



CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

3rd December 2018



The week sees the start of Advent. In school we have a variety of Advent calendars and our Advent wreaths to help the children understand the meaning of Advent. We also follow the traditions of Posada where the Holy Family spend time in the homes of different families as part of their Advent journey. Today they will be at school. If you would like the family to visit your home between now and the end of term, please contact the school office and select a date. Each day the family will be passed on to the next family, at the weekends please make sure you contact the next family and arrange a suitable time to pass on the family to them.

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: Leighton B for excellent improvements and independence in his writing.

Class 2: Max B for an amazing effort with column subtraction.

Class 3: Grace S for her improved literacy skills, in particular her writing.

The Infant cup was awarded to Harriet S for being more confident and having a go at all activities. The Junior cup was awarded to Jake G-C for his improved confidence.

Premier Sports Award: Milly P for always giving 100% in PE, demonstrating excellent communication skills and good defensive tackling in football.

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



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

Monday 10th Dec - Infant Nativity at 1.30pm (Rec, Y1 & Y2 pupils)

### Tuesday 11th Dec - Final swimming lesson for Years 3-6

Tuesday 11th Dec - Infant Nativity at 6pm (Rec, Y1 & Y2 pupils)

**Thursday 13th Dec - Parents/carers are welcome to join us for our Learning Together Morning to make Christingles from 9am-10am**

**Thursday 13th Dec - Christingle Service at Holy Trinity Church at 2pm, meet at school at 1.55pm**

**Friday 14th Dec - Christmas Jumper Day (please see over the page for more info)**

Monday 17th December - Carol Service for KS2 children at Holy Trinity Church at 6pm, followed by Christmas Fayre in school for all.

Wednesday 19th Dec - Whole school panto trip to the Floral Pavilion, New Brighton

Thursday 20th Dec - Christmas Dinner for children and staff - **see menu attached**

Thursday 20th Dec - School breaks up for Christmas at **2pm**

Friday 21st Dec - INSET Day

Monday 7th Jan - School reopens for the Spring Term

Tuesday 15th January - The Life Bus will be visiting school

Tuesday 12th Feb - Young Voices concert at the Manchester Arena for KS2 choir

Monday 18th Feb - Friday 22nd Feb - School closed for half term holiday

**Tuesday 26th Feb - Parents' Evening, 4-6pm**

**Wednesday 27th Feb - Parents' Evening, 3.30pm-5.30pm**

**20th - 21st March - KS2 Conway Centre Residential Trip**

**Monday 1st April - Friday 12th April - School closed for Spring Break**

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:

**95.6%**

Whole school attendance for the year to date is:

**96.4%**

Last week's best attendees:

**Class 1  
& Class  
3**

## West Cheshire Foodbank Advent Challenge



We welcome your on-going support in helping us to donate to the West Cheshire Foodbank. As we approach a special time in our Christian calendar, we remember the love and hope that Jesus Christ brought into our lives. We would like to share this time with those in our community who are less fortunate than ourselves. This year, in each class we will have an advent box which we hope will be filled by our Capenhurst families. Instead of just thinking about receiving, we'd like to encourage the children to think of others in their time of need. We hope you will be able to support us with this advent challenge as best you can.



### Friends of Capenhurst

**Bingo** - a thank you to everyone who came along and supported the Bingo last Friday. It was a busy night and I hope you enjoyed the evening. Thank you to Friends of Capenhurst for organising the event which raised over £230!

### **Forthcoming Events:**

- **Friday 7th December - Table top sale.** Items that you wish to contribute to this sale are to be brought to school on this day only; please do not bring them beforehand as we have no space to store them.
- **Friday 14th December - Secret Santa**
- **Friday 14th December - Christmas Jumper Day.** Please bring donations for the Bottle and Chocolate tombola
- **Monday 17th December - Starlight Clothing Collection**
- **Monday 17th December - Christmas Fayre, see below for details**

### Christmas activities

**Secret Santa** - children will have the opportunity to buy gifts for family and friends. Each gift will cost £2.50. Money is to be brought into school in an envelope with your child's name **and** the names of the people your child is buying for. This activity will **only** take place on Friday 14th December and is open to all children across school. Donations of unwanted, unused items are welcome. Please speak with school staff or a member of Friends of Capenhurst for more information.

**Christmas Jumper Day** - children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper or t-shirt in return for the donation of a bottle of chocolates for the tombola that will take place as part of a small Christmas Fayre on Monday 17th December.

**Christmas Fayre** - there will be a small Christmas Fayre following the KS2 Carol Service on Monday 17th December. All families are invited to join us at school for the Fayre where there will be refreshments, tombolas, raffle and biscuit decorating. We will be back in school after the service from 6.45pm and look forward to seeing many of you at the Fayre.

### 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) under '**Friends of Capenhurst School (PTA)**' to keep up to date with events.

### Learn Together & Christingle Service - Thursday 13th December

During the morning, parents and families are invited to join their children to make Christingle oranges ready for the service in the afternoon. We will be making the oranges from 9-10am and the service starts at 2pm at church. Please meet us at school at 1.55pm, when we will walk to church and you and your children can sit together and enjoy the service as a family. You are welcome to join us for both or either event.

### Panto

Panto consent forms should be returned this week with your £10 contribution towards the ticket, along with your child's lunch preferences. Please return by **Friday 7th December at the latest** so that sufficient sandwich fillings and other lunch items can be ordered to enable Helen to cater accordingly.

### Letters that were sent home last week

- Pantomime Trip
- Nativity Tickets (Rec - Y2)
- Christmas Dinner order form

Extra copies will not be sent home - all letters are available on the website under Parent Information - Letters if you have mislaid your copy.

### Safety Reminder

It is not acceptable to park on the yellow "zig zags" outside school at any time, even when you're in a hurry or running late. Please park safely elsewhere.



### Mid-day Assistant Vacancy

We have an opportunity for a mid-day assistant to join our team. If you are interested, or know of a friend, neighbour or family member who might like to help us at lunchtimes, please contact Mrs Bowman in the school office for further information. Thank you.

### Nativity - The INN-spectors

The children in the infants are working hard perfecting their lines and songs in readiness for next week's Nativity performances.

Please can all **costumes** be brought into school by **Wednesday 5th December** as the dress rehearsal is on Friday this week!

Performances are Monday 10th December at 1.30pm and Tuesday 11th December at 6pm. Children are to return to school at 5.30pm on Tuesday for the evening performance which should finish about 6.40pm. Both performances will take place in the village hall. Tickets will be sent home this week so please check book bags.



### Birthday Celebrations

The following children will celebrate a birthday during this week:

**Ben H**

### After-school clubs

This term's after-school clubs will all finish on Friday 14th December. There will be no after-school clubs during the week commencing Monday 17th December. Details of next term's after-school clubs will be sent home in due course.



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**@CapenhurstCEPS**



# Christmas LUNCH

on:

**Thursday 20th December**



**Roast Turkey & Pigs in Blankets  
Or Quorn Fillet (Vegetarian Option)  
Or Rosemary & Red Onion Sausage  
(Vegan)**

**Served with Roast & Mashed Potatoes  
Fresh Vegetables, Stuffing & Gravy**

**Homemade Festive Biscuit  
Fresh Fruit Platter**

**Juice, Milk or Water**