



CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

14th December 2020



Well it is the final week of our first term back at school and I think, all things considered that it has gone well. Thank you to all our families for their cooperation with the new arrangements and support throughout the term. I would like to wish each family a restful Christmas break and hope you are able to enjoy it safely.

I look forward to seeing you all back in the new year.

Merry Christmas and all the very best for 2021!

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 - Riley M for his hard work with his writing and letter formation.

Class 2 - Sophia M for super dancing and trying hard in maths and literacy.

Class 3 - Jack O for his brilliant sewing and helping others.

Class 4 - Alexander G for consistently working hard across all areas of the curriculum.

The winning house this week was Water. Congratulations to everyone in Water for their teamwork in earning the most house points during the past week at school. Thank you to the children who brought something in to share and celebrate.



Christmas Activities

Christmas Story and Dance

The link to the school's unlisted, private YouTube account will be sent home tomorrow. Please check your emails. The videos will be available for you to watch at home until Thursday 17th December. I remind all families that the link to the account is for **your own household to use only** and is **NOT** to be shared widely with other people or wider family members. I will be most disappointed if I find that families do not respect this request as I feel it will be a breach of the excellent trust that we have between home and school. Nor is anything to be downloaded or recorded to be shared with wider members of your family or others.

Christmas lunch - Tuesday 15th December

Please note there will be no school snack on Tuesday as Helen will be busy preparing Christmas lunch!

Friday 18th December - we close early on this day. Please take note of the time your child needs collecting from school.

Classes 2 and 3 are to be collected at **1.30pm** and Classes 1 and 4 at **1.40pm**.

Testing for Covid-19 - arrangements for notification of onset of symptoms and test results after school closes for Christmas

Christmas Test and Trace Arrangements

Parents should continue to notify school if their child develops symptoms of COVID-19 or is asymptomatically tested (tested when they don't have symptoms) in the final week before the Christmas break using the school phone number 0151 338

2181 or email contact@capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk

If your test results do not come back before school closes for Christmas, you should still inform school of the results (positive or negative) using contact@capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk so any contact tracing can take place if a positive result is returned.

Notifying the school if your child develops COVID-19 symptoms after the school closes for Christmas

Notify school if:

Your child develops symptoms or is asymptotically tested (tested when they don't have symptoms) **before 2.00pm on Sunday 20th December 2020** and;

Your child was in nursery/school in the 48hrs prior to the symptom on-set (or test if they have been tested but don't have symptoms)

You do not need to notify school if:

Your child has not been in school in the 48hrs prior to the symptom on-set (or test if they have been tested but don't have symptoms)

Your child develops symptoms or is asymptotically tested (tested when they don't have symptoms) **after 2.00pm on Sunday 20th December 2020**

This information has also been sent to each family via ParentMail - please check your emails.



Dates and events - a few things for the calendar!

Tuesday 15th Dec - Christmas Lunch — no school snack available on this day.

Friday 18th Dec - School breaks up for Christmas at **1.30pm** for Classes 2 & 3 and at **1.40pm** for Classes 1 & 4

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.

West Cheshire Foodbank - Reverse Advent Calendar

We welcome your on-going support in helping us to donate to the West Cheshire Foodbank. As we approach a special time in our Christian calendar, we remember the love and hope that Jesus Christ brought into our lives. We would like to share this time with those in our community who are less fortunate than ourselves. This year, in each class we will have an advent box which we hope will be filled by our Capenhurst families. Instead of just thinking about receiving, we'd like to encourage the children to think of others in their time of need. We hope you will be able to support us with this advent challenge as best you can. Thank you.



Christmas Tree Recycling

The Hospice of the Good Shepherd is once again offering to collect and recycle your Christmas tree following the festive period. Register online before Monday 11th January at www.charityxmastreecollection.com
Please see the poster that was sent home last week for more details.

Emergency Foodbank Voucher

We have recently been accepted by West Cheshire Food Bank to issue emergency food vouchers for families in crisis. If you feel that you could benefit from an emergency food parcel due to finding yourself in crisis as a result of covid-related job losses, or indeed any change of circumstances, please complete the form in ParentMail. This is separate from the free school meals vouchers that were issued to eligible children during lockdown. This is open to any family who may find themselves in crisis for whatever reason, and is not limited to our free school meal children.

The form will remain available for the whole of the academic year. Please only complete the form if you need help. (You do not need to let us know that you do not require help.) The details you provide will be treated in confidence and will only be accessed by Mrs Green or Mrs Auld who will contact you to arrange the issuing of the voucher.

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

Bonus Ball

The winning bonus ball on Saturday 12th December was number 59 which has no owner so the next draw will be a rollover. 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.

Twitter

Follow us on Twitter for class news and updates @CapenhurstCEPS



Birthday Celebrations

The following children celebrate a birthday this week or during the holidays: (14th December to 3rd January)

Daclan J

Pearl H

