



CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

30th October 2023

'This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it' Psalm 118:24

Christian Value - Celebration



I hope that everyone had a good half term and have taken time to catch up with family and friends. We said 'goodbye' to Mrs Haines during the last week of half term as she set off on her next adventure in life to spend time with her family. She will be missed by children and staff alike and we thank her for all that she did for us whilst at Capenhurst.

This week is Parents' Evening and hopefully everyone will be able to make their appointment.

As usual, if you have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to raise them at school - it is easiest to send them via email to contact@capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk

Mrs Green

Celebrations!

On the last day before the half term break we enjoyed our first whole school outing of the year with a trip to the Lady Lever Art Gallery. The children enjoyed looking at the different artefacts as well as finding out about the Leverhulme family who created the gallery as a place to share their vast art collection. As always, we received many positive comments about the children's behaviour and conduct during their time at the gallery and it was a pleasure to spend the day with them.

Our next whole school trip will be to the pantomime at the end of this half term!



Queries outside of school hours

There are times when questions arise outside of school hours. If you have a query, please contact school by email at contact@capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk and you will likely receive a response before school the following morning. Emails sent to our admin@ email address are not monitored outside of school hours. Similarly, posts on our Friends of Capenhurst Facebook page are not regularly checked as access to Facebook is not always possible at school; primarily our Facebook page is for PTA fundraising. Thank you.

Dates and events - a few things for the calendar!

Tuesday 31st Oct, 1pm onwards - Flu vaccination for all pupils (nasal spray)

Tuesday 31st Oct - High school application deadline for Year 6 children (see overleaf)

Wednesday 1st Nov - Parent governor nominations close at 12 noon

Weds 1st and Thurs 2nd Nov - Parents' Evenings

Thursday 9th Nov - Year 6 Big Maths at The Whitby High School - minibus leaves Capenhurst at 8.45am

Thursday 9th Nov - Class 1 Farm Visit

Friday 10th Nov - Football & Netball Tournament at St Oswald's for Y5/6 team (afternoon only)

Thursday 16th Nov - Class 2 Farm Visit

Tuesday 21st Nov - Science workshop for Class 4, sponsored by Urenco

Thursday 23rd Nov - Class 3 Farm Visit

Thursday 30th Nov - Class 4 Farm Visit

Friday 8th Dec - Secret Santa - Friends of Capenhurst event; further details to follow

Friday 8th Dec - All clubs now finished for the term; will resume in January

Tuesday 12th Dec - Final swimming lesson for children in Class 4

Tuesday 12th Dec - KS2 Carol Service (details will be sent home in due course)

Wednesday 13th Dec - Infant nativity performances at 1.30pm and 6pm (details will be sent home in due course)

Thursday 14th Dec - Christmas Lunch

Friday 15th Dec - Whole school Panto trip to the Floral Pavilion

Friday 15th Dec - School breaks up for Christmas at **1.30pm (or as soon as we return from the panto) for ALL pupils**

Tuesday 2nd January - INSET day (school closed for pupils)

Wednesday 3rd Jan - School reopens for pupils for the Spring Term

Tuesday 9th Jan - Swimming starts for children in Class 3

Tuesday 6th Feb - Young Voices

Mon 19th - Fri 23rd Feb - School closed for half term break

Wed 6th - Fri 8th March - Conway Centre residential for Classes 3 & 4

Thursday 28th March - INSET day (school closed for pupils)

Fri 29th March - Fri 12th April - School closed for Easter holidays

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.



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In worship this week...

...we have started to think about the value of celebration by looking at ourselves and celebrating our achievements so far. We also looked at others and how their faith in themselves and their determination meant that they achieved the goals they set themselves. Those goals could be winning an award in recognition of their hard work or a commendation for making a difference. This led to us thinking about the small things that can often make the biggest difference. Where could your small gesture of kindness or support lead today?

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Parent Governor Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a parent governor on our Board of Governors and would welcome any interest from parents who feel that they would like to join us. Details were sent home via ParentMail on 13th October. Interested parties are asked to return their completed nomination form to the school office by **12 noon on Wednesday 1st November**.

Applying for school places

Parents with children in Year 6 and pre-school children due to start school in September 2024 are reminded that you are now able to apply for Year 7 and reception places online via the Council's website at www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/admissions

High school admissions

The deadline for high school applications is **tomorrow, Tuesday 31st October 2023**. If you are applying for a high school place at **Bishops Blue Coat High School**, you will also need to complete a supplementary application form.

Primary admissions

For parents with children due to start primary school in September 2024, the closing date for admissions is **Monday 15th January 2024**.

We will be holding our final session for prospective reception 2024 families to view school and would welcome your help in sharing this information with friends and family where appropriate. The final session will be held on Wednesday 1st November at 9.30am

Appointments should be made in advance by emailing admin@capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk or by phoning Mrs Auld in the school office on 0151 832 3750. Thank you.

Uniform & PE Kit

A reminder that PE kit (on Mondays and Fridays) is a round-necked **plain white or plain red** t-shirt (school logo optional). If for whatever reason, your child does not yet have a plain white or red t-shirt, their plain white polo shirt, with joggers, is preferable to a 'non-uniform' t-shirt. Mondays and Fridays are not non-uniform days. We are proud of our school uniform and would appreciate your help in ensuring your child is kitted out correctly.

A full list of our school uniform can be found on our website at <https://www.capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk/page/school-uniform/1943> Thank you for your support.

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'. **We encourage families to help out over the next few days by bringing in things for the Selfless Shelves. All in, bring a tin!**

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. The Foodbank is particularly in need of **UHT juice, custard, tinned veg, jams and spreads and tinned meats**.



Friends of Capenhurst

Facebook 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.

Twitter

Follow us on Twitter for class news and updates

@CapenhurstCEPS



Birthday Celebrations

The following children celebrate a birthday this week or during the half term break:
(30th Oct - 5th Nov)

Olivia

