



CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

20th July 2026

'Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.'

Psalm 107:1

Christian Value - Thankfulness



This week is very short, but, very important. It is time for goodbyes and thank you as staff and children prepare for the new school year. Change and transition impacts different people in different ways. Please be mindful of this as we move through the last few days together and hold true to our vision of nurturing each other.

Capenhurst is a community built on a shared purpose and sense of family - something that is very special.

As usual, if you have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to them via email to

contact@capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk

Many thanks, Mrs Green

Dates and events - a few things for the calendar!

Monday 20th July - Sammy's clothing collection—please send in bags of clothes at drop off

Tuesday 21st July - Leavers' Service at Holy Trinity at 11am, followed by Leavers' Lunch

Wednesday 22nd July - School closes for the summer holidays at 1.30pm

Tuesday 1st September - INSET Day - School closed to pupils

Wednesday 2nd September - School opens to pupils at 8.40am for the new academic year

Tuesday 8th September - Swimming lessons start for Class 4 children (details sent via ParentMail)

Monday 14th September - Whole School Flu Vaccinations (nasal spray)

Thursday 17th & Friday 18th September - Year 6 Bikeability

Friday 25th September - School photographs (individuals)

Friday 25th September - Welcome back BBQ! (Details will follow in September)

Wednesday 30th September - Cyber Security visit from Cheshire Police

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.

A few reminders...

- Please ensure that your child's accounts on ParentMail are up to date and all dinners and snack bills are cleared before the end of term, including adult meals at family lunches and the leavers' lunch.
- The last day of term is **Wednesday 22nd July** when school closes for the summer at **1.30pm**. Please make a note of the earlier pick-up time and make suitable arrangements to collect your child/ren.
- Thank you for helping us support the Foodbank once again this year. Your donations have been appreciated and have made a difference to those in need. We will resume our food collections in September.

Change to the menu this week

Due to our leavers' lunch request, there will be a change to the menu this week on Tuesday 21st July and Wednesday 22nd July.

- Tuesday will be roast chicken dinner.
- Wednesday will be pasta and meatballs.

School Meal Update for September

We are pleased to let you know that we have secured a new catering contract for September with Chartwells and Helen will continue to be our school cook. The price of a school meal for children in Years 3 - 6 will reduce to £3.00. Adults will still be charged at £3.35 (for staff and visitors joining us for family lunch). Snacks will remain at the same price of 40p for a slice of toast or half a bagel, and £1.15 for a bacon butty (Fridays only).

Free School Meals

Many families in the borough are struggling to afford the basics, but lots of children who are eligible for Free School Meals (FSM) are not yet receiving them. Following amendments to Free School Meal (FSM) criteria which will apply from September 2026, the assessment service within the Council's Benefits Team are currently undertaking work to develop processes that will ensure this is successfully applied. From the start of the 2026/27 school year, **all children from households in receipt of Universal Credit will be entitled to receive a free school meal.**

Further details are available on the Council's website and applications can be made here: [Free school meals | Cheshire West and Chester Council](#)

School Holiday Support Payments

If you receive Free School Meals and wish to claim support during the school holidays, please see the [School holiday support payment](#) page on the Council's website.

In worship this week...

...we are thinking about moving on and preparing for new ventures either in our own school as we move classes or at a new school for those of moving on to a new setting. Matthew 6:34 says **'Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.'** God is there to support each of us, should we choose to believe, and the school community is there for everyone. Those who are moving on from Capenhurst can be assured they will always have a special place in our community and will always be known as a friend of school.

Swimming Lessons for Class 4

Swimming lessons start for children in Class 4 on Tuesday 8th September. Your child will need to arrive at school on time with their swim wear underneath their school uniform as we will be leaving school at 9.00am promptly in order to arrive at EPSV on time. Please ensure your child brings underwear and a towel each Tuesday morning, and a snack from home if needed, as they may miss morning school break.

Payment should be made via Parentmail as soon as possible, £45.50 by Tuesday 8th September and the remaining £45.50 on or before Tuesday 3rd November. Thank you.

PE Kit

A reminder that our PE kit is a plain **red** round-necked t-shirt and plain, **black or navy** jogging bottoms/leggings, or shorts. Please bear this in mind when shopping for uniform for September.

Term-time 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](#).

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 **curry sauce, milk, tinned meat, tinned vegetables, and pasta sauce**.

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 or during the summer holidays:
(20th July - 31st August)



Orla	Blair	Luke	
Neco	Elise	Laila	Penny
Morena	Lauretta	Bea	Zac

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