



CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER

2nd November 2015



Welcome back to the second half of the autumn term. This week the teachers are looking forward to meeting you all at parents' evening to discuss how your child has settled into the new term and share their progress so far. Please be patient if there is no-one to let you in as soon as you arrive. If you are unable to make your allocated appointment, please speak with your child's teacher to re-arrange.

Kind regards,
Mrs Green

Sharing Assembly will be held on Friday at 2.40pm as usual in the village hall.

Celebrations!

There were many celebrations last term - fundraising for the outdoor improvements, raising over £700 for Farm Africa as part of our Harvest celebrations and everyone returning to school ready to play and learn together. This half term we will continue to award Star of the Week badges and the cups in sharing assembly as well as stickers and house points throughout the week. We are also hoping to share a little news from the classes as and when appropriate so that you can share what goes on in school and celebrate with us the achievements of all the children.

It is perhaps apt that the value we will be focussing on during collective worship and reflection time in school is that of 'Joy' with the addition of 'Celebrations' we begin to prepare for our various seasonal celebrations and services. I look forward to seeing many of you at these celebrations and services.

Dates and events - a few things for the calendar!

Tuesday 3rd November - Parents' Evening

Wednesday 4th November - Parents' Evening

Thursday 5th November - Bonfire Themed Lunch

Tuesday 10th November - Lego club will start after school

Friday 13th November - Children In Need Pyjama Day

Monday 16th November - Individual photographs

Wednesday 18th November - Class 1 Family Lunch

Thursday 26th November - Choir singing at Cheshire Oaks

Wednesday 2nd December - Class 2 Family Lunch

Tuesday 8th December & Wednesday 9th December - Infant Nativity

Wednesday 16th December - Junior Carol Service followed by Christmas Fair

Thursday 17th December - Whole school panto trip

Friday 18th December - School breaks up for Christmas at **2pm**.

Monday 21st December - Friday 1st January - Christmas Holidays

Monday 4th January - INSET day. School closed to pupils.

Tuesday 5th January - School re-opens for the Spring Term

Tuesday 19th January - Mosque visit for pupils in Y1-6. Further details will follow (**please note change of date**).

Thursday 3rd March - Young Voices Concert at the Phones 4 U Arena in Manchester (for KS2 children in choir).

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 the month of October was:

95.9%

Poppies

This week the Year 6 children will be selling poppies in school. The Royal British Legion have also sent a box of other items that the children may wish to purchase in support of the poppy appeal, including pencils, erasers, wristbands, friendship bracelets and other items. These will be available to buy after sharing assembly; suggested donations range from 50p to £1.

Children In Need

The School Council have voted on this year's Children In Need fundraising activity and they would like to hold a pyjama day on Friday 13th November. Children are asked to bring a £1 donation for this worthy cause and come to school in their PJs - don't forget to bring a teddy!

Photographs

On Monday 16th November the photographer will be in school to take individual and sibling group photographs. Those families with pre-school children who would like a sibling group photograph are to make their way to the village hall before the start of the school day for this to take place. Sibling groups where all children are pupils at school will be taken during the school day as well as individual photographs. Proofs will be sent home later in the week, so please look out for them!



Friends of Capenhurst

There are a few fundraising events planned for this half term; please see below for details:

Thursday 19th November - Clothing collection for Starlight Foundation and Friends of Capenhurst. Bags will be sent home as soon as they arrive in school.

Friday 27th November - Spotty Pig ceramics in school

Friday 4th December - Non-uniform day with contributions of chocolate and bottles for a Christmas Tombola. Contributions of soft drinks, wine or similar would be preferred for this festive tombola, thank you.

Friday 4th December - Secret Santa for pupils in Classes 1 and 2

Friday 11th December - Secret Santa for pupils in Classes 3 and 4

Friday 18th December - Children's '100' club draw during sharing assembly (starting at 1.15pm due to early finish time of 2pm.)

Secret Santa

This is an opportunity for each child to purchase a gift for a friend or relative (maybe more than one), wrap it in school and then place it under the tree at home as a 'surprise'. Each gift will cost £2 and the children will be supported with the selecting and wrapping of the gifts. Donations of new/unused items for this fundraiser would be much appreciated. Items suitable for all ages and gender would be appreciated.

Spotty Pig

A letter with further information will be sent home soon - watch out for it in your child's bag!

Children's '100' club draw

Children will be given the opportunity to buy a ticket (rather than a number) for a draw that will take place during the final sharing assembly of this term. Children can purchase more than one ticket and increase their chances of winning. Each ticket will cost 50p. The prize will be purchased by Friends of Capenhurst.

Young Voices (KS2 Choir)

Please ensure that you return your order form with payment for Young Voices audience tickets and t-shirts by this Friday (6th November). School places one order for tickets and after this date we can not guarantee that seats (if still available) will be together in the same group. To avoid disappointment, please order by Friday 6th November. Thank you.

West Cheshire Foodbank

Thank you for your recent donations of items for the West Cheshire Foodbank. This week the Foodbank is particularly in need of **instant mashed potato, tinned meat and instant coffee**. 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.

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

The leaflets for the Shoebox Appeal were sent home before half term. If you would like to fill a shoebox for Operation Christmas Child we will be collecting them during the week commencing 9th November. Thank you.

Builders' Academy Lego After School Club

For those children who signed up to our new Lego after-school club, Builders' Academy, the first session will be on Tuesday 10th November from 3.15-4.15pm.

Golden Mile

Don't forget that everyone is welcome to join us on a Tuesday afternoon (weather permitting) from 3.10-3.30pm to take part in the Golden Mile. Keep up the good work!

Letters that have been sent home

The following letters were sent home during the week prior to the half term break. Please ask in the school office if you have missed one of them.

- Staffing News - Mrs Jones' retirement
- Show jump competition



Birthday Celebrations

The following children will celebrate a birthday this week:

Stephen Anderson

Cobey Jones