

CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

22nd February 2021



Welcome back! Hopefully you all managed to find ways to relax, rest or occupy yourselves and your households during the half term break.

At the end of last half term, we heard that one of our pupils, Evie, had been taken into intensive care at Alder Hey Children's Hospital with PIMS (Paediatric Inflammatory Multisystem Syndrome) which is a non-contagious disease that can occur in children after they have had coronavirus. Many of you may have read this news, shared by her family on Facebook. We have been in contact with Evie's mum during half term and are pleased to share that Evie is responding well to the treatment plan that the consultants and specialists have put in place for her. There will be a more detailed letter and information sent home by email today - please look for it and read it carefully. Our thoughts and prayers remain with Evie and her family at this difficult time.

As usual, if you have any questions about arrangements in place at school, please ring or email <u>contact@capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk</u>

Take care and stay safe, Mrs Green

Celebrations!

We held individual celebrations during our class zooms on Thursday before the half term break. We awarded a 'Star of the Week' from each class and also counted up the house points. Stars of the Week:

Class 1 - Luke P for his confidence in all areas of school, particularly his reading.

Class 2 - Sophie O for working hard at home and always completing everything that has been asked of her.

Class 3 - Bailey M for trying hard with his writing and producing some lovely written work as a result. Class 4 - Oliver L for working hard at home and in school.



The winning houses this week were Fire and Air - it was a draw! Congratulations to everyone in Fire and Air for their teamwork in earning the most house points during the past week.

Wellbeing Wednesday

day.

This week there will be another Wellbeing Wednesday with a variety of different activities for your children to enjoy. Some will need help and/or supervision, others will not. I have also included links to the day's lessons from the Oak National Academy for those families who would prefer a more structured routine to their day. It is hoped that this mix and balance will go some to way to addressing the feedback from the last wellbeing day where the lack of structure did not work for everyone. Your comments and feedback from this week will enable school to continue to refine the remote learning offer. The day will start with collective worship led by Canon Steve which we all found to be the perfect start to the last wellbeing

Testing for Covid-19 - please read carefully and thoroughly

It is important that if your child becomes unwell with any of the COVID-19 symptoms listed below that you get tested. Testing sites are available across Cheshire and Merseyside, with appointments for tests released daily throughout the day and a new centre has opened locally in Ellesmere Port.

At this time of such high demand it is crucial that **only** people who have **COVID-19 symptoms** book a test. These include:

- a high temperature this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- a new, continuous cough this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

There is no need for members of a pupil's household to have a test, unless they are also symptomatic but **ALL** members of the household do need to isolate until the test results are back.

If your child tests positive they should self-isolate and stay off school for 10 days, the rest of the household need to isolate for at least 10 days. If the test comes back negative they can return to school if they no longer have symptoms and have been fever free for 48hrs.

To book a test please visit: <u>www.nhs.uk</u> or by calling: 119.



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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.

West Cheshire Foodbank

We welcome your on-going support of the West Cheshire Foodbank each week. Food items are to 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 UHT long life milk, long life fruit juice, tinned tomatoes, tinned potatoes, instant mash and cup-a-soup. Thank you in advance for your continued support.



Bonus Ball

Mrs Osborne will send out letters requesting subs when school re-opens for all children. In the meantime, Bonus Ball is temporarily suspended.

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 (22nd —28th February): Penelope SLW



West

Cheshire

Sophia K