



Happy New Year!

Welcome back to the first week of our new term. I hope that you all had a lovely time over the Christmas break. Thank you to everyone for their cards and gifts; the staff and I shall enjoy munching our way through the various biscuits and chocolates that you bought for us to share. Please see below dates and events this term.

Kind regards, Mrs Green

Christmas Fundraising

Thank you for your support of our fundraising efforts during December. At the two nativity performances, the raffle, baubles and reindeer food raised £191.75. At the Christmas Fayre we raised a total of £257.85 through the raffle, tombolas, baubles, reindeer food and refreshments. Thanks to Friends of Capenhurst for their help at these events.

We also raised a total of £138.05 for our Christmas charity, the Little Faces School, from the collections at the nativities, the sale of Christmas cards and the staff collection in lieu of giving Christmas cards.

The collection at the KS2 carol service raised £52.13 for Church.

The sale of the Bags for Life which was sponsored by Capenhurst Nuclear Services and which the children helped to design has so far raised £336 for the school fund. Bags are still available from the school office at £4 each if anyone would like any for friends or family.

Thank you for your continued support of our fundraising efforts.



Dates and events - a few things for the calendar!

- Wednesday 11th January - Ethos group trip to Christchurch Primary School
- Tuesday 17th January - Class 1 & 2 Winter Trip to Hooton Earth Skills Project
- 23rd-27th January - Faith Week
- Wednesday 1st February - Young Voices 2017
- Friday 10th February - Quiz Night
- Half Term - Monday 20th February - Friday 24th February
- Tuesday 28th February - Parents' evening, letters will be sent home soon
- Wednesday 1st February - Parents' evening, letters will be sent home soon
- 22nd-24th March - Conway Residential for Classes 3 & 4, letters will be sent home soon
- Sunday 26th March - Family Service at Holy Trinity at 9.30am
- Spring Break - Monday 3rd April - Friday 14th April
- Monday 17th April - Easter Monday (school closed)
- Friday 21st April - Class Photographs
- Monday 24th & Tuesday 25th April - Bikeability Training for Class 4 children
- Monday 1st May - Bank Holiday (school closed)

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
December:

96.3%

Whole school
attendance for the
year to date is:

96.9%

PE kits

Thank you to those parents who support the wearing of a PE kit for school PE lessons. A reminder that our PE kit consists of:

- White round necked T-shirt
- Black shorts
- Black/navy track suit bottoms (advisable in cold weather)
- Trainers (for outdoor P.E.) Pumps (for indoor P.E.)
- Spare socks/Sports socks (in case others get wet)

Kit should be brought in to school on Monday and kept on your child's peg until Friday. This term most PE lessons for Classes 1 and 2 will take place in the village hall and so the children will need black PE pumps rather than trainers for PE. As some PE lessons for Classes 3 and 4 will take place outside, each child will need warm PE clothing such as joggers and a sweatshirt - preferably plain and in black or blue rather than an array of different colours. They will also need trainers rather than PE pumps. It is advisable that children in Classes 1 and 2 also have warm PE clothing in plain, dark colours as well as trainers in their PE kits should they need to go outside for PE at anytime. Your cooperation and support with the supply and wearing of suitable PE clothing is much appreciated. Football kits are **not** appropriate for PE lessons and should **not** be worn.



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Friends of Capenhurst Fundraising Update

Events for this term:

- Friday 10th February - Quiz night, more details to follow

The next meeting will be after school on Tuesday 17th January; all are welcome to come along. There will be a crèche provided.

Reception 2017 Admissions

If you have a child due to start school in September 2017, the deadline for applications is **15th January 2017**. Please apply online by following the link to School Admissions at www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk.

Last year the Council received a high volume of late applications which resulted in many siblings attending different schools and therefore created a high number of appeals.

Builders Academy Lego Club (Years 2-6)

Unfortunately, the Lego club that was due to start tomorrow has had to be cancelled as we did not have the minimum required number of children signed up. We apologise to those children who were looking forward to this club, as it proved very popular in the summer term last year. All monies paid will be returned this week so please check your child's book bag.

West Cheshire Foodbank

Thank you for your recent donations of items for the West Cheshire Foodbank. This week the Foodbank is particularly in need of **tinned meat and tinned vegetables**.



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. Thank you for your continued support.

Before & After School Provision

Starting this month, Capenhurst Village Preschool will be offering before and after school care for children at our primary school. They will be running a breakfast club before school from 8am and will also offer after school care until 6pm. We hope that this will be of assistance to those parents who have enquired about such provision in the past. We would be grateful if you would spread the word to families and friends with preschool aged children who may be interested in applying to our school for a reception place in September. For further information and to register your interest, please contact Jo Maton on 07976 455562.

Dinner & Snack Money

Due to staff illness at the end of last term, outstanding dinner/snack money reminders were not sent home before the Christmas holidays. Please look out for them this Friday as some children have quite considerable amounts outstanding.

Going forward, it would be helpful if you could pay for your child's dinners and snacks in advance, at the start of the week/month/term. Many of our families already do this and for that we are grateful. It reduces time spent chasing payments and aids the smooth running of the office.

A school dinner costs £2.20/day (£11/week) for children in KS2. A piece of toast/half a bagel is 30p and a bacon butty (Fridays only) is 60p.

Money/cheques should be sent into school with your child in a named envelope labelled 'School dinners/snacks'. The children pass any payments through to the office in a plastic wallet during registration. If paying by cheque, cheques should be made payable to 'CWAC'.

Many thanks for your understanding and support.

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.

**★ HAPPY ★
 BIRTHDAY!**

Birthday Celebrations

The following children will celebrate a birthday this week:

Jack Osborne

Curtis Cottrell

Lexi Edwards

Joe Powell