



13th November 2017



This Friday we are joining in with the BBC Children in Need appeal; we hope everyone will be able to join in with the various activities that the Ethos Group have planned so that we can continue to give generously to support the work of the groups supported by Children in Need.

As usual, if you have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to raise them at school.

Mrs Green



### Celebrations!

Stars of the week

Class 1: Alfie Austin for increased independence.

Class 2: Frankie Smith for making a great start to life at Capenhurst.

Class 3: Charlie Smith for making a great start to life at Capenhurst.

The Infant cup was awarded to Francesca Sapio for her positive attitude to school and being a good friend to everyone. The Junior cup was awarded to Mia Percival for fantastic all-round effort and for being a great role model.



Maths Class of the week: Class 1

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



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

Thursday 30th November - Ethos Group trip to St Oswald's for joint worship

Friday 8th December - Reception trip to the Broomheath Plantation; details will follow in due course

**Tuesday 12th December - Nativity Performance at 1.30pm; further details to follow**

**Wednesday 13th December - Nativity Performance at 6pm; further details to follow**

**Thursday 14th December - Learn Together Morning making Christingles**

Thursday 14th December - Christingle Service at Holy Trinity

Saturday 16th December - Carols on the Green

Tuesday 19th December - Whole school panto trip to see Peter Pan at the Floral Pavilion

Wednesday 20th December - KS2 Carol Service at 6pm, followed by Christmas Fayre at school

Thursday 21st December - School breaks up for Christmas at **2pm**

Monday 8th January - Return to school for the Spring Term

Tuesday 23rd January - Young Voices concert for KS2 Choir children

Monday 5th February - Life Education Bus

Monday 19th Feb - Friday 23rd Feb - Half Term Week

21st - 23rd March - Conway residential trip for KS2 children

Thursday 29th March - School closes at 3.10pm for Easter holidays and Spring Break

Monday 16th April - Return to school for the Summer Term

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 November (to date):

**93.2%**

Whole school attendance for the year to date is:

**97.1%**

Last week's best attendees:

**Class 3**

### Reception Photo

Today we were visited by the photographer from the local paper who took this year's reception class photo. The photo will feature with other local schools, in the Ellesmere Port / South Wirral Standard on Thursday 30th November.

### Children in Need - 17th November

The Ethos Group have organised three ways to raise funds for this worthy cause:

- £1 to wear spots to school on Friday (as many or as few as you like)
- Small Change Trail (Please send in your small change on Friday - infants and juniors will have a trail each and aim to raise more money than each other by making a trail from coins)
- Cake decorating in school ready for a cake sale at the end of sharing assembly



### Christmas Shoe Boxes



real people making a real difference

If you would like to fill a shoe box for the Christmas appeal (leaflets were sent home before the half term break), please send them in to school this week. Further information can be found on their website: [www.teams4u.com](http://www.teams4u.com)  
Thank you for your support.



## Friends of Capenhurst

### **Forthcoming Events:**

- 5th December - next FoC meeting after school; a crèche is provided
- 8th December - KS2 Secret Santa
- 15th December - KS1 Secret Santa
- 15th December - Christmas jumper day (own clothes day) in exchange for donations for chocolate / bottles for the tombola
- 20th December - Christmas Fayre following KS2 Carol Service

### Starlight Clothing Collection

Thank you for your clothing donations for Starlight. We collected 100kg of unwanted clothes and therefore raised £30 for school and £10 for the Starlight charity. Another collection will be organised for later in the school year.

### Facebook Page

Just a reminder, and for our new families, that Friends of Capenhurst has a Facebook page. Please search for us (we are a closed group for current parents only) under '**Friends of Capenhurst School (PTA)**' to keep up to date with events.

### Christmas Fayre

We will be holding a Christmas Fayre after the KS2 Carol Service on 20th December. There will be the usual stalls and refreshments, but if anyone has ideas for additional stalls, please send them into school. Please let us know if you are able to help on a stall.

### Recent Expenditure

This term, Friends of Capenhurst have purchased new waterproof clothing for our Reception class children to encourage free-flow play whatever the weather. We have also contributed towards new concertina screens which will be used in Class 4 so that smaller groups of children can use the room at the same time. As in previous years, Friends of Capenhurst have covered the cost of the coach for the whole school panto trip, as well as subsidising the ticket price to keep the cost to families as low as possible.

## Head Lice

Just a reminder to check your child's hair regularly for head lice and treat accordingly. Thank you.

## West Cheshire Foodbank

We are continuing to support the West Cheshire Foodbank this year. This week the Foodbank is particularly in need of **instant mash, tinned custard, jams/spreads, long life juice and UHT milk**. 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.



## Applying for Reception school places for 2018

Parents with children who are due to start school next September should apply online for reception places at the Council's website:

[www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/admissions)

**The deadline for primary school applications is January 15th 2018.**

The deadline for high school applications has now passed.

## Capenhurst & Ledsham Community Group

The community group is holding a Christmas Market in the village hall on Saturday 25th November from 10am-1pm. All of the money raised by the community group is split equally between school, the church, the chapel and the village hall, and as such, the events are run jointly. We are looking for volunteers to help serve the refreshments - 2 people per hour, 6 in total. Thanks to Mrs Henson and Mrs Osborne for volunteering; we need four more volunteers to help out. Please let Mrs Henson know if you are able to help. Thank you.

## Old £1 Coins

Please do not send old £1 coins into school to pay for dinners, snacks or other items. They will now be returned to you and alternative payment requested. Thank you.

## Twitter

Follow us on Twitter **@CapenhurstCEPS** for class news and updates!

## Letters that were sent home last week:

- Craft Club (Classes 1 & 2)
- Carols on the Green
- Young Voices
- Panto Trip