



CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

3rd November 2014



I hope everyone enjoyed a good half term break and are ready for the activities and events this half term. Parents' evening will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week where the teachers will be able to share the progress that your child has made since the start of the new school year.

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

Sharing assembly

Sharing assembly will be held on Friday 7th November in the Village Hall starting at the usual time of 2.40pm. Class 3 will be sharing their news from the first week back in school.

Celebrations!

The last week before half term saw every child remaining on Green; this means that we have had 4 weeks this half term with every child on Green for the entire week. This is pleasing news and the staff and I thank you as parents for your support with our focus on good behaviour and expectations of this for each child.

59 children also received a certificate for remaining on Green for the entire half term - an excellent start to the new school year! Well done!



Dates and events - a few reminders!

Tuesday 4th November - Bikeability for pupils in Class 4; Class 3 pupils will be rehearsing in preparation for the Remembrance event on 11th November

Tuesday 4th November - Parents' Evening

Wednesday 5th November - Bikeability for pupils in Class 4; Family lunch for Class 1

Wednesday 5th November - Parents' Evening

Tuesday 11th November - Remembrance event at Civic Hall with pupils in Class 3 joining pupils from other local schools in a choral performance. A separate letter with details has been sent home.

Friday 14th November - Children in Need day. Children are to come to school dressed as their hero, more details on reverse of this newsletter.

Tuesday 18th November - Choir will be singing at the Community Soup Lunch

Wednesday 19th November - Class photos in school

Wednesday 19th November - Parents' Information Evening. This will focus on the new national curriculum and how it is being delivered at school.

Friday 5th December - Secret Santa for children in Classes 1 and 2

Tuesday 9th December - Afternoon performance of the Infant Nativity in the Village Hall

Wednesday 10th December - Evening performance of the Infant Nativity in the Village Hall with a sweet sale afterwards in school.

Thursday 11th December - Non uniform day with donations of bottles or chocolates for a Christmas Tombola

Friday 12th December - Secret Santa for children in Classes 3 and 4

Monday 15th December - Junior Carol Service at Holy Trinity Church with Christmas fair following back at school

Thursday 18th December - Whole school panto trip. A separate letter has been sent home with details of the cost and slips to be returned.

Friday 19th December - School breaks up for Christmas 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.

Remembrance Poppies

Poppies will be available in school for children to purchase and wear. A suggested donation of at least 50p can be brought to school by any child who wishes to purchase a poppy. Following sharing assembly on Friday 7th November, there will be additional poppy items for sale to raise funds for the Royal British Legion. These include pencils, bookmarks, wristbands with suggested donations of between 50p and £1.



Friends of Capenhurst

Friends of Capenhurst have organised a variety of events in the lead up to Christmas which include the following:

Secret Santa - this is an opportunity for each child to purchase gifts for family and friends at a price of £2 per item and wrap them at school. Contributions of new or unwanted gift items can now be sent into school to put in the collection from which the children make their choices.

Raffles - there will be a raffle for both the Nativity and the Carol Service with tickets available at all performances.

Christmas Fair - following the Carol Service there will be a small fair back at school with a raffle, tombola, refreshments and there may be additional stalls arranged nearer the time.

Children will also be designing images that can be printed into a variety of items such as coasters, canvas shopping bags etc. Further details and order forms will be sent home soon.

If you are able to help with any of these events, please let one of the Friends of Capenhurst know or contact school.

All 'Spare Change' collections are to be sent to school before Friday 7th November ready for counting. Currently Air and Fire are in joint first place!!

Cake sale - Thank you for all your donations of cakes; this event raised over £90.

Further meetings have been scheduled for:

Monday 10th November and Tuesday 2nd December

Children in Need - Friday 14th November 2014

The children on the School Council have decided to invite each child to come to school dressed as their hero for the day. This can be a sporting hero, a literary hero, a family member or a superhero. The choice is up to the children. In return for dressing up, a contribution of at least £1 towards this wonderful charity is requested. The School Council have also decided to hold a 'Bake Off!'. Children are invited to bake small cakes or biscuits and enter them into the competition - there will be a prize. The cakes and biscuits will be judged before being sold after sharing assembly to raise money for Children in Need. It is hoped that everyone in school will be able to join in with these activities on the day.

Letters that have been sent home

The following letters were sent home the week before half term. Please ask in the school office if you have missed one of them or check the school website for a copy.

Parent Governor Result letter

Scholastic book order

Each child brought home a Scholastic book club leaflet before the half term break. If you wish to place an order, then complete the order form and return it to school with the correct money before Friday 14th November. This will ensure that the books will be delivered before the Christmas holidays.

National Curriculum Parents' Guide

There is a useful guide to the new curriculum which has been written specifically for parents. The guide provides a clear outline of the new content, by year group, with some background information about how the curriculum and assessment works. We have put a link to the guide on the school website, under the 'Curriculum Information' tab, entitled 'Parents Guide to New Curriculum (Rising Stars).

E-Newsletters

As part of the school review, a suggestion has been made to trial the use of e-newsletters rather than sending a paper copy home. Please answer the following question and return with any comments that you may have about this idea as soon as possible, thank you.

Child's Name: _____ Class: _____

I am happy to receive e-newsletters - yes/no (delete as applicable) Email address: _____

Comments: _____



Birthday Celebrations

The following children will celebrate a birthday this week:

Cobey Jones

Gracjan Kucharek