



CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

21st October 2024

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

Christian Value - Awe and Wonder



Thank you to everyone for their generous donations for the Harvest Service; these will be passed on to the Foodbank. All families will receive a letter this week updating them about the formation of the new Chester Diocese Learning Trust which school have been involved with as a founding school. The formation of the trust has been formally approved and the letter details the next steps for our school and the other six founding schools.

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.

Many thanks,
Mrs Green

Celebrations

Stars of the week

C1 – Olivia C for her excellent effort in phonics and reading.

C2 – Penny for her excellent work on Floella Benjamin.

C3 – Alice R-J for always demonstrating a readiness to learn and for consistently working hard across the curriculum.

C4 – Orla for a super attitude to learning and particularly increasing confidence with her maths work this week.

Infant cup - Lola for being such a kind and helpful member of the class.

Junior cup - Abigail C for her enthusiasm in helping her buddy and her great contributions to our Harvest Service and singing at the Rectory.

Chester FC tickets - Eddie for making an encouraging start to his new role as a mental health champion.

The joint winning houses were AIR, FIRE and WATER! Congratulations to everyone in Air, Fire and Water for their teamwork in earning the most house points during last week.



Dates and events - a few things for the calendar!

Thursday 24th Oct - Class 1 Farm Visit

Thursday 24th Oct, 3pm - Reading & Phonics meeting for parents/carers of Class 1 & Class 2 children

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 (appointments will be allocated this week)

Tuesday 5th Nov - Second hand clothing collection - please see details sent home with the children; please send clothing donations to school on Monday/Tuesday morning as we have no space to store. Thank you.

Friday 8th Nov - Christmas Shoebox collection—please return shoeboxes before Friday if you would like to participate

Thursday 14th Nov - Class 1 Farm Visit

Wednesday 20th Nov - Class 2 Farm Visit

Wednesday 20th Nov - Year 6 Family Lunch

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.

Wednesday 4th Dec - Year 5 Family Lunch

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](#)

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



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In worship this week...

...we are looking at what makes each of us special. Christians believe that each person is made in the image of God with their own unique characteristics and talents. As we are all unique we are encouraged to celebrate all that makes who we are. Here at Capenhurst, I know that the children and staff work hard to understand each other's uniqueness - sometimes this goes well and at other times it can go wrong. As a Christian community, we teach everyone to accept each other for who they are, offer support where needed and forgiveness when the wrong choice is made.

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Christmas Shoeboxes

Doreen visited us from Teams 4 U to tell us all about the Christmas shoeboxes that T4U deliver to children in Eastern Europe. The children were all given a leaflet to take home explaining how they can get involved. If you would like to fill a shoebox to help those less fortunate, please send it in to school by **Friday 8th November**. Additional leaflets are available from the school office.

Class 1 Farm Visit - Thursday 24th October

Class 1 will be making their first trip to the farm on Thursday for our forest school activities; the dates for each class trip to the farm for the next half term are on the diary dates overleaf. The local visit consent form that you completed on ParentMail covers these trips.

A reminder that Class 1 children should wear their PE kit on Thursday for their visit to the farm. 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.

Reading & Phonics Meeting - Thursday 24th November

Mrs Delap will be hosting a short reading and phonics meeting at 3pm on Thursday for parents/carers of children in Classes 1 & 2. This is an opportunity to find out about the phonics programme that school follows and how you can support your child with reading at home. The meeting will be held in Class 2.

We hope many of you can join us - please complete the form in ParentMail to let us know if you are able to attend.

Parents' Evenings - 6th & 7th November

Parents' Evening appointment times will be sent home this week before the half term break. Please keep an eye on ParentMail for the notification.

Family Lunches

We resume our family lunches after the half term break, with Year 6 on 20th November and Year 5 on 4th December. Details of how to book will be sent home in due course.

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

Last chance to take part in the 100 club! 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 Friday to secure your number.

Birthday Celebrations

The following children celebrate a birthday this week or during the holidays: (21st Oct—3rd Nov)

Amber

Olivia



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