



CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

22nd January 2024

'Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see'
Hebrews 11:1

Christian Value - Faith



Last week it was lovely to see the children enjoy the small amount of snow we had on Tuesday and manage themselves well with the restrictions over access to the playground at various times due to the ice. This week we are hopeful the wind won't cause too much disruption for everyone.

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!

Stars of the week

C1 – Olivia R for some super maths work and developing her perseverance when she doesn't get it right first time.

C2 – Laretta for being such a positive and motivated new addition to Class 2 - what a super start!

C3 – Finley for fantastic RE work, engaging really well with our visitor from the Baha'i faith..

C4 - Alfie E for his enthusiasm for our work on the ancient Egyptians this week.

Infant cup - Vinnie for trying hard to be aware of the other children and developing his patience skills.

Junior cup - Jaxon for truing hard with the presentation of this work and engaging well during reading comprehension.

Chester FC tickets - William for being a tolerant, sensible member of the class.

Phoenix tickets - Oreofe for great participation in the Y6 maths quiz on Tuesday and working well with her team members.

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



Dates and events - a few things for the calendar!

Thursday 25th Jan - Class 2 Farm Visit

Wednesday 31st Jan - Year 1 Family Lunch

Thursday 1st Feb - Class 3 Farm Visit

Tuesday 6th Feb - Young Voices

Wednesday 7th Feb - Year 3 Family Lunch

Thursday 8th Feb - Class 4 Farm Visit

Thursday 15th Feb - Class 1 Farm Visit - please note change of date

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

Wednesday 6th Mar - Year 2 Family Lunch

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

Wednesday 13th Mar - Year 6 Family Lunch

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

Fri 29th Mar - Fri 12th Apr - School closed for Easter holidays

Wednesday 1st May - Year 5 Family Lunch

Mon 13th - Fri 17th May - KS2 SATS Week — NO HOLIDAYS WILL BE APPROVED DURING THIS WEEK!

Wednesday 22nd May - Year 4 Family Lunch

Mon 27th - Fri 31st May - School closed for half term break

Monday 3rd June - INSET day (school closed for pupils)

Monday 8th July - AmaSing Concert at Chester FC stadium (Classes 3 & 4)

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.

Farm Visits

Our class farm visits resume this week with Class 2 taking part on Thursday morning. Your child will need to come to school in their PE kit, ensuring that he/she wears dark jogging bottoms (not shorts), due to the hay and long grass. Your child should wear a pair of trainers to school and bring a pair of wellies (preferable) or old trainers for the morning trip in a separate named bag. Your child will also need their school cardigan/jumper and a warm coat, scarf, hat and gloves. An extra/spare pair of socks would be a good idea to help keep feet warm! **Please can our new families complete the Local Visit Consent Form in ParentMail as a matter of urgency.** Thank you.

In worship this week...

...we have joined our friends from our cluster of schools for a week of shared worship with each school taking a Christian value to explore. Children from KS2 took the value of trust and shared a story to demonstrate what happens when we take a leap of faith and place our trust in someone else. In this story, trust was placed in someone who was part of a different group. Placing our trust and faith in the unknown can be scary but, when it works, it can be reassuring and rewarding. People of faith place their trust and faith in their God - someone known, unseen but always there.

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School Meal Price Increase

We have been advised by Edsential, our school meal provider, that the price of a school dinner will be increasing by 27p from 1st April 2024. As a school, we will try to absorb some of that cost and therefore, the new price we will charge will be **£3.05 per meal from Monday 15th April**, after the Easter holidays. Children in Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 will still qualify for a universal infant free school meal.

Edsential are a non-profit community interest company and the price rise reflects inflationary increases across food and labour. We do appreciate your support of our school kitchen and it is due to our dinner numbers that we are able to continue to provide meals and snacks cooked on site.

If your financial circumstances have changed and you think that your child might be eligible for an income-based free school meal, I would encourage you to apply online with the Council at <https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/education-and-learning/free-school-meals> Eligible children will also receive help towards the costs of school trips and residential.

Swimming Lessons for Class 3

The children in Class 3 enjoyed their first swimming lesson last Tuesday. If you have not yet made payment for this half term, please do so via ParentMail as a matter of urgency. £30 was due on Tuesday 9th January and the remaining £25 on or before Tuesday 27th February. Thank you.

A reminder to arrive at school on time on Tuesday with swim wear underneath school uniform, as we will be leaving school at 9.00am promptly in order to arrive at EPSV on time. Please ensure your child brings underwear and a towel each Tuesday morning, and a snack from home if needed, as they may miss morning school break.

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, instant mash, meat pastes, custard and tinned meats/meat meals.**

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.

Dates for your diary!

Friday 2nd February - Bingo and Banger—letter sent home on 22/01/24. Orders required by Monday 29th January.

Friday 22nd March - Easter Fun Run

Friday 21st June - Quiz Night

Twitter

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Birthday Celebrations

The following children celebrate a birthday this week: (22nd - 28th Jan)



None