

## CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

2nd March 2020



It was lovely to see the children and their families in Chester Cathedral on Sunday as they led parts of the first service in Lent with the regular team and congregation of the cathedral as well as their friends from Christ Church and Bishop Wilson. The team and the congregation were impressed at their confidence when reading and presenting as well as their behaviour – I was very proud of them all. Thank you to their families for their support in preparing the children for the service and taking the time to join us at the service. A thoughtful and reflective start to Lent for us all. As usual, 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: Sebastian D for his positive attitude and great choices during school this week.
- Class 2: Jax D for super maths work and being more sensible.
- Class 3: Emilia R for great work with measuring this week.
- Class 4: Chloe E for working really hard in class.

The Infant cup was awarded to Finley F for his mature attitude at school and making good choices. The Junior cup was awarded to Kian J for his fantastic attitude to all aspects of school.

Chester FC tickets were awarded to Mason L for trying really hard to make sensible decisions and working very hard with his maths and writing. Well done to everyone who shared their news and achievements in assembly last week.



## Dates and events - a few things for the calendar!

Wednesday 4th March - KS2 Trip to Liverpool Philharmonic

Thursday 5th March - Class 4 attending Maths Quiz Final at the Civic Hall

Thursday 5th March - Conway Residential Meeting for KS2 Parents at 3.15pm

Friday 6th March - World Book Day celebrations - please wear your t-shirt!

Monday 9th March - Class 4 Music Showcase (clarinets) at Ellesmere Port Catholic High School

## Tuesday 10th March - Y5/6 Football Match at Brookside Primary, 3.30pm

Wednesday 11th March - Year 1 Family Lunch

Friday 13th March - Class Photographs

Wednesday 18th March - Year 2 Family Lunch

Wed 18th - Fri 20th March - KS2 Residential to the Conway Centre

Monday 23rd March - Non-uniform day with donations for bingo hampers

Friday 27th March - Easter Bible Exhibition for Class 4

Monday 6th - Friday 17th April - Spring Break (school closed)

Monday 20th April - School reopens for the Summer Term

Tuesday 21st April - Life Education Bus visiting school (please note rearranged date)

Friday 8th May - School closed for VE Day bank holiday

Monday 11th - Friday 15th May - Y6 SATS Week - no absences will be authorised this week. (Y2 will be doing SATS during the months of May so no absences will be authorised during this period).

## Friday 15th May - KS2 Schools Swimming Gala at EPSV from 7pm (further details closer to the time)

Wednesday 20th May - Edsential Music Showcase (clarinet) Concert at the Civic Hall

Monday 25th - Friday 29th May - Half Term (school closed)

Monday 1st June - INSET Day (school closed)

Monday 8th & Tuesday 9th June - Year 1 & Year 2 Beeston Residential Trip

Monday 22nd June - Sports Day

## Friday 17th July - Last day of term. School closes at 1.30pm (please note change of time)

Monday 20th July - INSET Day (school closed)

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.

## Feedback from Chester Cathedral

Lovely feedback received from Chester Cathedral following our participation in the service on Sunday:

"A really big thank you for all of the wonderful contributions that were offered to God – appreciated by so many – remarks such as *Excellent, Good to support Schools, A fresh approach to Lent* are good feedback which I'd be grateful if you could share with the pupils. Thank you for giving the time and preparation to making this a great first for a Sunday Morning here at the Cathedral."

Attendance
Whole school
attendance for
February (to date) is:

95.4%

Whole school attendance for the year to date is:

96.6%

Last week's best attendees:

Class 3



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## Friends of Capenhurst

## Forthcoming Events:

- Monday 23rd March Non-uniform day with donations for bingo hampers
- Friday 27th March Easter Bingo
- Friday 3rd April Easter Dash
- Thursday 23rd April Starlight Clothing Collection

## Quiz

Thank you to the three teams who turned up for the quiz on Friday. It was an enjoyable evening, if somewhat quiet. Thank you to Jackie Henson for organising and hosting, along with our other PTA members.

## **Bonus Ball**

The winning bonus ball on Saturday 22nd February was number 9 which belongs to Lezley Sutherland. Congratulations! Please see Mrs Osborne for a spare number if anyone else would like to get involved.

Just a reminder, and for our new families, that we have a Facebook page, 'Friends of Capenhurst School (PTA)'. This is a closed group for **current parents/carers only**; the group provides fundraising updates and general school reminders.

