



CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

24th April 2023

*“For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.” Jeremiah 29:11*  
*Christian Value for this half term - Hope*



A busy newsletter this week with lots of information for you to read and digest. The new term has started well and we are looking forward to this continuing over the remaining weeks.

A big CONGRATULATIONS to our Y3/4 children who represented us very well at last week's sports festival. They equipped themselves well, listened carefully and worked well as teams in the football, archery and boccia. A big THANK YOU to Mr Hartley and Mrs Arkell for their time organising and supporting the children before and at the event. I hope the parents who attended were proud of their child.

Thank you, Mrs Green

## Celebrations!

### **Stars of the week**

C1 – Blair for a really great return after the holidays and a great focus in our maths work.

C2 – Jaxon for super work and concentration especially with Mrs Garrett.

C3 – Nora for demonstrating a positive attitude towards all aspects of school after the Easter break and for working hard on her informative text about the blue whale.

C4 – Ethan H for his continued enthusiasm for maths and working very hard towards his SATs.

**Infant cup** - Theodore for putting a super effort into all his work.

**Junior cup** - Beth for her resilient nature and ability to focus and be a helping hand for others - both socially and academically.

### **Star Writers**

Rec - Melissa      Y1 - Lucia      Y2 - Charlotte

Y3 - Melia      Y4 - Sophia K      Y5 - Mason      Y6 - Isla

Cheshire Phoenix tickets - Fraya F for becoming a much more confident mathematician.

The winning house was EARTH! Congratulations to everyone in Earth for their teamwork in earning the most house points during last week.



## Dates and events - a few things for the calendar!

**W/C Monday 24th April - After school clubs start again this week**

**Wednesday 26th April - Reception Family Lunch**

**Thursday 27th April - Class 1 farm visit in the morning**

**Monday 1st May - School closed - May Day bank holiday**

Thursday 4th May - Class 2 farm visit in the morning

**Friday 5th May - Coronation Lunch - please complete form in ParentMail by Wednesday 26th April**

Monday 8th May - School closed - additional bank holiday for the King's Coronation

**Tuesday 9th - Friday 12th May - KS2 SATS Week — NO HOLIDAYS WILL BE APPROVED DURING THIS WEEK!**

Tuesday 16th May - Class 3 farm visit in the morning

Tuesday 23rd May - Class 4 farm visit in the morning

Friday 26th May - School closed - INSET Day

Monday 29th May - Friday 2nd June - School closed for half term break

Monday 5th June - School closed - INSET Day

Thursday 15th - Friday 16th June - Class 2 Burwardsley residential

Thursday 15th June - Class 1 farm visit in the morning

Thursday 22nd June - Class 2 farm visit in the morning

Monday 26th June - Worship on Tour

Thursday 29th June - Class 3 farm visit in the morning

Thursday 6th July - Class 4 farm visit in the morning

Friday 7th July - Small schools athletics morning at Bishop Wilson Primary School

Monday 10th July - KS2 Play; performances at 1pm and 6pm

**Tuesday 11th July - Year 6 Leavers' Service at Chester Cathedral (pupils and staff only)**

Friday 14th July - Class 4 activity day at the scout hut

**Wednesday 19th July - Leavers' Service at Holy Trinity Church at 11am (Year 6 parents welcome)**

**Wednesday 19th July - Leavers' Lunch (Year 6 parents welcome)**

Friday 21st July - School Closes for the Summer Holidays at 1.30pm

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.

In worship this week...

...we have been focusing on our hopes, dreams and plans for the future. The children had some very considered thoughts along with some impressive plans for how to achieve their hopes. One child plans 'to make their mark on the world' and I believe that this, along with the plans of others, to be wholly achievable. In our story on Monday, we heard how sometimes God's plan for us may be different to ours and that Christians believe that if they ask God, he will show them His plans for them. For now, I encourage each child to continue to have hopes and dreams and that their dreams become real. *'For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.'* Jeremiah 29:11

Coronation Lunch - Friday 5th May

We will be celebrating the King's Coronation during the first week of May and sharing a special themed lunch together on Friday 5th May. Please see ParentMail for further details and ensure that you complete the form in ParentMail by Wednesday 26th April to let us know your child's lunch preferences so that Helen can cater accordingly. Thank you.

Snack Price Increase—Monday 17th April

Due to increased food costs, with effect from Monday 17th April, our Friday bacon butty will now cost **85p**. The cost of a slice of toast will be **35p** and half a bagel will also be **35p**.

School Dinner Price Increase—Monday 5th June

Edsential have also advised that the cost of a school meal will be increasing in the near future. From Monday 5th June, a school meal will cost **£2.75** for children in Years 3—6. If you think your child may be eligible for a free school meal, further information and an application form can be found at:

<https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/education-and-learning/free-school-meals>

Book Donations

To all the schools who were kind enough to host a book donation point, I wanted to say a massive thank you and provide information regarding the destination of the books.

More than 1500 books were collected; many more than I expected!! These books were boxed and passed onto the Literacy Trust. Some of the books will go on to stock a selection of four little libraries dotted around cemeteries in Manchester. The rest will go on to stock larger libraries through Read-Manchester within the most deprived areas of the city allowing children better access to books. Helen Beasley, an arranger of Read Manchester, is hoping to have 100 libraries across Manchester by the end of the year. Manchester has one of the lowest literary rates in the UK, so book donations are crucial to enabling children in the poorer areas access to literature to bridge the gaps. Once again, thank you all so much for the donations! Erin

Class 1 Farm Visit - Thursday 27th April

A reminder that Class 1 children should wear their PE kit on Thursday 27th April for their visit to the farm. Please make sure your child has plenty of warm layers. Please bring wellies (ideally) or old trainers to change into. A spare pair of socks would be a good idea in case they get wet. Don't forget a **coat**, (and a hat, scarf and gloves if the forecast is due to be cold).

Selfless Shelves supporting the West Cheshire Foodbank - **All in, bring a tin!**

We think that Capenhurst is a welcoming community that includes everyone irrespective of race, gender or religion. The 'Selfless Shelves' is a project where children can earn a token as a reward for a good deed in school. This token can then be exchanged for a food item from the 'Selfless Shelves' which can then be placed in the Foodbank. Everyone is encouraged to bring items for the shelves - the children see this as a 'Circle of Kindness'. The Foodbank will then use these items to support local families struggling to provide food for themselves.

We will continue to support the West Cheshire Foodbank in our traditional way and food items can be brought in and placed on the 'Selfless Shelves' or directly into the collection box. This week, the Foodbank is particularly in need of **biscuits, tinned veg, tinned potatoes, UHT juice and cuppa soups**.

Friends of CapenhurstFacebook 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.

Bonus Ball

The bonus ball on Saturday 22nd April was number 46! Mrs Osborne will confirm the winner on Facebook.

Coronation Colouring Competition & Picnic on the Green

Capenhurst & Ledsham Parish Council & Urenco are running a colouring competition to celebrate the King's coronation. Each child has been given a colouring in sheet today. Entries should be returned by the morning of Thursday 4th May. There will be a prize for the best infant entry and the best junior entry.

The parish council is also holding a Picnic on the Green on Sunday 7th May at 1pm, weather permitting. They hope to have a quiz, a tug of war, a face painter, craft stall. Homemade cake competition and a tuck shop. You are all invited!

Birthday Celebrations

The following children celebrate a birthday this week: (24th - 30th Apr)

Sophie O

Alfie E

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