



Dear Parents and Carers

Firstly, apologies for the lateness of this newsletter and for interrupting your weekend. I hope you are all well and enjoying some time to relax.

It has been an exciting week at Capel, with some of our Year 6 pupils receiving their 11+ results. We would like to say, no matter what the outcome, we are all incredibly proud of every one of our pupils for the effort that they put in. It is not an easy test to sit, so the dedication and drive that was shown by them is truly inspiring.

You will also be aware that Kent remains in Tier 3, leaving certain restrictions in place. At school we have been very fortunate to have avoided a positive case, however, we do know that other local schools are dealing with positive cases and bubbles closing, and I think it fair to say that there will come a point when Capel is affected. In the event of a positive case within school, we will contact you as soon as possible, so please ensure that you are able to receive messages or calls from us, and that they are answered. We continue to ask visitors on the site to wear masks if they are able, and to keep a safe distance from others. We also would like to remind you about our one-way system, as it would seem that some parents are entering the playground via the wooden side gate. Our one-way system means that parents, except for Years 1 and 2, need to use the green gate next to the car park to enter the site at pick-up time. We would be very grateful if you could remain mindful of this.

This week we have our Enrichment Days and we are very excited to learn new sports. On Wednesday 2nd, it will be years 3,4,5 and 6 who get to try their hand at archery, laser quest, skateboarding and aeroball. On Thursday 3rd, it will be years R,1 and 2's turn. Please ensure your child wears their own comfortable, warm and waterproof clothes.

As always, we thank you for your ongoing support.

Best wishes

Suzanne Farr



Upcoming Dates

2nd and 3rd December—Enrichment Day
(2nd Dec for Years 3-6
3rd December Years R-2)

5th December—Raffle Prize Draw

7th December—Shoebox collection

14th December—Christmas Lunch and wear a Christmas Jumper Day.

16th December—Panto Day!

Children's last day in school

17th and 18th Dec—INSET days

Please also see the calendar on our website.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

We would like to say a very happy birthday to...

Chase in Yr 4

Cameron in Yr 2

And Darcey in Yr 1



RAFFLE

These are our fabulous prizes for our Christmas Raffle. You have until Friday to purchase your tickets to be in with a chance of winning.

Huge thanks to Mrs Maynard for organising such an amazing raffle, especially in these very difficult times.



Online Safety

DO YOU KNOW?

One of the challenges that faces all parents is keeping in touch with what our children are doing online. With many now having their own phones, and being able to access apps for social media, it can be a minefield. Keeping our children safe on these forums is paramount. This means that we, as parents, need to be able to talk to our children about what they are doing, and to be able to have access to their phones. Peer pressure can lead our children to do things that they wouldn't normally do, so we need to approach these issues with open discussion and understanding. For some of our children, Whatsapp can be problematic and I urge parents to talk to their children about the groups chats that they are in. There can be a risk of being treated unkindly by others who would never do it face to face, or they might get caught up in some unkind chat themselves. As they get older and move to Secondary schools, they need to be self assured and confident in using these apps safely to reduce their vulnerability, which is why we take it so seriously in Primary School. If you need any help in either talking to your child about it, or knowing how to put parental controls in place, please do contact us or got to

<https://parentzone.org.uk/resources/ceop>



Thank you Mrs Miles

We would like to say a huge thank you to Tina for spending some of her weekend tidying up the front of our school. She has sorted out the beds and pots and we are very grateful. Tina, you're a superstar!



We have a Superstar in our midst!

Henry will be appearing on CITV'S Scrambled weekend show this Saturday between 7.30-9.30am and will be starring in the 'Outsmart Sam' game within the programme.

He has a busy weekend as he is also looking after Luna and Star.

Well done Henry.

With the 1st December fast approaching, you will notice a Christmas feel at Capel. Classrooms are going to be decorated, with a prize for the best one and children are invited to start bringing in Christmas cards for their own bubbles. All cards must be in by Friday 11th December—late ones will not be given out at school. Please note that we cannot give out class lists due to GDPR. Don't forget Panto Day on the last day, 16th December, where children can dress up in a Christmassy outfit.

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