



CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

18th January 2016



Hope you all had a lovely weekend! Although the weather may appear relatively mild, please make sure your child has appropriate winter clothing for playtimes as it does get chilly outside, especially at lunch time. Congratulations to Mrs Brassington who won the 100 club during the draw in last week's assembly. This week's sharing assembly will be on Friday at the usual time of 2.40pm.

If you have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to raise them at school.
Mrs Green

Celebrations!

Stars of the week

Class 1: Suki Evans for her hard work and enthusiasm in Phonics.

Class 2: Cobey Jones for fabulous reading and good comprehension skills.

Class 3: Hannah Lonsdale for working hard on her maths skills.

Class 4: Eleanor Riley for some great poetry work over the last few weeks and always trying her hardest in all areas.

The Infant cup was awarded to Lia Charalambides for trying hard in all areas and being such a positive member of the class. The Junior cup was awarded to Joe Powell for making good progress in all areas and for his positive attitude to school. Well done to everyone who shared their news and achievements in assembly last week.



Attendance

Whole school attendance for the month of December was:

96.3%

Dates and events - a few things for the calendar!

Tuesday 19th January - Mosque visit for pupils in Classes 2, 3 and 4.

Wednesday 20th January - Class 3 Family Lunch

Thursday 21st January - Friends of Capenhurst meeting. All welcome and a crèche is provided. The meeting will start straight after school.

Wednesday 3rd February - Class 4 Family Lunch

Wednesday 10th February - Parents' Evening, appointments available between 3.30 and 5.00pm

Thursday 11th February - Parents' Evening, appointments available between 4.00 and 6.00pm

Friday 12th February - School closes for half term

Monday 22nd February - INSET day. School closed to pupils

Tuesday 23rd February - School re-opens for pupils

Thursday 3rd March - Young Voices concert, please refer to earlier letter for details.

Wed 16th - Fri 18th March - Residential trip for pupils in Classes 3 and 4. Further details will be sent home in time.

Wednesday 23rd March - Easter Service at Holy Trinity Church at 11.30am - all welcome.

Friday 25th March - Good Friday - school closed

Monday 28th March - Easter Monday - school closed

Friday 1st April - school closes for Easter holiday. Pupils to be collected at the usual time of 3.10pm

Monday 18th April - School re-opens for the summer term for staff and pupils.

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.

Local library - information for parents and children

The Cheshire West and Chester Library Service offers free access for library members to a range of eResources, which are particularly good for helping children with their homework, giving access to trusted, reliable information through sites such as Britannica and Credo, rather than relying on Google searches and Wikipedia!

<http://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/libraries/virtual-reference-library.aspx>

The Library Service is holding a free webinar, a 45 minute online tour of your public library's Credo Reference e-book collection! See the best reference e-books to help your children with their studies. They'll highlight content appropriate for ages 9 to 17 - all fully accessible from home with a library card.

Wednesday, January 20th, 2016 at 7pm GMT

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Friends of Capenhurst

The next meeting of Friends of Capenhurst will take place on Thursday 21st January to review the fundraising activities of last term and plan ahead for the remainder of this school year. All are welcome and new ideas are always well-received. If you can't attend but still have suggestions to make, please send your suggestions to school and they will be passed on. The meeting starts straight after school and there will be a crèche.

Recycling Competition

Thank you to everyone who took the time to enter the recycling competition shared, on behalf of CWaC, by our Junior Safety Officers. The winners were Alexander Grimshaw and Alex Charalambides. They won tickets to Robot Wars, organised by CWaC and held in Northwich on Sunday 17th January.

Conway Trip - Classes 3 & 4

A reminder that the first payment for your child's trip to Conway is due by this Friday, if you have chosen to pay in instalments. Thank you.

School Dinners & Snacks - Outstanding Payments

The cost of a school dinner is currently £2.20 a day for children in Classes 3 & 4. A slice of toast is 30p and a bacon butty (Fridays only) is 60p. Please ensure that dinners and snacks are paid for in advance or on the day that your child is having them; this will greatly help Mrs Auld who spends a lot of time chasing outstanding payments each week. Please check your child's book bags for reminders. Thank you.

2016-2017 School Term & Holiday Dates

We have had several queries regarding holiday dates for the next school year. Please find details below of the standardised holidays for Cheshire West & Chester. Please be aware that there are **five INSET days still to be added**, but these have not yet been finalised.

| Autumn 2016 | Spring 2017 | Summer 2017 |
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| Monday 5th September - Friday 28th October (40 days) | Monday 9th January - Friday 17th February (30 days) | Tuesday 18th April - Friday 26th May (28 days) |
| Half Term 31st October - 4th November | Half Term 20th - 24th February | Bank Holiday - 1st May Half Term 29th May - 2nd June |
| Monday 7th November - Friday 23rd December (35 days) | Monday 27th February - Friday 31st March (25 days) | Monday 5th June - Tuesday 25th July (37 days) |
| Christmas Holiday 24th December - 8th January | Spring Break including Easter Holidays 1st April - 17th April | Summer Holiday 26th July - 3rd September |
| Return to school: Monday 4th September 2017 | | |

Uniform Reminder

At Capenhurst we are proud of our tradition of wearing a school uniform. Girls are expected to have long hair fastened back at all times in school. This helps to avoid it getting caught during PE and reduce the likelihood of head lice transferring from one head to another. Please keep hair accessories to a minimum, restricting the use of large hair decorations to non-uniform days. Your cooperation with this is appreciated.

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.

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 **fruit juice, UHT milk and tinned puddings**. 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.

Letters that have been sent home

- Cheshire Phoenix Basketball
- Family Lunch - Class 4
- NSPCC Schools Service - Class 4