



Well done to all the children in Classes 1 and 2 for their excellent performances last week of 'Lights, Camel, Action!'. Both performances were excellent and everyone performed their roles with clarity and enthusiasm. This week we will be holding our Christingle Service at church (more details further down the page). I look forward to welcoming many of you at this service.  
Kind regards, Mrs Green

### Celebrations!

#### Stars of the week

Class 1: Amelia Rahim for her focus during literacy and maths.

Class 2: Ellie Anderson for working hard to improve her writing and maths work.

Class 3: Lucy Brassington for trying hard in all that she does.

Class 4: Daniel Brocklehurst for putting 100% effort in all does all of the time.

The Infant cup was awarded to Bella McKenna for increased confidence and participation in all aspects of school life. The Junior cup was awarded to Joe Powell for being a helpful member of the class, particularly with DT at Whitby High where he helped other pupils this week. Well done to everyone who shared their news and achievements in assembly last week.



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

**Thursday 15th December - Christingle Service at Holy Trinity church at 2pm with families invited to make Christingles with their children during the morning at school (9.00am until 10.00am)**

**Friday 16th December - Christmas jumper day (in return for donations for the tombola)**

**Friday 16th December - Secret Santa for KS2 children**

**Friday 16th December - Final sharing assembly of the term**

Tuesday 20th December - KS2 Carol Service at Holy Trinity Church at 6pm, followed by Christmas Fayre back at school

Wednesday 21st December - Whole school panto trip

Thursday 22nd December - School Christmas Lunch

Thursday 22nd December - School breaks up for Christmas at **2pm**

Friday 23rd December - INSET day

Monday 9th January - Return to school after the Christmas break

Tuesday 17th January - Class 1 & 2 Winter Trip to Hooton Earth Skills Project

23rd-27th January - Faith Week

Wednesday 1st February - Young Voices 2017

Half Term - Monday 20th February - Friday 24th February

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.

Attendance  
Whole school attendance for November:

**95.7%**

Whole school attendance for the year to date is:

**97.0%**

### Christingle Service - Thursday 15th December

We are holding our Christingle Service on Thursday at Holy Trinity Church, starting at 2pm. In the morning (9-10am) parents are invited into school to help their children make a Christingle orange ready for the service.

As the children will be holding lit candles during the service, sensible hair styles and decorations are necessary for the day on Thursday. Long hair needs to be tied back and no excessively large ribbons or adornments to be worn. This is in line with our usual request for hair to be tied back for school but I am aware that this is not always the case. There are times when more decorative hairstyles (non-uniform days, Christmas lunch etc.) can be worn; a typical school day isn't necessarily one of them. Your cooperation with this is much appreciated.

### Before & After School Provision

Starting in January, Capenhurst Village Preschool will be offering before and after school care for children at our primary school. They will be running a breakfast club before school from 8am and will also offer after school care until 6pm. We hope that this will be of assistance to those parents who have enquired about such provision in the past. We would be grateful if you would spread the word to families and friends with preschool aged children who may be interested in applying to our school for a reception place in September. For further information and to register your interest, please contact Jo Maton on 07976 455562.



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Friends of Capenhurst Fundraising Update

**Secret Santa** is an opportunity for each child to purchase a gift for a friend or relative (maybe more than one), wrap it in school and then place it under the tree at home as a 'surprise'. Each gift will cost £2.50 and the children will be supported with the selecting and wrapping of the gifts. To take part, your child should bring in £2.50 per gift in a named envelope with an note of who they are buying a gift for.

**The children's '100' club draw** will take place during sharing assembly on Friday 16th December. Tickets are 50p each and are now available from Mr Brocklehurst in the playground.

**Bags for Life** are still available to purchase from the school office for £4 each. Please send in your orders to the office with the correct money, (cash only please). Order now to avoid disappointment!

**Events for this term:**

- Friday 16th December - Secret Santa for KS2 (and any KS1 children who missed last week's event)
- Tuesday 20th December - Christmas Fayre following the Carol Service

Thank you to those parents who have supported events this term by either giving of their time, sending in donations or spending at the various event this term. These additional funds will enable each classroom to be equipped with new interactive whiteboards.

Reception 2017 Admissions

If you have a child due to start school in September 2017, the deadline for applications is **15th January 2017**. Please apply online by following the link to School Admissions at [www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk](http://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk).

Last year the Council received a high volume of late applications which resulted in many siblings attending different schools and therefore created a high number of appeals.

Builders Academy Lego Club (Years 2-6)

Don't forget to book your child's place in Builders Academy Lego club (for Years 2-6). Last year it was very popular. We need a minimum of 12 children to sign up for the club to go ahead; currently only six children have signed up. Please return your forms with payment as soon as possible if your child would like to take part, or else we may have to cancel. Thank you.

West Cheshire Foodbank

As we approach the festive season, it is a good time to give extra thought to the people in our community who are struggling for one reason or another or who are less fortunate than ourselves. It would be lovely if we could send our final foodbank donation of the year in an overflowing box! The Foodbank is particularly in need of **UHT fruit juice and UHT milk** at the moment. If you would like to donate items there is a collection box by the back door, or alternatively items can be brought into the school office. Thank you for your support.

Street-dance Performance

The children who attend street-dance after school on Wednesdays would like to invite their parents to watch their dance at **4pm this Wednesday 14th December**.

Golden Mile

Don't forget that you are all welcome to join us on Tuesdays from 3.10pm til 3.30pm, weather permitting, to take part in the Golden Mile.

Trees and Turkeys!

Mr & Mrs Brassington, parents of Lucy and Libby, are selling turkeys and Nordmann Christmas trees from their farm. They have kindly offered to provide school's Christmas tree this year and will also donate £1 to school for each tree that they sell during the festive season. Trees are available from Aviary Farm, Welsh Road, near Two Mills. To order your Christmas turkey, please contact Mrs Brassington on 07748 652773.



Thank you to Mr & Mrs Brassington for their kind offer and continued support.



Capenhurst & Ledsham Community Group

Capenhurst & Ledsham Community Group have organised the following events:

- Carols on the Green - 17/12/16 at 5pm

Capenhurst Christmas Post Service!

The children can now use the Capenhurst Christmas Post Service to send their cards to their friends in school. The post box is at the back of the school outside Class 4 and once collected from the post box, the cards will be delivered to each class daily. Don't forget to write the recipient's full name and class on the envelope!

Dinner & Snack Money

Your child will bring home a dinner/snack money outstanding balance slip on Friday (if applicable). Please arrange to clear any money owing by Tuesday so that it can be banked before the holidays. It would be most helpful if you could pay for next week's dinners (£2.20 KS2) and snacks (30p) in advance at the start of the week. Many thanks for your support with this.

Letters that were sent home last week:

- Behaviour Policy
- Nativity DVD order form - Class 1 & 2
- Junior Carol Service - Class 3 & 4
- Christmas Dinner

Birthday Celebrations

The following children will celebrate a birthday this week:

Lucy Brassington

