



CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

31st March 2025

'The LORD is gracious and righteous; our God is full of compassion.'

Psalm 116:5

Christian Value - Compassion



On Friday, the Friends of Capenhurst have organised an Easter Fun Run for the children. This will take place on the school playground with the infants doing theirs first, followed by the juniors. Parents are welcome to come along and join the fun and the children will be free to leave with you after their run. Thank you to those children who have returned their coin bags. There is a prize for the heaviest bag.

There is no Celebration Worship this week.

Wishing you all a lovely Easter break and hoping for some Spring sunshine to brighten up the days.

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

Staff News

I am pleased to share with you that we have appointed Mrs Fran Davies as our new assistant headteacher. Mrs Davies is an excellent class teacher with strong experience as a school leader as well, but more importantly, she understands our school community and shares our family orientated ethos.

Mrs Davies is very excited to join our school family and will be visiting over the summer term to ensure a smooth transition and handover takes place. I know that you will welcome her into the family of Capenhurst as you have with others before.

We shared this news with the children on Friday.

I was very proud of how all the children conducted themselves in school on Tuesday during a very busy and hectic schedule. All the candidates commented on their maturity, manners and the way in which they were made to feel welcome by the children (and staff of course!).



Dates and events - a few things for the calendar!

Tuesday 1st Apr - Final swimming lesson for Class 3

Thursday 3rd Apr - Class 2 Farm Trip

Friday 4th Apr - Friends of Capenhurst Easter Fun Run and small change collection at 2pm

Monday 7th Apr - Tuesday 22nd Apr - School closed for Spring Break

Wednesday 23rd Apr - School reopens to pupils for the Summer Term

Friday 25th Apr - Fundraising second hand clothing collection (see over for more details)

Friday 25th Apr - Y5/6 tag rugby

Friday 2nd May - Class 4 Fire Safety Talk & Smoke Tent visit from Cheshire Fire Service (rescheduled)

Monday 5th May - School closed (bank holiday)

Wednesday 7th May - Class 1 (reception) Family Lunch

Friday 9th May - Academy Photography - Class Photos and Leavers' Photos

Monday 12th May - Friday 16th May - KS2 SATS Week - NO HOLIDAYS WILL BE APPROVED DURING THIS WEEK!

Monday 26th May - Friday 30th May - School closed for Half Term

Monday 2nd June - INSET Day - School closed to pupils

Monday 9th - Tuesday 10th June - Class 2 Burwardsley residential

Thursday 19th June - Rec & Y6 heights and weights with School Health - further details in due course

Thursday 19th June - Reception vision and hearing screening with School Health - further details in due course

Monday 23rd June - Worship on Tour

Tuesday 1st July - AmaSing at Chester Cathedral

Thursday 10th July - Y6 Leavers' Service at Chester Cathedral

Tuesday 22nd July - Leavers' Service at Holy Trinity, followed by Leavers' Lunch

Wednesday 23rd July - School closes for the summer holidays

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.

Sammys Second Hand Clothing Collection Fundraiser

We have arranged another second hand clothing collection fundraiser; bags were sent home with the children on 21st March, but any bag can be used. If you are thinking of having a sort out over the Easter break, we would welcome your donations of good quality second hand clothing. Clothing donations can be brought to school at home time on Thursday 24th April, or at drop off on the morning of Friday 25th April.



In worship this week...

...we have been thinking about the Easter story and the symbolism associated with the cross. The Easter story is one of sadness and hope. The death of Jesus was a sad event for his family, friends and followers. His resurrection brought hope to everyone that believed and followed him. Christians see the Easter story as confirmation of God's love for them and that people can be shown compassion and forgiveness for past misdeeds, supporting them to reflect on their choices and help them to choose a different path the next time.

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Summer Term After-School Clubs

We will shortly be opening up the bookings for summer term after-school clubs on ParentMail. This term, we trialed gymnastics club for year groups 1-6 in one club and it was a success, so we will be opening up CEPD sports clubs to all age groups on both Mondays and Thursdays in the summer term. Mr Hartley is also excited to offer (soft-tip) darts to our KS2 children on Mondays. Please see below for the summer term club timetable:

Mondays - CEPD athletics with Mrs Kirkham (Rec—Y6); KS2 Darts with Mr Hartley (Y3—Y6)

Tuesdays - Mindfulness with Mrs Delap (Rec—Y2); Craft club with Mrs Hayward (Y3—Y6)

Thursdays - CEPD summer games with Mr Hershaw (Rec—Y6); Minecraft with Mrs Bunting (Y3—Y6)

Class 2 Farm Visit - Thursday 3rd April

The children in Class 2 will be making their next trip to the farm on Thursday for our forest school activities; the dates for each class trip to the farm for this 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 2 children should wear their PE kit on Thursday for their visit to the farm. Please ensure that dark, plain joggers/leggings are worn 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**.

Recycling and packed lunches

Due to changes in government legislation, we will soon need to separate our waste at school with a focus on recycling where we can. Whilst we appreciate that this is a good change and will benefit our environment, the changes come at a monetary cost to school. As a result, we will be asking the children to take home their packed lunch waste, which normally would have been put in the classroom bins. We encourage you to recycle at home and thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

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 **pasta, baked beans, tinned soups and rice.**



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, answer the security questions, and you will be added. The group provides fundraising updates and general school reminders.

Friday 4th April - Easter fun run at 2pm and loose change collection (prize for the heaviest bag of coins!)

Change to the Menu - Wednesday 23rd April

The menu on the day we return to school after the spring break will be tomato and mascarpone pasta or jacket potato with a choice of fillings. There will be no roast dinner due to deliveries.

Term Dates 2025/26

Term dates for 2025/26 have been uploaded on to the school website. A link to the page has been sent home via ParentMail.

Birthday Celebrations

The following children celebrate a birthday this week or will do so during the holidays: (31st March - 22nd April)



Nora

Fletcher

Arla

Paige

X (Twitter)

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