## Come on a Reading Adventure!

We are taking part in a Read for Good Readathon to raise money for much-needed books and story tellers for our nearest major children's hospital. We have chosen to support Alder Hey. The children have been told all about this in an assembly and all they have to do is read! Please ask family and friends to sponsor your child per book, per page, per ten minutes, it's up to you. If you can encourage sponsors to pay online at readforgood org that would be great. Alternatively cash and cheques can be handed in at school along with your sponsor card by 27th March. Thank you for your support and let's get reading!

## World Book Day - Friday 6th March (PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE!)

Don't forget we are celebrating World Book Day on Friday this week. We are looking forward to seeing everyone's book inspired t-shirts. The children can wear jeans or leggings with their t-shirts; school uniform is not required.

## Conway Residential Payment Reminder

Payment is due in full by this Friday 6th March 2020. Please ensure that payment is made online via ParentMail. Please speak to Mrs Auld if you have any queries. Thank you.

## Coronavirus - Government Advice

You should not be unduly worried about the possibility of your children catching the Coronavirus. There is no reason why your children should not continue to attend their early years, school or further education setting as normal.

A UK wide campaign has been launched to provide clear advice on how to slow the spread of Coronavirus. Please help to support the campaign which promotes basic hygiene practices, such as regularly washing hands and always sneezing into a tissue, to stem the spread of viruses.

The latest information and advice can be found at https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus and a DfE helpline number has been set up 0800 046 8687. Please see the next page for further advice.

## Cross Country

The EP&N Schools Cross-country running series continues this Saturday (7th March) at Our Lady Star of the Sea Primary School in Ellesmere Port!

These events are FREE to all those taking part; just turn up and run! The emphasis is on encouraging the children to take part, have fun and enjoy some running! At each event there will be four races (year 3/4 girls, year 3/4 boys, year 5/6 girls and year 5/6 boys) followed by a short 'fun dash' for year 2 and below. Every runner will earn points for their school towards the overall trophies awarded at the end of the season.

Please arrive from 8:30am onwards. Tea, coffee and snacks will be on sale. There will be a very short briefing at 8:55am and the first race starts at 9am. We aim to have all the races and the presentation completed by 10am. We ask children not to run in spikes or football boots please, this is for the safety of others. The twitter account (@schoolxc) will provide any last minute information.

## Twitter

Follow us on Twitter for class news and updates @CapenhurstCEPS



## West Cheshire Foodbank

If you would like to support the Foodbank this week, donations of **UHT fruit juice and instant** coffee would be particularly welcome. Thank you for your continued support.







# Advice on the coronavirus for places of education

## How serious is the coronavirus?

- it can cause flu-like symptoms, including fever, cough & difficulty breathing
- the infection is not serious for most people, including children
- · there is currently no vaccine
- most people get better with enough rest, water to drink and medicine for pain

## How likely are you to catch the virus?

- you can only catch it if you have been close to a person who has the virus
- the chance of being in contact with the virus is currently low in the UK
- if you have travelled to areas where many people are infected, your chance of catching the virus is higher, i.e. China and any affected areas

## How can you stop coronaviruses spreading?

If you need to cough or sneeze



Catch it with a tissue



Bin it



Kill it by washing your hands with soap & water or

You should wash hands with soap & water or hand sanitiser



After breaks & sport activities



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On arrival at any childcare or educational setting



After using the toilet



Before leaving home



Try not to touch your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands



Do not share items that come into contact with your mouth such as cups & bottles



If unwell do not share items such as bedding, dishes, pencils & towels



Stop germs spreading with our e-Bug resources on hand and respiratory hygiene lesson plans for KS1, 2 and 3: campaignresources.phe.gov.uk/schools

## What should you do if you feel unwell?

Keep away from others and stay at home to stop the infection spreading. Avoid public transport if you think you have symptoms of coronavirus. If you become unwell at a place of education, tell a member of staff and let them know if you have travelled to any other countries in the last 14 days.

If your staff member or parent thinks you have symptoms of coronavirus, they should call **NHS 111** for advice. Follow the UK Government advice for childcare or educational settings **gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19**. Parents can visit **NHS.UK** to find out more information. Teachers and support staff should follow the UK Government advice.

Staff, students and pupils who have returned from Iran, specific lockdown areas in northern Italy, special care zones in South Korea or Hubei province China (returned in the past 14 days) should self isolate, and NOT attend education or work for 14 days. See NHS.UK for advice on coronavirus.

If there is an emergency, call 999 immediately