



CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER

30th November 2015



This Friday will be a non-uniform day in exchange for contributions of chocolate and bottles for the Christmas tombola. The staff will be wearing Christmas jumpers and it would be lovely to see the children in theirs if they have one, however please do not buy one specifically for school. This year, we will be supporting the Babygrow Appeal at the Countess of Chester Hospital during our Christmas celebrations with collections at the nativities and the carol service. As always, if you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.
 Kind regards,
 Mrs Green

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

Celebrations!

Stars of the week

Class 1: Skye Massey for joining in more with singing and whole class discussions.

Class 2: Anna Fereday for adding more information to her sentences using conjunctions.

Class 3: Aidan Yates for improved concentration in all lessons and for trying his best.

Class 4: Eleanor Riley for demonstrating a mature attitude towards assessments this week and always trying her best.

The Infant cup was awarded to Joseph Heeley for his knowledge and application of letter sounds when reading and his enthusiasm for reading. The Junior cup was awarded to Chloe Cooper for trying her hardest and always being a cheerful member of the class. Well done to everyone who shared their news and achievements in assembly last week.



Dates and events - a few things for the calendar!

Wednesday 2nd December - Class 2 Family Lunch

Friday 4th December - Christmas Jumper day (contributions for Christmas tombola)

Friday 4th December - Secret Santa for Classes 1 & 2

Tuesday 8th December, 1.30pm - Infant Nativity

Wednesday 9th December, 6pm - Infant Nativity

Friday 11th December - Secret Santa for Classes 3 & 4

Monday 14th December - Family Learning Together morning

Monday 14th December - Christingle Service at Holy Trinity Church, starting at 2pm. Everyone is invited to join the school for this service

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.

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%

Family Learning Together morning

Parents and families are invited to join their children in school on Monday 14th December from 9.00am until 10.15am to learn about the Christingle and to make one with each of their children. The Christingles will then be taken over to church for the service later that day. The service will start at 2pm and everyone is invited to join us.

Starting School in September 2016

The closing date for reception 2016 applications is 15th January 2016. If you have a child due to start school next September, please complete the application form online at www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/admissions or contact the Council on 0300 123 7039 for further assistance. Last year the Council received a high volume of late applications which resulted in many siblings attending different schools and therefore created a high number of appeals.



Friends of Capenhurst

- **Friday 4th December - Non-uniform day/Christmas jumper day**, with contributions of chocolate and bottles for our Christmas Tombola. Contributions of soft drinks, wine or similar would be preferred for this festive tombola, thank you.
- **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 suitable for all ages and gender would be much appreciated and should be brought into school by **Friday 4th December**.
- Thank you for your donations of old clothes and shoes for the **Starlight Clothing Collection**. We collected 171kg which raised £68.40 for school and a further £17.10 for Starlight, a charity which helps seriously and terminally ill children.
- **Friday 18th December - Children's '100' club draw** during sharing assembly. Tickets are 50p each and are now available from Mr Brocklehurst in the playground.

Photographs

If you would like to place an order for school photographs, please return your order form and payment to school by this **Thursday 3rd December** to ensure delivery before the end of term.

Retirement Collection for Mrs Jones

As you are aware, Mrs Jones is retiring at the end of this term after 16 years at our school. If you would like to contribute to her retirement collection, please send your donation into the office in a clearly marked envelope as soon as possible. Thank you.

Little Faces School in Mombasa

There continues to be a need for spare school uniform for the children in Mombasa so that they can attend the Little Faces School. If you are able to spare any uniform that your child has outgrown for this worthy cause, then please bring it into school on Friday 11th December so that we can arrange for DHL to collect it. If anyone has an excess of Lego and would be willing to donate a small amount to the children at the Little Faces School, this can also be brought to school on Friday 11th December. Thank you for your on-going support with our sponsorship.

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.

Advent Coffee Morning

A reminder that Holy Trinity Church will be holding an Advent Coffee Morning on Saturday 5th December at 10am in Capenhurst Village Hall. Tickets are £3 and include a hot drink and homemade mince pie or shortbread. There will be a homemade produce stall, hand crafted cards and a good raffle! Tickets are available from Rosalie Pughe (0151 339 3308), Sue Kilgallen (0151 339 5225) or Keith Norman, Church Warden (0151 339 4725).

Village Hall Refurbishments

The first phase of the village hall internal refurbishments have been completed. More than twenty people have been working on the improvements over the past week and the Village Hall committee would like to thank Helen Williams and her team at CNS for their support. Over £6,000 has been spent so far and more work is planned for the new year, including improvements to the toilet facilities, entrance hall and external work. There is a Village Hall meeting tonight (30th November) at 7pm and all are welcome to attend.

Letters that have been sent home

The following letters were sent home last week. Please ask in the school office if you have missed one of them.

- Hand washing programme - Classes 1 & 2



Birthday Celebrations

The following children will celebrate a birthday this week:

Benjamin Hardwick

Ryan Shaw