



CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

# NEWSLETTER

14th October 2024

*'This is the LORD'S doing; It is marvellous in our eyes' Psalm 118:23*

*Christian Value - Awe and Wonder*



It was lovely to enjoy worship across our small family of schools last week and we are looking forward to continuing our work with them over the rest of this year and beyond. Congratulations to the Ten Pin Bowling team on their win at the Panathlon Challenge. Excellent team work and skill shown by all the children. This was also true of the children who took part in the orienteering challenge at Chester Zoo. Farm visits have restarted and the children (and staff) are ready for their trips on the tractor and activities they have planned. Please check the weather and ensure your child is appropriate dressed on each occasion.

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](mailto:contact@capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk). Many thanks, Mrs Green

## Celebrations

### **Stars of the week**

C1 – James B for his all-round effort and perseverance in activities.

C2 – Isla for a really positive attitude to all aspects of school life.

C3 – Harvey C for a brilliant independent diary write, thinking carefully about his punctuation, spelling and paragraphing.

C4 – Melia for some fantastic art work.

**Infant cup** - Jake for being a caring class member who tries to include others in games and activities.

**Junior cup** - Freya for showing resilience over the week and for always following our golden rules.

**Vauxhall FC tickets** - William for excellent reasoning and explanations when working through and solving all maths problems.

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 17th Oct - Class 3 Farm Visit**

**Thursday 17th Oct - Harvest Service in church, followed by Class 4 singing at The Old Rectory**

**Friday 18th Oct - Class 4 Farm Visit**

Thursday 24th Oct - Class 1 Farm Visit

Friday 25th Oct - INSET day. School closed to pupils.

Monday 28th Oct - Friday 1st Nov - School closed for half term holiday

Weds 6th and Thurs 7th Nov - Parents' Evenings (arrangements to be emailed nearer the time)

Thursday 14th Nov - Class 1 Farm Visit

Wednesday 20th Nov - Class 2 Farm Visit

Thursday 28th Nov - Class 3 Farm Visit

**Friday 29th Nov - Flu vaccinations for all pupils (nasal spray). Further details will follow from School Health in due course.**

Thursday 5th Dec - Class 4 Farm Visit

Tuesday 10th Dec - Last swimming lesson for Class 4

Tuesday 10th Dec - KS2 Carol Service at 6pm

Wednesday 11th Dec - Nativity performance at 6pm

Tuesday 17th Dec - Whole school Panto trip to the Floral Pavilion (further details in due course)

Friday 20th Dec - School breaks up for Christmas at **1.30pm** for ALL pupils

Monday 6th Jan - School reopens for pupils 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.

## Applying for high school places

Parents with children in Year 6 are reminded that you are now able to apply for Year 7 high school places online via the Council's website at [Secondary admissions | Cheshire West and Chester Council](https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/secondary-admissions)

The deadline for high school applications is **Thursday 31st October 2024**.

## Class 4 Swimming - 15th October

A reminder that the children in Class 4 need to bring a pair of lightweight (not fluffy or fleecy) pyjamas with them to their swimming lesson on Tuesday this week, as well as their swimwear. Don't forget to pack a towel and underwear as usual!



### In worship this week...

...we are thinking of the bountiful Harvest we enjoy and how best we can share this with others. Many of us are fortunate enough to enjoy enough food to eat and also be able to share with others. Some of us may even grow our own. This weekend, I was clearing my vegetable patches at home and have been able to share some of the crop with friends and family. Thursday is our Harvest Service; a time to be thankful and be in awe and wonder of the world that God has created. It is also a time to think about how we can share some of what we have with others nearby who may not have enough. Your donations to the Harvest Foodbank collection are much appreciated. Thank you.

### Class 3 & Class 4 Farm Visits - Thursday 17th October & Friday 18th October

We resumed our class visits to Church Farm last week for our forest school activities; the dates for each class trip to the farm for the autumn term are on the diary dates overleaf. The local visit consent form that you recently completed on ParentMail covers these trips.

A reminder that Class 3 children should wear their PE kit on Thursday for their visit to the farm, and Class 4 should do so on Friday. Please ensure that dark, plain joggers/leggings are worn (not shorts) due to the long grass. Please bring **wellies** (ideally) or old trainers to change into. Spare socks would be useful in case of wet feet. Please apply insect spray (if required) to your child before school and remember to bring a **coat**, regardless of the weather.

### Nut-free school

Another reminder to all that snacks and packed lunches should be **NUT FREE** as there are members of our school community with nut allergies. Please pay particular attention to cereal bars and avoid pesto, Nutella, peanut butter and other nut butters.

### Cutlery

Please provide your child with a spoon or fork from home if this is required to eat their packed lunch. Thank you.

### Parents' Evenings - 6th & 7th November

Details on how to book a time slot to meet with your child's class teacher for parents' evening were sent home by ParentMail last week.

Please complete the form on ParentMail indicating your availability; forms should be completed by **Friday 18th October** at the latest so that appointments can be sent home before the half term 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 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 **tinned meat, tinned spaghetti, tinned potatoes, instant pot noodles, biscuits and snacks**.



### 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.

### 100 Club

It's that time of year again to kickstart the time honoured tradition of the Capenhurst Primary School 100 club!! For anyone new to the school this involves choosing a number between 1 and 100. You pay £12 to keep the number and we do 12 draws in sharing assembly (about once a month). The prize for each draw is £30. There are various numbers available.

If you would like a number (or more numbers if you already have one) please send an envelope enclosing £12, labelled with your name, contact number and child's name, into school for the attention of Mrs Osborne, or send her a message on the post on the Friends facebook page. This is open to anyone and everyone and you can have as many numbers as you like! Payment in cash is preferred and payment should be sent in before the half term break to secure your number.

### Birthday Celebrations

The following children celebrate a birthday this week: (14th - 20th Oct)

Vinnie



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