



CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

18th April 2017



Welcome back! I hope everyone enjoyed a restful Easter break. The summer term looks to be full of many different and exciting activities. There are also national assessments for pupils in years six and two during May - please speak with your child's teacher if you have any questions about these assessments.

Kind regards,
Mrs Green

Celebrations!

Stars of the week

Class 1: Jack Osborne for a calm and focussed week.

Class 2: Lucy Galloway for all her effort in phonics, writing and maths.

Class 3: Katherine Shaw for improved confidence in her maths work.

Class 4: Alex Charalambides for an excellent attitude towards all of his work as well as conquering many of his fears on our recent residential trip.

The Infant cup was awarded to Curtis Cottrell for being a good friend. The Junior cup was awarded to Evan Bartlett for his consistently positive attitude to all aspects of school.

The Easter lunch golden ticket prizes were won by Ethan Henson, Maddie Bradley, Cobey Jones and Ewan McGinn. Well done to everyone who shared their news and achievements in assembly before the Spring Break holidays.



Dates and events - a few things for the calendar!

Friday 21st April - Class Photographs

Tuesday 25th April - Trip to Hooton Earth Skills Project (Class 1 & 2)

Wednesday 26th April - Class 1 Family Lunch

Monday 1st May - Bank Holiday (school closed)

Week commencing Monday 8th May - SATs Week - no absences will be authorised during this week

Wednesday 17th May - Class 3 Family Lunch

Tuesday 23rd May - Class 3 Trip to Chester Dewa Roman Experience

Thursday 25th May - Class 4 Bikeability (please note change of date)

Friday 26th May - Class 4 Bikeability (please note change of date)

Half Term - Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June

14th - 15th June - Beeston Residential for Class 2

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 March:

94.8%

Whole school attendance for the year to date is:

96.3%

Red Nose Day 2017



Thank you all for supporting our Red Nose Day fundraising at the end of last term. The children took part in our sponsored walk and completed the Golden Mile around the playground, whilst wearing red for the day. Many of you sent your child's sponsor money into school before the holidays and we have already raised £305.50!! Please return any outstanding sponsor forms and money by this Friday (21st April) so that we can pass it on to Comic Relief. Thank you again for your support.

Premier Sport After-School Clubs - Summer Term

Registration forms for this term's Premier Sport after-school clubs were sent home before the holidays. The sessions start this Thursday (20th April) for Classes 1 & 2 and on Monday 24th April for Classes 3 & 4. There are still spaces in both clubs if your child would like to take part but has not yet signed up. Please return the registration form along with payment by this Thursday.

If your junior child attended last term's gymnastics club on Mondays after school, they are entitled to a £2.50 discount this term due to the cancelled session on 20/03/17. Field Games for these children in Classes 3 & 4 will therefore be £20 (for 9 weeks). If your child did not attend gymnastics but would like to take part in the summer term after-school club, the fees will be as per the registration form. Please check with Mrs Auld if you are unsure.

There was also a cancelled session for Class 1 & 2 gymnastics earlier in the term (12/01/17), however, the £2.50 refund was credited to your child's snack account at the time. If further clarification is required, please pop into the office to speak to Mrs Auld. Cheques should be made payable to 'CWAC'.



Friends of Capenhurst

Forthcoming Events:

- Monday 15th May - Sponsored Spell to raise money for Clic Sargent (more details to follow)
- Friday 23rd June - Race Night
- Monday 26th June - Stalls and Afternoon Tea following Sports Day
- Thursday 13th July - Starlight Clothing Collection

Children's 100 Club Winners

Thank you to Mr Brocklehurst for organising the children's 100 club draw before the holidays. The winners were delighted with their Easter Eggs!

Supreme Court Ruling - Term Time Holidays

You will no doubt be aware of the recent news coverage concerning term time holidays. In light of the judgment by the Supreme Court, Cheshire West & Chester Council has resumed their policy on term time holidays. The Court acknowledges that there are sound policy reasons for not allowing term time holidays and that ultimately the legal position remains as it was. Unless there are exceptional circumstances, a term time holiday is contrary to s.444(1) of the Education Act 1996 and a Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN) can be issued accordingly. The summary, which can be found here <https://www.supremecourt.uk/cases/docs/uksc-2016-0155-press-summary.pdf> gives a good overview of what the arguments were and the view the Court has taken.

Cheshire West & Chester Council will now be resuming the issuing of FPN's for any unauthorised absence taken from the **beginning of this new summer term**. Please be mindful of this when requesting or booking holidays during term time.

Little Linguists

Junior girls (aged 7-10) are invited to take part in a morning of language based activities at The Queen's School on Saturday 13th May from 9.30am to 12.30pm. They will have the opportunity to meet a Chinese dragon, experience the magic of the lion dance, enjoy Salsa dancing, as well as taking part in a host of international art and craft activities. The morning will focus on Chinese, French and Spanish. There is no charge for this event, however you will need to book your daughter's place in advance online at www.thequeensschool.co.uk or by calling Jane Taylor on 01244 312078.

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 potatoes, instant pasta and toiletries**. 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.



Active Kids 2017

If you shop at Sainsbury's, please collect the Active Kids vouchers for us! There are two more weeks to collect the vouchers when you shop; the scheme runs until 2nd May. Thank you!

40 Day, 40 Item Challenge

Thank you for joining in with our 40 day, 40 item challenge. We are in the process of arranging for the donated goods to be collected by Claire House Hospice for sale in their charity shops.



Birthday Celebrations

The following children will celebrate a birthday this week:

Daisy Dowdeswell

Amberley Orriss

Letters that were sent home in the week before the holidays:

- Beeston Residential - Class 2