



CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

6th September 2021



Welcome to the new school year to familiar families and new families alike.

I hope that everyone had a lovely break over the summer and found time to relax and enjoy time with their families. Thank you to everyone for their support last year, and for all your cards, gifts and messages - all much appreciated. This year things will be more like before Covid and it was lovely to see the whole school family playing together during break times last week. Long may we be able to continue with this.

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

Mrs Green

## The new term!

Thank you to everyone for their patience with the arrangements for drop-off and pick-up. Hopefully the confusion about the end-of-day arrangements has been sorted. All children will be finishing school at **3.10pm** and will be dismissed onto the play-ground to be collected. Please continue to be mindful of everyone's personal space.

Please remember to send your child to school **wearing** their PE kit on **Mondays and Fridays**.

Snacks, drinks and lunchboxes need to be named to avoid any confusion. Please name all items of clothing.

In the classrooms, the children and staff have enjoyed catching up on news and this week sees the start of our full curriculum. There is information about it on the school website ([www.capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk](http://www.capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk)) using the curriculum tab. Each class also has its own page with class information. Further information about homework will be sent in the coming weeks.

## Staffing changes

We have been joined by three new members of staff this September. Mrs Fielding will be our new school bursar as Mrs Bullough left at the end of last term to pursue more flexible working arrangements after a number of years successfully supporting the work at Capenhurst and St Oswald's. She will be sorely missed by both schools.

Miss Barlow is off to university at the end of this month to pursue a degree in Educational Psychology. She has been with us for two years and has shown herself to be a capable and valuable member of the staff; we will all miss her but know that she will be successful in her new venture and wish her all the best. Miss Culshaw has joined the team in class 2, replacing Miss Barlow and the next few weeks will ensure a smooth transition for the children.

Mrs Pantony has joined the team working in class 1 supporting our very busy class of reception children as they start their time at Capenhurst.

Staff, governors and I welcome them to our team and look forward to working with them.

## Celebrations!

Stars of the week: EVERYONE! A good start to the new school year.

From this week, we will be holding our Celebration Worship each Friday in the village hall. For the foreseeable, parents and families will not be able to attend. We will review this decision as time passes and the impact on transmission becomes clearer now that schools have re-opened.

There may also be additional guidance on this type of community event along with others such as parents' evenings and open mornings/afternoons. We will keep you informed about these events over the coming weeks.



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

Monday 6th Sept - Reception children start full-time at school

Tuesday 14th Sept - Swimming lessons start for children in Class 4

Friday 1st Oct - School photos

Thursday 14th October - Whole school flu immunisation

Friday 22nd Oct - INSET day (school closed to pupils)

Monday 25th Oct - Friday 29th Oct - School closed for half term holiday

w/c 1st Nov - Parents' Evenings (arrangements to be confirmed nearer the time)

Friday 10th Dec - Whole school Panto trip to the Floral Pavilion

Friday 17th Dec - School breaks up for Christmas at **1.30pm** for **ALL** pupils

Wednesday 5th Jan - School reopens for the Spring 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.



## 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.

## School lunches

The children have adapted well to the new routine of lunches in the classrooms. If you send a packed lunch from home with food that requires cutlery - yoghurt, salad etc. - please remember to send the cutlery from home. Cutlery is not available in school for children to use with their home packed lunch.

School lunches are available to order in the mornings at a cost of £2.40 for children in Classes 3 and 4. This is to be paid in advance using the ParentMail system. Children in Classes 1 and 2 are eligible for a daily universal free school meal if required. Details of our new menu is attached to this newsletter and was sent home via Parentmail last term.

If your circumstances have changed and you think you might be eligible to apply for a free school meal for your child/ren, please contact Cheshire West & Chester Council on 0300 123 7021 to apply. If your eldest child receives a free school meal and you have a younger child who has just started in our reception class, you will need to apply for that child too. Thank you.

## Premier Sports

Mr Morris will be joining us to teach PE across school on Mondays this year and we welcome him to our team. Details of afterschool clubs will be sent home shortly.

## Swimming Lessons for Class 4

Swimming lessons start for children in Class 4 on Tuesday 14th September. Your child will need to arrive at school on time with their swim wear underneath their 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.

Please ensure that you have completed the online consent form on Parentmail - there are still some forms outstanding. Payment should be made via Parentmail as soon as possible. Thank you.

## West Cheshire Foodbank



We will continue to support the West Cheshire Foodbank this year. Food items are to be brought in and will be gathered in each classroom before being placed in the collection box by a member of staff. This week the Foodbank is particularly in need of **long life fruit juice, tinned meal, small bottles of cordial, instant custard, instant mash, tinned potatoes and bags of sweets/bars of chocolate**. Thank you for your continued support.

## Birthday Celebrations

The following children celebrate a birthday this week:  
(1st to 12th September)



Evie M

Finley F

Harvey C

Ethan L



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