



It was an absolute pleasure to accompany the KS2 children on their residential trip last week. They were all well-behaved, listened carefully at all times and everyone had a go and tried something new. The instructors were blown away by their teamwork and how they willingly, and without asking, helped each other. Well done to everyone and thank you to Mrs Ritson, Mrs Forster, Mr Hartley and Mrs Delap who helped make the trip a success for all the children.

Please ensure your class/leavers' photo orders are returned with payment by Wednesday 27th March.

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

Mrs Green

Sickness

I just wanted to update and reassure you all that following notification of a cluster of children developing the sickness bug, school contacted the Infection Prevention Service for their advice and guidance. The advice was to clean the school using bleach-based products, paying particular attention to all hard surfaces and toilets. It also advised that the task was undertaken once the children had left school at the end of the day. In order to ensure that this task was completed correctly, school contacted our cleaning contractor, to request another member of staff join Derek (our caretaker/cleaner) who arrived and started work as soon as school ended on Friday.

I have also been made aware of comments on Facebook about the bug and the actions taken by school. Just a reminder that social media is not an appropriate forum for raising concerns and complaints about the actions taken by school and its staff. We have always maintained an open-door policy within school that has worked well in the past enabling families and school to work together to the benefit of all children. I would like to feel that this way of working will continue and that parents will bring their concerns to school rather than posting them on Facebook and other social media forums.

Dates and events - a few things for the calendar!

Wednesday 27th March - Cheshire Phoenix basketball session for Class 3

Thursday 28th March - Edsential Classical Music Roadshow in school

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

Monday 15th April - School reopens for the Summer Term

Tuesday 16th April - Creatures & Critters after school club starts—see letter that was sent home to book a place

Wednesday 17th April - Easter Lunch (Roast Turkey)

Friday 19th April - School closed - Good Friday

Monday 21st April - School closed - Easter Monday

Wednesday 24th April - Y3/4 rugby coaching with Warrington Wolves

Monday 6th May - School closed - Bank Holiday

Monday 13th-Friday 17th May - Y6 SATS Week - no absences will be authorised this week. (Y2 will be doing SATS during the month of May so no absences will be authorised during this period).

Wednesday 22nd May - Y3/4 Rugby Festival

Monday 27th May - Friday 31st May - School closed for half term holiday

Monday 3rd June - School closed to pupils - INSET Day

Friday 7th June - Non-uniform day - NSPCC assemblies and workshops, starting with 9-10am session for parents

Tuesday 11th June - Y5/6 Smoke Tent activity with Cheshire Fire Service

Thursday 13th - Friday 14th June - Beeston residential for Year 1 & Year 2 children

Tuesday 18th June - Rec/Y1/Y2 arts trip to the Walker Gallery and the Liverpool Philharmonic

Friday 28th June - School closed to pupils - INSET Day

Tuesday 9th July - Year 6 Leavers' Service at Chester Cathedral (pupils and staff only)

Wednesday 17th July, 6.30-9.30pm - Leavers' Disco at The Whitby Sports and Social Club

Wednesday 24th July - School closes for the summer holidays 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.

Attendance
Whole school
attendance for
March (to date):

90.5%

Whole school
attendance for the
year to date is:

94.8%

Last week's best
attendees:

Class 2

Dinner Menu for Summer Term

The dinner menu for the summer term has been emailed to every family and a copy is also on the school website. Please note that the school dinner on Monday 15th April will be meatballs and spaghetti (not the usual chicken goujons). Also, we will be having roast turkey for our Easter Lunch on Wednesday 17th April (not roast gammon).

Amendments to the menu are listed at the bottom of the menu sheet—usually a result of delayed deliveries following bank holidays, INSET days and school holidays.



Friends of Capenhurst

Forthcoming Events:

Thursday 18th April - Easter Dash at 2.30pm

Thursday 20th June—Starlight Clothing Collection

Children's Easter 100 Club

Mrs Henson will be selling numbers for the Easter 100 Club draw on Friday - numbers are 50p. Please see Mrs Henson on the playground if your child would like to take part.

Bonus Ball

Saturday 23rd March—bonus ball number 27 —congratulations to Mrs Bunting!

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.

Book Club Orders

Your child was given a book club leaflet on World Book Day along with a voucher which can be used for either a selected free book or as a £1 off token. If you would like to place an order, please return the order form with payment and your voucher by Monday 25th March. Thank you.

Village Art Exhibition - Saturday 13th April

The local art club is holding an exhibition from 10am til 4pm in the village hall on Saturday 13th April. If your child would like to submit a piece of art work, please ensure that it is handed into the school office, with their name on the back, by **Thursday 28th March** at the latest. The art work will be displayed on the stage and there is a chance of winning a small prize.

Lego Club

There will be no Lego club today (Monday 25th March) due to a staff meeting. Please collect your child at 3.10pm. Apologies for any inconvenience.

Y3/4 Rugby Coaching with Warrington Wolves

Children in Years 3 and 4 will be taking part in some free rugby training after the spring break holiday. Sessions will take place in school on Wednesday afternoons, for four weeks from 24th April, so it is important for your child to have their PE kit in school all week.

We have also been invited to take part in a rugby festival on Wednesday 22nd May; further details will follow in due course.



Birthday Celebrations

The following children will celebrate a birthday during this week or the holidays:

Lucy G Fletcher S Zac F
Anna F Joe C Gabriella U
 Oliver P

West Cheshire Foodbank

We are continuing to support the Foodbank this year. They would be particularly grateful for **instant custard, UHT fruit juice, UHT milk, tinned potatoes and instant mash**. If you would like to donate items there is a collection box by the back door, or alternatively items can be brought into the school office. Thank you for your continued support.



Letters that were sent home last week:

- Class photos/leavers photos (please return orders and payment by Wednesday 27th March)

Holy Trinity News

Mothers' Sunday 31st March

Family Service at Holy Trinity Church 11.15am. Bring all the family and don't forget your mum!

Baptisms / Christenings

To make a booking call Canon Steve on 01244 880213

Praise and Play

Song time, story, short prayer, a simple craft activity on the theme, play, refreshments and chat. For preschool children with an accompanying adult every Wednesday afternoon in term time. A chance to get out of the house and meet people caring for children of the same age. Canon Steve runs this at All Saints Church, Church Road, Saughall from 2pm till school pick up.



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