

CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

18th October 2021



It was lovely to be out on a trip last week with classes 1 and 2. The children had a great time and responded well to the staff and activities at the museum. Their behaviour, as always, was a credit to their parents and school.

Thank you to everyone for your overwhelming generosity for our Harvest Foodbank appeal. The volunteers at the Foodbank were very pleased to collect your donations to support vulnerable families in the local area.

As usual, if you have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to raise them at school.

Mrs Green

Celebrations!

We held our Celebration Worship in the village hall last Friday. We awarded a 'Star of the Week' from each class and also counted up the house points. We also awarded the Infant and Junior cups.

Stars of the Week:

- Class 1 Abigail McC for her consistent effort in all lessons and with her work at home.
- Class 2 Mia R for being kind and thoughtful and trying hard with her work.
- Class 3 Leighton B for some great maths work this week.
- Class 4 Emilia R for great effort in all that she does, especially maths this week.

Infant Cup - Riley M for increased independence and excellent engagement on our trip to the museum.

Junior Cup - Riley F for demonstrating a much more positive attitude towards school.

The joint winning houses were FIRE & EARTH! Congratulations to everyone in Fire and Earth for their teamwork in earning the most house points during last week.



Dates and events - a few things for the calendar!

Thursday 21st Oct - Photo order deadline

Friday 22nd Oct - INSET day (school closed to pupils)

Monday 25th Oct - Friday 29th Oct - School closed for half term holiday

Tuesday 2nd Nov & Wednesday 3rd Nov - Parents' Evenings

Friday 10th Dec - Whole school Panto trip to the Floral Pavilion to see Beauty & the Beast

Tuesday 14th Dec - Final swimming lesson for Class 4 children

Friday 17th Dec - School breaks up for Christmas at 1.30pm for ALL pupils

Wednesday 5th Jan - School reopens for the Spring Term

Tuesday 11th Jan - Swimming lessons start for children in Class 3

Wednesday 16th Mar - Friday 18th Mar - Conway Centre residential for KS2 children - details will follow in due course

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.

Emergency Food Bank Vouchers

Last year we were accepted by West Cheshire Food Bank to issue emergency food vouchers for families in crisis. A new form has been created on ParentMail for this purpose. 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 on ParentMail so that we can do our best to help you and your family. 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. Once the voucher has been issued, the form will be cleared and will reappear in your Forms section on ParentMail. Please only complete the form if you 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.

The Whitby High School - Junior High

The Whitby High School is hoping to restart Junior High for Y5 and Y6 in the first term of 2022. Mr Alexander is currently creating a parental email list to send brochures and details. To be on this list please email community@whitbyhs.cheshire.sch.uk and simply add the message 'Add to mailing list'. If you haven't received a confirmation email within two weeks please check your spam folder and email again if a reply from community is not there. The current thinking is that Junior High will run on Wednesdays after school from 4pm to 5:30pm - dates to be confirmed. Courses have not yet been finalised but hopefully should include: Food, Design Technology, Photography, Film Making, Animation, Science Experiments and other creative offerings. (Dependent upon the Covid situation we may split the courses

and use Wednesdays and Thursdays to reduce the number of students in school at any one time). Classes will have no more than 16 students to ensure appropriate distancing and all courses will be free.



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Parents' Evening

We have put in place arrangements for face-to-face appointments (dates overleaf). Details of your allocated time slot will be sent home this week, please check ParentMail for details.

School Photograph Orders

Proofs of your child's school photograph were sent home last Friday (8th October). If you would like to order any photos, please return the order envelope to school enclosing payment by **Thursday 21st October**. Alternatively you can order online - details are in the pack.

If any parent has not seen a proof please email school at contact@capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk and we can order an additional pack on your behalf.

Applying for school places

Parents with children in Year 6 and pre-school children due to start school in September 2022 are reminded that you must apply for Year 7 and reception places online via the Council's website at www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/admissions

High school admissions

The deadline for high school applications is **October 31st 2021**. The local high schools arrange virtual open evenings to help you choose the right school for your child and details of these are available on their websites. We will also share these details with our Year 6 families if asked to do so by the high schools so keep an eye on ParentMail.

If you are applying for a high school place at **Bishops Blue Coat High School**, you will need to complete a supplementary application form; if Criteria 3 applies to your child (worship as a family at Holy Trinity), Canon Steve needs to sign the form. Paper copies (green) have been sent home with your child; there are also a number of spares in the school office. We have also emailed you on ParentMail regarding this with the details about the open evening at Bishops.

Primary admissions

For parents with children due to start primary school in September 2021, the closing date for admissions is **January 15th 2022**.

Friends of Capenhurst

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.

100 Club

There are still numbers available for 100 Club; if you would like to take part, please see Mrs Henson on the playground. The cost is £12 per year and you could win a monthly monetary prize if your number is drawn, whilst raising money for school. For those of you continuing with your number, please ensure that you pay as soon as possible if you have not already done so. Payment can be made in cash to Mrs Henson or via a Paypal friends and family payment at https://paypal.me/capenhurstprimarypta?locale.x=en GB

Bonus Ball

It's £10 to play until February half term and there are still some numbers available if you would like to take part. You can choose a number or I can pick one for you. Please grab me on the school run, message me through Facebook (Mary Elizabeth Osborne) or leave a message with school if you would like to join in!!

Christmas Cards

Please refer to the email sent via Parentmail on 29/09/21 for the drawing and order sheet and price list for our fundraising Christmas cards. The order deadline is this Thursday, 21st October. Please ensure that payment (cash only) and your order are placed together in a clearly labelled envelope. Any queries, please see Jemma Baker, or email school so that a message can be passed on. Thank you.



West Cheshire Foodbank

Thank you for your harvest donations. We will continue to support the West Cheshire Foodbank throughout the year. Food items can 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 biscuits, UHT milk, UHT juice, tinned desserts, instant

noodles/instant pasta, cup a soup, instant custard, treats (eg. small bars of chocolate/bags of sweets). Thank you for your continued support.

Teams4U Christmas Shoeboxes

We heard about the Christmas shoebox appeal in last Friday's assembly. The children have been given a leaflet if you would like to take part and make one up over half term. Shoeboxes should be returned by mid-November, date to be confirmed.

