CAPENHURST CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

16th November 2026

'This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.'

Psalm 118:24

Christian Value - Celebration

We continue to have a strong focus on improving attendance and punctuality across school, recognising that every day and every minute of learning really does matter. We are keen to work together with families to avoid persistent absence and ensure that all children are in school, on time and ready to learn every day. Alongside this, I would like to say a huge thank you to our wonderful tuck shop volunteers for giving up their time and supporting this initiative. It is another lovely example of the community spirit that makes Capenhurst so special. Whether inside school or through the support and kindness shown beyond our gates, there is a genuine sense of togetherness that we should all be incredibly proud of. **It really is a very special community to be part of!**

Thank you those families who have followed our **new Instagram page, @CapenhurstCEPrimarySchool**, we will continue to share more of the wonderful things happening in school over this half term. As always, thank you for your continued support, if you have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to send them via email to: contact@capenhurstcep.cheshire.sch.uk . Many thanks, Mr Lambe

Celebrations!

Stars of the week

C1 – Frankie for improved presentation in her work.
C3 – Edmond for always being kind and a good friend.
C4 – Harvey C for having a positive week and working hard in all areas.
Infant cup - Amelie for increased independence in class.
Junior cup - Jessica for always showing positivity and making good choices.
The winning house was AIR! Congratulations to everyone in Air for their teamwork in earning the most house points during last week.



Dates and events - a few things for the calendar!

Tuesday 17th November - Class 4 Swimming
Tuesday 17th November - Class 1 visit to Buckhurst Plant Hire
Wednesday 18th November - Big Maths for Year 6 at Neston High School
Thursday 19th November - Class 4 Farm Visit (rescheduled date)
Friday 20th November - Please send in your Secret Santa gift donations and unwanted wrapping paper for PTA
Friday 20th November - Odd Socks Day - wear odd socks with PE Kit (for anti-Bullying Week)
Tuesday 24th November - Cyber Security visit for infants
Wednesday 25th November - Year 5 Family Lunch
Thursday 26th November - Class 3 Farm Visit (rescheduled date)
Thursday 3rd & Friday 4th December - Bikeability Learn to Ride for Year 3 & 4 children
Thursday 3rd December - Class 1 Farm Visit (rescheduled date)
Friday 4th December - Secret Santa (organised by Friends of Capenhurst - details to follow)
Thursday 10th December - Infant Nativity - performances at 1.30pm and 6.00pm (details to follow in due course)
Friday 11th December - Christmas Bible Exhibition
Saturday 12th December - Village Christmas Market from 2pm & Carols on the Green from 5pm
Tuesday 15th December - KS2 Carol Service at Holy Trinity Church at 2pm
Wednesday 16th December - Christmas Lunch & Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 17th December - Whole school panto trip
Friday 18th December - School closes at 1.30pm for the Christmas holidays
Monday 4th January - School closed for INSET Day
Tuesday 5th January - School reopens to pupils at 8.40am for the Spring Term
Tuesday 5th January - Class 3 Swimming (coach leaves promptly at 9am)
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, goggles if they have them, and a snack from home if needed, as they may miss morning school break.
Payment should be made via Parentmail as soon as possible; **final payment in full was due on or before Tuesday 3rd November**. Thank you.

In worship this week… *This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.' Psalm 118:24*
In our worship last week we shared a poignant moment as our whole school community came together at 11am on Armistice Day. The children observed an impeccable two-minute silence, showing real respect, maturity and understanding as we remembered those who have served and sacrificed. Thank you to everyone who purchased a poppy and to our wonderful Year 6 children who helped with the sales. This week, our worship will continue to explore **'Love one another…'** giving children further opportunities to reflect on our values and how we live these out in our daily lives. We also look forward to our worship at church on Thursday, led by Reverend Elaine, which promises to be another exciting opportunity to develop our faith and understanding as a school community.

Conway Centre residential payment overdue
The next KS2 residential payment was due on Sunday 1st November. **If you have not yet made payment, please do so ASAP.** The final balance payment is due by Friday 15th January 2027. Please contact Mrs Auld in the office if you have any problems paying on time.

Children in Need
Thank you for your generosity in supporting Children in Need on Friday last week. Together we raised an impressive **£160.10** with our coin trail!

Class 4 Farm Visit - Thursday 19th November
The children in Class 4 will take part in their next visit to the farm on Thursday 19th November. Your child will need to come to school in their PE kit, ensuring that he/she wears 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 their school jumper/cardigan 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.

Nut-free school
A reminder to all that snacks and packed lunches should be **NUT FREE** as there are members of our school community with nut allergies. Please pay particular attention to cereal bars and avoid pesto, Nutella, peanut butter and other nut butters.

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Please provide your child with a **spoon or fork** from home if this is required to eat their packed lunch. Thank you.

Reception Admissions 2027
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**.

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 half term break:
(16th— 22nd Nov)



Keegan George B Josh

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.