 4: Joe Powell for great maths work on long multiplication and a good effort in his written work.

The Infant cup was awarded to Orla Metcalfe for all round effort with everything in school. The Junior cup was awarded to Daniel Brocklehurst for his positive attitude to all aspects of school life and his willingness to help others.

Well done to everyone who shared their news and achievements in assembly last week.



Dates and events - a few things for the calendar!

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

Friday 14th Oct - School photographs - Don't forget your smile!

Wednesday 19th Oct - Class 1 Family Lunch

Wednesday 26th Oct and Thursday 27th Oct - Parents' Evening - letter will be sent out this week

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

Wednesday 9th November - Class 2 Family Lunch

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

Friday 11th November - Cake Sale

Wednesday 23rd November - Class 3 Family Lunch

Tuesday 29th November - Internet Safety Roadshow, Mrs Ritson attending with 5 pupils from Class 4

Wednesday 30th November - Class 4 Family Lunch

Wednesday 30th November - Starlight clothing collection

Thursday 15th December - Christingle Service at Holy Trinity church at 2pm with families invited to make Christingles with their children during the morning at school

Friday 16th December - Final sharing assembly of the term

Tuesday 20th December - KS2 Carol Service at Holy Trinity Church at 6pm

Wednesday 21st Dec - Whole school panto trip

Thursday 22nd December - School Christmas Lunch

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.

Attendance

Whole school attendance for September:

97.1%

Whole school attendance for the year to date is:

97.5%

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

Parents are invited to book an appointment for either date to discuss how their child has settled into the new school year both academically and socially. Appointments are allocated to best suit parental preference with siblings being allocated times close together. There will be a letter coming home with a reply slip for you to indicate your preferred time slot(s) and days. Times are allocated to siblings groups initially then on a first come, first served basis; if no slip is received then a time will be allocated according to the slots remaining. It is not always possible to allocate every family with their preferred slot due to the volume of requests for popular times; staff will make sure that appointments reflect parental preference as much as is possible.

Appointments are 10 minutes in length with staff aiming to keep to this time allocation so that every parent gets the opportunity to speak with their child's teacher. Please respect this time allocation when meeting with the class teacher to prevent excessive over-running for both parents and staff alike. If a longer or additional appointment is necessary then this will be arranged between staff and parents as required. If you have any questions about the arrangements please speak with your child's teacher. I shall be available on both nights should you wish to make an appointment to see me, please remember that I have my own class's parents to see also on both nights and I will do my best to accommodate requests from parents with children in other classes.



Capenhurst Community Group

The children have been asked to design a logo for the recently formed Capenhurst Community Group. Each child will bring home a leaflet with space for their design and these are to be returned by Friday 25th November at the latest. The group will then judge the entries and the winner will be announced at the 'Carols on the Green' event on Saturday 17th December at 5pm. We plan to take a choir to this event and share some of the carols and songs that we will be learning for Christmas. The group have also organised a Barn Dance for Saturday 19th November in the village hall at 7.30pm. Tickets cost £10 and are available from the school office. There will be food, a bar and a raffle.

Pilgrim Day - Class 4

Just a reminder that children in Class 4 must be at school tomorrow (Tuesday 11th October) by **8.30am** at the latest as we will be walking to Capenhurst train station to catch the train to Chester. Don't forget a packed lunch is needed in a named, disposable bag. School uniform should be worn and please bring a raincoat in case of bad weather. We will return to Capenhurst at **3.24pm**; please collect your child from Capenhurst station at this time. Thank you.

Friends of Capenhurst Fundraising Update

Friends of Capenhurst have organised a few events so far for this term:

- Fri 11th November - Cake sale
- Fri 9th December - Secret Santa for KS1
- Friday 16th December - Secret Santa for KS2
- Tuesday 20th December - Christmas Fayre following the Carol Service

There will be a meeting this term to discuss these and other forthcoming events, date to be confirmed and will be published in next week's newsletter.

Carol Service

We will be holding our Carol Service on Tuesday 20th December at Holy Trinity church, starting at 6pm. Space is limited in church so this is for KS2 pupils and families as the infants will be performing a nativity (dates to be arranged). There will be a small Christmas Fayre afterwards back at school from 6.30pm to which everyone is invited.

Data Collection Sheets

Data collection sheets and Use of Image consent forms have been sent home. If you have not yet returned your form, please do so as soon as possible. It is important that our records are kept up to date and information is updated where necessary, particularly where contact numbers may have changed. This year, the Council has also asked us to collect details of your child's country of birth and nationality so please add this information on the relevant section of the form; this has not been requested previously, so no data is currently held. Please sign and return the forms even if no changes are required. Thank you.

ICT News

ICT Acceptable Use Policy Agreements were sent home recently. Please take the time to read through the agreement with your child to ensure that he/she understands what is expected of them. Please sign the form with your child and return to school by **Wednesday 12th October**. Thank you.

In conjunction with Cheshire Police we will be running an e-safety information meeting for parents and pupils on **Thursday 24th November** straight after school. More information will follow nearer the time, but please put the date in your diary for what promises to be an informative and useful session.

West Cheshire Foodbank

We will continue to support the West Cheshire Foodbank this year. This week the Foodbank is particularly in need of **porridge oats, canned mixed vegetables and biscuits**. 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

Don't forget that you are all welcome to join us on Tuesdays from 3.10pm til 3.30pm, weather permitting, to take part in the Golden Mile.

100 Club

The first 100 club draw will take place at sharing assembly this week. If you would like to join the 100 club but don't currently play, there are numbers available. Please see Mr Brocklehurst if you would like to join.

Letters that were sent home last week:

- Online Safety
- Behaviour Policy Review
- Defibrillator