



CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

16th November 2020



Hope everyone is keeping well - it is very strange not being in school but I have enjoyed keeping in touch with class 1 over zoom and the staff by phone. It was piece of normality in an otherwise unusual week to be able to lead sharing assembly from home and see the children from classes 3 and 4 and their teachers. I look forward to seeing you on Friday when I am back in school along with classes 1 and 2.

Any questions, please ask and we will do our best to find the answers.

Take care,
Mrs Green

Celebrations!

We held another virtual sharing assembly with each class joining from their classroom. It was great to see all the children and for them to see each other. We awarded a 'Star of the Week' from each class and also counted up the house points.

Stars of the Week:

Class 1 - Jaxon F for increased contributions in lessons and beautiful Diwali artwork and crafts.

Class 2 - Seb D for good focus in Zoom lessons, being very sensible, contributing to class discussions and asking lots of questions.

Class 3 - Afreen S for making a great start at Capenhurst.

Class 4 - Suki J-E for making such a positive return to Capenhurst.



Remote learning

It has been pleasing to see how well the families of children in classes 1 and 2 have engaged with the work set on Google classrooms and attended the zoom sessions. The staff and I have enjoyed seeing all the children and being able to keep in touch and support with home learning in this way. We have enjoyed looking at the work that you have submitted and do our best to respond to each piece before the next work is set.

A reminder to all parents, please make sure you are in the same room as your child during the zoom sessions to support them, hear about the work being set for the rest of the day and as part of good safeguarding practice.

Children from classes 3 and 4 who are accessing remote learning have been doing very well and everyone is working hard to send their work back on time. Feedback from your teachers will be shared via Google classrooms.

Any questions, please contact school using contact@capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk and someone will get back to you as soon as they can.

Staff news

It is with mixed feelings that I write to share news about a change of staffing at school. Mrs Crimes has secured a new role as SENDCo at a school in Chester which means that she will be leaving us at the end of this term. We are all really pleased for Mrs Crimes as she will make an excellent SENDCo but we are sad that she is leaving us as we value her work and the care she shows for all the children she teaches and has taught at Capenhurst. We wish her well and know that she will always be a friend of the school.

Mrs Shearer will take over Thursday and Friday teaching in class 2 and as a familiar member of staff, this will be a smooth transition for everyone. Mrs Shearer is already part of our school team and is known by all the children in school.

Testing for Covid-19 - please read carefully and thoroughly

It is important that if your child becomes unwell with any of the COVID-19 symptoms listed below that you get tested. Testing sites are available across Cheshire and Merseyside, with appointments for tests released daily throughout the day and a new centre has opened locally in Ellesmere Port.

At this time of such high demand it is crucial that **only** people who have **COVID-19 symptoms** book a test. These include:

- a high temperature – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

There is no need for members of a pupil's household to have a test, unless they are also symptomatic but **ALL** members of the household do need to isolate until the test results are back.

If your child tests positive they should self-isolate and stay off school for 10 days, the rest of the household need to isolate for at least 14 days. If the test comes back negative they can return to school if they no longer have symptoms and have been fever free for 48hrs.

To book a test please visit: www.nhs.uk or by calling: 119.



Dates and events - a few things for the calendar!

Monday 30th Nov - Whole school flu vaccination

Friday 4th Dec - Christmas Jumper Day-bring in £1 for Save the Children and wear your Christmas jumper to school!

Friday 18th Dec - School breaks up for Christmas from **1.30pm** (staggered finish times will be arranged to fit in with the arrangements that are in place at the time)

Monday 4th Jan - School reopens 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 school places

Parents with pre-school children due to start school in September 2021 are reminded that you are now able to apply for reception places online via the Council's website at www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/admissions

The deadline for primary school applications is **January 15th 2021**.

Friends of Capenhurst

Christmas Cards

Thank you for those who ordered Christmas cards and goodies. We raised just over £70 for school!

Bonus Ball

This weekend the bonus ball was number 13. Please check our facebook page for details of the winner! If you would like to take part, there are still spare numbers. Please contact Mary Osborne via our Facebook page, or email school to pass on a message.

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.

West Cheshire Foodbank

We will continue to support the West Cheshire Foodbank each week. Food items are to be brought in and will be gathered in each classroom before being placed in the collection box by a member of staff. This week the Foodbank is particularly in need of **tinned meat, bags of sweets, bars of chocolate, long life fruit juice, small bottles of cordial, tinned potatoes, instant mash, instant custard, tinned puddings and tinned fruit**. Thank you for your continued support.



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