



CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

8th January 2018



Happy New Year! I hope that everyone had a restful Christmas break and enjoyed time with family and friends. Thank you for our cards and gifts, they are much appreciated and the foodie ones will keep us going this term.

There are lots of activities planned for the Spring term so please keep an eye on the dates section below and look out for letters in bags, text reminders, Facebook prompts and Twitter posts.

Mrs Green

### Fundraising Celebrations!

Thank you for your support of our fundraising efforts during December. At the two nativity performances, the raffle and the sweet stall raised £142.05. At the Christmas Fayre we raised a total of £250.53 through the raffle, tombolas, biscuit decorating and refreshments. Thanks to Friends of Capenhurst for their help at these events.

We also raised a total of £161.79 for our Christmas charity, the Young Oncology Unit Activity Fund at The Christie Hospital, from the collections at the nativities and the KS2 Carol Service and the staff collection in lieu of giving Christmas cards.

The collection at the KS2 Carol Service also raised £51.70 for Church.

Thank you for your continued support of our fundraising efforts.



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

**Thursday 11th January - Forest School (Classes 1 & 2)**

**Monday 15th January - Deadline to apply for Reception places for children starting school in September 2018**

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

Wednesday 24th January - Class 1 Family Lunch

Wednesday 31st January - Class 2 Family Lunch

Thursday 1st February - Ethos Group trip to Christ Church Primary for joint worship

Monday 5th February - Life Education Bus

Wednesday 7th February - Year 3 & 4 Family Lunch

Wednesday 14th February - Year 5 & 6 Family Lunch

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

Wednesday 7th March - Class 3 trip to the Liverpool Philharmonic

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

Friday 20th April - Class Photos and Leavers' Photos

Monday 28th May - Friday 1st June - Half Term Week

Monday 4th June - School closed - INSET Day

Friday 29th June - School closed - INSET Day

Tuesday 24th July - School closes for the summer holidays at 2pm

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:

94.5%

Whole school  
attendance for the year  
to date is:

96.3%

Last week's best  
attendees:

**Class 3**

### Staffing News

Mrs Arkell will be leaving us on Friday to start her maternity leave. We are all very excited for her and can't wait to find out whether the baby is a girl or a boy! Mrs Delap has joined us today to work alongside Mrs Arkell and to get to know the children better. From next week, Mrs Delap will be teaching RE throughout the school on Mondays and covering Mrs Arkell's timetable on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Thursdays and Fridays in Class 1 will be covered by Mrs Green and Mrs Crimes. Miss Hargreaves will also be returning to school this term to provide SATs booster sessions with our Year 6 children on Tuesday afternoons. We are sure you will join us in welcoming Mrs Delap and Miss Hargreaves to our school and wishing Mrs Arkell all the best.

### Film Club

After school Film Club is due to start again tomorrow (Tuesday 9th January) for children in Class 3, however only six children have signed up and a minimum of eight is required for the club to run. If your child would like to take part, please contact school prior to 9am tomorrow, otherwise we will regrettably have to cancel. Thank you.



## Friends of Capenhurst

### **Forthcoming Events:**

- **Friday 9th February, 4pm - Bingo & Bangers**
- **Thursday 29th March, 2.30pm - Easter Dash!**

### Bonus Ball

The first draw will be this Saturday 13th of January. Our first winner will be announced in next week's newsletter!

### Jam jars

Friends of Capenhurst are collecting empty, clean jars for future events. The jars need to be washed and have their labels removed before sending to school with their lids. Thank you.

## Forest School

Classes 1 & 2 will be taking part in a Forest School session on Thursday morning. A letter was sent home on 12th December listing the four dates we will be taking part in forest school; please check the website if you need another copy. Please send in your contribution of £16 if you have not already done so. Your child should come to school on Thursday suitably dressed for a morning outside in their school jumper, jogging bottoms/leggings, trainers and several pairs of socks! They will also need wellies, a coat, hat and gloves.

## West Cheshire Foodbank

We are continuing to support the West Cheshire Foodbank this year. As a result of generous donations prior to the Christmas break, the Foodbank is quite well stocked at the moment. However, they would be particularly grateful for **toiletries including, shampoo, shower gel and hand wash**. Food items are still most welcome. 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.



## Changes to the Dinner Menu

There will be two changes to the dinner menu this month on Thursday 18th and Friday 19th January. Thursday will be a special American themed menu and Friday will be pasta bake instead of pizza. Please see the menu on the website or on the school noticeboard for further details. A letter with the themed menu will be sent home separately.

## Outstanding Dinner/Snack Money

As Mrs Auld was on jury service at the end of last term, outstanding dinner/snack money notices were not sent home. Please check your child's bag today for details of outstanding payments and arrange to settle any debts as soon as possible. Please ensure that any money sent into the office is in an envelope clearly labelled with your child's name and a brief note of what you are paying for. Thank you.

## 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 next Monday, January 15th 2018.**

Please spread this news to friends and family with pre-school aged children. Thank you.

## Birthday Celebrations

The following children will celebrate a birthday this week:

★ **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** ★

**Curtis Cottrell**

**Lexi Edwards**

**Jack Osborne**

**Joe Powell**

## Premier Sport After School Clubs

Details of Premier Sport after school clubs (gymnastics in the village hall) were sent home before the Christmas break and details are on the school website. To sign up, please return the form with payment (£22.50) by this Friday. Clubs start week commencing 15th January.

## Little Faces School

Please see our website for the most recent update regarding the Little Faces School in Kenya which we support.

## Young Voices - Tuesday 23rd January

Audience tickets and tshirts for Young Voices will be sent home as soon as we receive them; please keep an eye out for them over the next couple of weeks.

Please note that no rucksacks may be taken in to the venue this year. The children should take their meals with them in a disposal carrier bag. Final details will be confirmed in a letter in due course as we receive them.



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