



CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

20th April 2026

'Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.' Ephesians 4:32

Christian Value - Forgiveness



Welcome back!

It has been wonderful to welcome children back after the Easter break. Thank you for returning them to school looking rested, happy and very smart. This is a busy term with a lot going on. Many year groups will face statutory assessments over coming months and it is important that children are in school to enable term to prepare for this.

The table below shows the assessments coming up later this term. If you need any additional information regarding assessments, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Assessment	Year group	Dates
National SAT tests	Year 6	Week beginning 11 th May: Monday 11 th - Tuesday 12 th - Wednesday 13 th - Thursday 14 th -
National Multiplication Tables Check	Year 4	This online test will be taken during the two-week period from week beginning 1 st June
Phonics Screening Test	Year 1 (Please note that any pupils who did not meet the test standard when in Year 1 will also be retested).	Week beginning 8 th June

Please note requests for time off during term-time, for example, for family holidays, cannot be authorised where children have national assessments.

As ever, if you have any queries or questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch at contact@capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk

Mrs Flanders

Dates and events - a few things for the calendar!

Thursday 23rd April - CANCELLED - AmaSing drama workshop at Guilden Sutton PS (selected pupils have been notified today)

Thursday 23rd April - Class 1 Farm Visit

Friday 24th April - Clarinet lessons resume for children in Class 4

Friday 24th April - Y5/6 tag rugby (selected pupils have been notified today via ParentMail)

Thursday 30th April - Class 2 Farm Visit

Monday 4th May - School closed (bank holiday)

Thursday 7th May - Class 3 Farm Visit

Friday 8th May - Class photos & Year 6 leavers' photos

Monday 11th May - Friday 15th May - KS2 SATs Week - NO HOLIDAYS WILL BE APPROVED DURING THIS WEEK!

Thursday 21st May - Class 4 Farm Visit

Friday 22nd May - Sports Day

Monday 25th - Friday 29th May - School closed for half term

Monday 1st June - School closed (INSET Day)

Monday 8th - Tuesday 9th June - Burwardsley residential for children in Class 2

Wednesday 17th June - Reception Family Lunch

Tuesday 30th June - AmaSing at Chester Cathedral

Thursday 9th July - Year 6 Leavers' Service at Chester Cathedral

Tuesday 14th July - KS2 Play (please note change of date)

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.

PCSO Hogan

We were visited this morning by PCSO Christine Hogan, who has been assigned to cover the Capenhurst village area. PCSO Hogan is keen to contribute to the community and the school and we look forward to working with her over coming months.



In worship this week...

...we are focusing on Respect this half term, aligned to Romans 12:10 "Be devoted to one another in love. Honour one another above yourselves." In worship this morning, we talked about the impact that unspoken messages can have on people and whether they are always respectful or compassionate.

We discussed the story of the good Samaritan, thinking about the issues raised from different perspectives. We considered how we can apply this in our relationships in school.

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Lunch Update

If your child brings a packed lunch to school, please ensure that it is nut-free and as balanced and healthy as possible. Fast food (including, but not limited to McDonalds, Burger King, KFC, Greggs, Subway) is not appropriate for school packed lunches. Please refrain from sending your child to school with this type of packed lunch and keep these foods for treats as a family.

Due to increases in food costs, Edsential (our school meal provider) have advised us that the cost of a school meal will increase in April. A school meal will increase from £3.20 to **£3.35 on 1st April 2026**.

School has recently gone out to tender with other schools in our trust, for a catering provider for the upcoming academic year, to ensure that we are getting best value for money. We will keep you informed of the outcome of this process.

A reminder that every child in Class 1 and 2 is eligible for a universal free school meal.

If your financial situation has changed, you may be able to claim an income-related free school meal for your child. Please apply online [here](#). If this is the case, school can also offer financial support towards to cost of school trips. Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you require any further information.

Parent drop-in with Early Help Navigators

On Thursday 23rd April, Rachel from Early Help Navigators will be holding a parent drop-in session in the outdoor classroom from 8.30 to 9.30am. This is an opportunity for any parent to have a chat to Rachel to find out what support is out there for you, your children and family.

Selfless Shelves supporting the West Cheshire Foodbank - **All in, bring a tin!**

We think that Capenhurst is a welcoming community that includes everyone irrespective of race, gender or religion. The 'Selfless Shelves' is a project where children can earn a token as a reward for a good deed in school. This token can then be exchanged for a food item from the 'Selfless Shelves' which can then be placed in the Foodbank. Everyone is encouraged to bring items for the shelves - the children see this as a 'Circle of Kindness'. **We encourage families to help out by bringing in things for the Selfless Shelves. All in, bring a tin!**



The Foodbank will then use these items to support local families struggling to provide food for themselves. We will continue to support the West Cheshire Foodbank in our traditional way and food items can be brought in and placed on the 'Selfless Shelves' or directly into the collection box. The Foodbank is particularly in need of **crackers, juice, pasta in sauce (microwave), tinned meats and curry sauce**.

Holiday requests

Thank you to those families who have followed our attendance policy and completed holiday request forms when taking their child out of school for a holiday. It is much appreciated and helps with record keeping and knowing where children are when they are not in school. Please ensure you submit your request form as soon as possible after booking a holiday so that school can respond in a timely manner. Thank you for your cooperation with this matter.

Our school Attendance Policy can be found on our website [here](#).

A reminder that KS2 SATs week takes place from Monday 11th May to Friday 15th May 2026 and all Year 6 children are expected to be in school as usual that week.

Bunny Hop

Thank you for supporting our Bunny Hop in aid of the Hospice. We will confirm the amount raised over the coming weeks.

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.

Birthday Celebrations

The following children celebrate a birthday this week: (20th - 26th Apr)

Edric



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