

# Aim, Achieve, Succeed



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete and return the curriculum surveys. Your responses were comprehensive and provided school with useful information and feedback as to what we do well and how we can improve the curriculum we offer for your children. Asking about your own experiences at primary school enabled us to understand the kinds of activities and lessons that stay with children into adulthood and the positive attributes that memorable and good teachers have. They have been reviewed alongside the surveys that staff and children completed and the combined findings will be used during the process of redesigning the school curriculum.

When looking at all the surveys together, there were many common threads, some of which are noted below:

- Capenhurst is a family school that involves its families and promotes strong family values
- Pupils are well-known and nurtured within an inclusive environment
- Passionate and consistent standards of teaching
- Residential trips for all ages
- Staff are kind and caring – ‘they teach us what we need to know’

It was humbling to read the surveys and see what our children enjoy about school and the passion and pride that they feel about their school. The responses from parents were also lovely to read as it gave all staff a welcome reminder of what our families enjoy and appreciate about the hard work that they do every day – thank you.

When asked what was missing, children wanted more opportunities to take part in sports and competition (as did parents); staff wanted more space; staff and parents identified that aspects of the curriculum such as food technology and drama needed to be improved. Many surveys from children and adults reported that they felt nothing was missing from the curriculum and opportunities currently on offer at Capenhurst.

The survey also asked staff and parents to identify three characteristics that they wanted the children to leave Capenhurst with. Again, there were lots of common themes and suggestions across all the surveys with the following three being the most common:

- Resilience
- Compassion
- Curiosity

These will thread through the curriculum on offer at Capenhurst so that every child is given many opportunities to develop them before they leave.



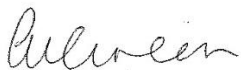
Through seeking the thoughts and ideas of everyone at school, the resulting curriculum will be one that gives every child the opportunity to learn new things, know why they are learning them, remember what they have learnt and be curious to find out more. Every child will develop the resilience to use mistakes and hiccups as opportunities to grow emotionally and academically alongside understanding and compassion for others in their school, families, local community and wider world.

The staff will be working hard to ensure that the curriculum on offer at Capenhurst is well-planned to ensure progression for all pupils as well as being wide and varied so as to engage and stimulate the children's desire to learn. The curriculum section of the school website will be updated as new parts of the curriculum are completed – remember to keep checking it out!

If you have any questions about the content of this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me or your child's class teacher.

Thank you again for the support you have shown to me and the staff throughout your child's time at school.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Claire Green', written in black ink.

Mrs Claire Green  
Headteacher