



CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

21st September 2026

'An intelligent heart acquires knowledge, and the ear of the wise seeks knowledge.'

Proverbs 18:15

Christian Value - Curiosity



It has been another fantastic week at school, with lots to celebrate. A particular well done to our Year 6 children, who completed their Bikeability training with great resilience, confidence and responsibility. Across school, our children have continued to show hard work, enthusiasm and positive attitudes to learning, taking pride in their achievements and supporting one another. We are looking forward to ending the week with our school BBQ on Friday, bringing everyone together for food, fun and time as a school community. 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, Mr Lambe

Celebrations!

Stars of the week

C1 – Azariah for a fantastic start to school and great work in phonics.

C2 – Keegan for his excellent start to Year 2; his ideas and suggestions in English have been well thought out and his handwriting is well presented.

C3 – Penny for always making fantastic contributions to class discussion.

C4 – Scarlett for being a mature and hard-working member of Year 6.

Infant cup - Frankie for her positive attitude and happiness every day.

Junior cup - Harry for his excellent attitude to learning and any challenge that he is set.

Cheshire Phoenix tickets - Blair for her amazing, grown up attitude in Year 4.

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



Dates and events - a few things for the calendar!

Thursday 24th September - Non-uniform day, in exchange for a bottle donation for our tombola (see overleaf)

Thursday 24th September - Class 3 Farm Visit

Friday 25th September - School photographs (individuals and siblings)

Friday 25th September - Welcome back BBQ! (Please make payment via ParentMail ASAP!)

Wednesday 30th September - Cyber Security visit from Cheshire Police

Thursday 1st October - Class 4 Farm Visit

Thursday 1st October - CDLT Art Day (selected pupils will be notified via ParentMail shortly)

Thursday 15th October - Class 2 Farm Visit

Thursday 22nd October - Class 1 Farm Visit

Friday 23rd October - INSET Day (school closed to pupils)

Monday 26th - Friday 30th October - School closed for the half term break

Monday 2nd November - School reopens to pupils at 8.40am

Wednesday 4th November - Parents' Evening, 4-7pm

Thursday 5th November - Parents' Evening, 4-7pm

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.

Swimming Lessons for Class 4

Swimming lessons continue for children in Class 4 tomorrow. 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.

Please ensure that you have completed the consent form on ParentMail. 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.

School Photographs - Friday 25th September

Academy Photography will be here to take individual and sibling photographs on Friday next week. If you would like photos taken of your child with a younger sibling who is not yet of school age, please head to the village hall at **8.15am**. This should allow sufficient time for photographs and to arrive at school on time at 8.40am when the gate opens.

Friday is PE day - your child should wear their **white school polo shirt** (not red PE t-shirt) **and red jumper/cardigan**, with their **PE joggers and trainers**. Please ensure that long hair is tied back as usual.

If you require a separate proof for each parent (where parents do not live together), please let the school office know before 3pm on Wednesday 23rd September, so that we can arrange this for you.

**In worship this week...**

We have continued to reflect on our Bible quote linked to curiosity: ***'An intelligent heart acquires knowledge, and the ear of the wise seeks knowledge.'*** Proverbs 18:15. We have considered the importance of being kind, supporting others and showing resilience when times get tricky. We have also celebrated how unique and special each one of us is, thinking about the different gifts, talents and qualities that make us who we are. We have explored how, as a school family, we can look out for one another, offer encouragement and appreciate the wonderful differences that make our community special. It has been lovely to see these messages reflected in the children's actions around school, with so many examples of kindness, care and perseverance. We are looking forward to coming together for our whole-school worship in church on Thursday with Reverend Elaine, when we will have another opportunity to reflect, pray and celebrate together.

School Admissions 2027Applying for high school places

Parents with children in Year 6 are reminded that you are able to apply for Year 7 high school places online via the Council's website at [Secondary admissions | Cheshire West and Chester Council](#)

The deadline for high school applications is **Saturday 31st October 2026**.

Reception Admissions

Parents with preschool children due to start school next September are reminded that you need to apply for a reception place online via the Council's website at [Making an application | Cheshire West and Chester Council](#)

The deadline for primary school applications is **Friday 15th January 2027**.

Class 3 Farm Visit - Thursday 24th September

Every half term, each class has the opportunity to visit one of the farms in the village to take part in forest school activities. The children in Class 3 will take part in their first visit of the academic year on Thursday.

As Thursday is a non-uniform day (in exchange for a bottle for our tombola), your child will need to come to school in clothes suitable for the farm, which you don't mind getting mucky! The children should wear long bottoms eg. tracksuit or leggings (not shorts), due to the hay and long grass. Your child should wear a pair of trainers to school and bring a pair of wellies (preferable) or old trainers for the morning trip in a separate named bag. Your child will also need a jumper/hoodie and a coat. An extra/spare pair of socks would be a good idea in case feet get wet!

If your child needs insect spray, please administer this at home prior to school. Please do not send any insect spray into school as it will be a distraction and the children should not be carrying medication with them in their coats or bags.

If your child suffers from hayfever, it would be helpful if you could give a dose of antihistamine in the morning before school and email school at contact@capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk to let us know that you have done so.

Back to School BBQ - Friday 25th September

Our back to school BBQ is a ticketed event; **payment MUST be received by Wednesday 23rd September**. Unpaid bills will not be catered for.

Hot and cold drinks will be available on the day - 50p each, cash only.

As well as a BBQ, there will be stalls and games organised by pupils in class 4 and members of Friends of Capenhurst. It is an informal, social occasion with some fundraising and it is held on the school playground. We aim to start about 3.30pm and it is typically finished before 5pm. We hope many of you are able to come along and join us, even if only for a short time, before heading off for the weekend.

Bottle Tombola

Friends of Capenhurst (our Parents' Association) will be having a bottle tombola at the BBQ and ask that each child donates a bottle of something on Thursday 24th September, in exchange for wearing non-uniform. Football kits are not permitted. Please dress sensibly for a school day. If your child's class is visiting the farm on Thursday, they should dress appropriately.

Friends of Capenhurst would welcome parental help on the morning of Thursday 24th September for no more than an hour at school drop off, to label up the bottles with raffle tickets. A few volunteers to set up and run the stall on the Friday afternoon at the BBQ would also be appreciated. Please let Mrs Tranter know if you are able to help. Thank you.

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](#).

Birthday Celebrations

The following children celebrate a birthday this week or during the summer holidays: ((21st - 27th September)

Arabella

Heidi

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.