

CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER,

1st December 2025

'For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.' Jeremiah 29:11 Christian Value - Hope



Today marks the start of Advent. Each class has their own Advent calendar, an interactive calendar and also an Advent wreath. We will be lighting the first candle on the wreath during worship today.

Capenhurst Christmas Post also opens today. Children are invited to write and send Christmas cards to their friends in school. They will need to put the child's full name and class on the envelope to help our Christmas Posties to deliver them to the right people.

During the last few weeks of this term, things can begin to feel quite hectic and different. Whilst this is exciting for some, it can also be overwhelming and confusing for other. Please be mindful of this and remember to treat each other with kindness and understanding.

As usual, if you have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to raise them at school - it is easiest to send them via email to contact@capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk

Mrs Green

Celebrations!

Stars of the week

- C1 Neco for his fantastic handwriting.
- C2 Harrison for being brave and showing amazing skills at the multi-skills sports event.
- C3 Charlotte T for lovely vocabulary choices in her writing and excellent spelling.
- C4 Eddie for writing a poem about a forest using personification and similes.

Infant cup - Eris for her fantastic attitude towards school.

Junior cup - Verity for being an extremely kind and helpful member of the class.

The winning house was WATER! Congratulations to everyone in Water for their teamwork in earning the most house points during last week.



Dates and events - a few things for the calendar!

Thursday 4th Dec - Class 4 Farm Visit

Thursday 4th Dec - Final after-school club of the term. Clubs will resume in the new year.

Friday 5th Dec - Secret Santa, Christmas jumper day and donations for Christmas Colour Hampers - see overleaf

Thursday 11th Dec - Class 1 & 2 Nativity at 1.30pm & 6pm

Friday 12th Dec - Colour Hamper Raffle - Buy your raffle tickets here!

Friday 12th Dec - Festive Fun Run in aid of The Hospice of the Good Shepherd - details were sent home last week

Tuesday 16th Dec - Final swimming lesson for Class 4 children

Tuesday 16th Dec - KS2 Carol Service at Holy Trinity, 6pm - please see below for further details

Wednesday 17th Dec - Pantomime at the Floral Pavilion - details will follow nearer the time

Thursday 18th Dec - Christmas Lunch

Friday 19th Dec - School closes at **1.30pm** for the Christmas holidays

Monday 5th Jan - School closed to pupils (INSET Day)

Tuesday 6th Jan - School reopens to pupils for the Spring Term

Tuesday 6th Jan - Swimming lessons start for Class 3 children

Wednesday 21st Jan - Year 4 Family Lunch

Wednesday 11th Feb - Year 3 Family Lunch

Monday 16th - Friday 20th Feb - School closed for half term break

Monday 23rd Feb - INSET day (school closed for pupils)

Wednesday 25th Feb - Parents' Evening, 4-7pm (further details will follow in due course)

Thursday 26th Feb - Parents' Evening 4-7pm (further 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.

KS2 Carol Service—Tuesday 16th December

Each KS2 family will be allocated one ticket for the KS2 carol service; the ticket will be sent home closer to the time. Please ensure your child is at church for **5.50pm**. School uniform is to be worn. Those parents who are not staying for the service are asked to return for **6.40pm**. The carol service is an important part of our school calendar and we expect all children in KS2 to attend. Any family for whom this causes a problem is to contact school using contact@capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk to discuss.



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In worship this week...

...we have been considering the meaning of Advent - a season of preparation for the celebration of Christmas. Christians use the season of Advent to prepare their hearts for and look towards the celebration that is Christmas. There are four candles on the school Advent wreaths with each candle having its own meaning and story. The first candle is the candle of Hope. Whilst we light the candle we will take time to be still and consider what is important to us and how we can shine the light of Hope to those who may feel they can see only darkness. I invite you to find some time this week to do the same. 'For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.' Jeremiah 29:11.

Class 4 Farm Visit - Thursday 4th December

Class 4 will be visiting the farm this week on Thursday to continue their forest school activities. The children should wear their PE kit for their visit to the farm. Please ensure that dark, plain joggers/leggings are worn (not shorts) due to the long grass. Please bring **wellies** (ideally) or old trainers to change into. Spare socks would be useful in case of wet feet. Please apply insect spray (if required) to your child before school and remember to bring a **warm coat**.



West Cheshire Foodbank - Reverse Advent Calendar

We welcome your on-going support in helping us to donate to the West Cheshire Foodbank. As we approach a special time in our Christian calendar, we remember the love and hope that Jesus Christ brought into our lives. We would like to share this time with those in our community who are less fortunate than ourselves.

This year, in each class we will once again have an advent box which we hope will be filled by our Capenhurst families. Instead of just thinking about receiving, we'd like to encourage the children to think of others in their time of need. We hope you will be able to support us with this advent challenge as best you can. We will be accepting donations from Monday 17th December. Further details were sent with the newsletter last week.



The Foodbank is particularly in need of instant mash, biscuits, chocolate, UHT (long-life) juice and coffee

Spring Term After-School Clubs

Autumn Term clubs finish on Thursday 4th December. Spring term after-school clubs will start on Monday 12th January. Details about fencing lunchtime club for Years 3-6 were sent home on Friday 21st November.

It is hoped that with sufficient interest, CEPD sports club will return on Mondays; it will be gymnastics for children in Years 1-6. Thursday's sport club will be dodgeball for those in Rec to Year 2. Both clubs will take place in the village hall. Please note that sports clubs should be paid for in advance and for the duration of the term; flexible payment options have been made available for you previously to help with budgeting, not to enable children to attend some weeks and not others. School subsidises the sport clubs and we can only make a decision on the financial feasibility of running a club if the numbers are static each week.

A ParentMail form will be sent home before the end of term for you to let us know if your child would like to take part. CEPD sports clubs, Minecraft (KS2 only) and fencing (Years 3-6) should be booked and paid for directly with the external providers. All teacher-led clubs incur a cost of £3.50 per week and you will be billed via ParentMail as appropriate.

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, answer the security questions, and you will be added. Requests made without answering the security questions will be declined automatically. The group provides fundraising updates and general school reminders.

Christmas Jumper Day and Colour Hamper Raffle!

The children are invited to wear a Christmas jumper or festive t-shirt on **Friday 5th December** in exchange for an item for our Christmas colour hamper raffle. They may wear one with their PE kit, or with a pair of leggings or joggers (no frilly skirts or party dresses please) as we will still be doing PE. Examples of items to donate have been sent in an email on ParentMail. Children should bring items in the following colours:

Class 1 Yellow Class 2 Green Class 3 Blue Class 4 Red

Buy your raffle tickets here! Prizes will be drawn on Friday 12th December.

Birthday Celebrations

The following children celebrate a birthday this week: (1st-7th Dec)

Bella W



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