# Weekly Newsletter

15th October 2021

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

It has been a busy week at Capel, so we have lots to share with you in our newsletter, we hope you enjoy hearing about our learning.

Best wishes

Suzanne Farr

### Upcoming Dates and events

18th October–School photos–individual and in-school siblings only.

19th October-Reading Army Training 2pm

21st October-Kent Test results

21st and 22nd October 9:30-11:30 Open mornings for prospective new parents

25th October-Half Term

1st November- Term 2 starts

5th November-Year 5 Trip to Kent Life

9th and 10th November–Parent Consultations–virtual

12th November–Year 3 Class Assembly (parents invited)

24th November-Science Day

27th November–Christmas Virtual Family Quiz

2nd December-Enrichment Day

6th/7th December-KS1 Xmas production

13th December–Christmas Lunch

16th December-Pupils last Day

This morning we had our special Harvest Festival Assembly. Each class was able to share their way of showing thanks for all that we are fortunate to have. Some shared a poem, others a song and we even had some beautiful artwork. It was also the first time our Year R had joined us for an assembly and they did brilliantly. All the money donated will be going to a local food charity and a local homeless charity, as we consider ways to help those in our community.

We also had a very special visitor today, Mrs Hilary Andrews from the Capel Greenbelt Protection Society. The charity have kindly provided funding for Mrs Lee to be trained as a Forest School Leader, enabling us to run a Forest School in the near future. Today, Mrs Andrews presented us with the cheque

on behalf of the Trustees.

We are very grateful and cannot wait to get started! Thank you.

#### SCHOOL PHOTOS ON MONDAY

Please can your child wear their school uniform top to school, and bring their PE top to change into as they are having their photo taken. They may still wear their jogging

This week Year 2 had their Great Fire of London Day. They were visited by Master Phillip. He taught them all about the Great Fire of London. They explored different shops that you would have found in 1666 and created their own artifacts including, smelling bags, clay pendants, candles and leather bookmarks. In the afternoon they went on an archaeological dig to uncover artifacts from the fire. They used their investigating skills to locate whose shop they had found and what had happened. Thank you to Master Phillip and the parent helpers who made this day possible!











We are over-the-moon to announce that Capel School PTA will be continuing into 2022! The AGM was held last week, and due to new members joining, enough backing has been shown to allow us to continue fundraising and supporting the school for the coming year. So welcome aboard Millie Hill, Alison O'Neil, Kerry Allen, Rosie Hayton and Tim Barretto! We would also like to take this opportunity to thank Ros Cane, Helen Waite and Gordon Hardwick who are all stepping down from their PTA roles. A massive thank you for all the time and energy you have put into making the PTA a success! Jo Barwick will continue to Chair the PTA, and is being joined by Andrew Summers and Kelly Harper as Co-Chairs. Tina Miles is stepping up to Secretary and Laura Gandon to Treasurer. Thank you all - we are sure you will do a wonderful job.

Now with a full PTA team, we are raring to go! The first event planned is a Christmas Virtual Family Quiz on Saturday 27th November. Get in the festive spirit by dressing up, and be in with a chance of winning a hamper! This is sure to be a fun event, so invite your friends and relatives, as you don't have to be a school parent to have a team. We are delighted that Millie Hill has agreed to be Quiz Master for this; some of you will remember the brilliant quizzes she did previously for the village over lockdown. Entry is only £5 per household and it will start at 7pm. Entry details to follow soon...

You have hopefully received a copy of your child's **Christmas card design**, and hope you agree how lovely they all look. This is a final reminder that orders need to be placed today (Friday 15th October), via the form, so Mrs Chilman can ensure they are back in plenty of time.

Plans are also underway for the annual May Fair. We missed this event so much last year that we are already preparing ahead to ensure this one is the best yet! It will be held on **Saturday 14th May** - save the date.

As always thank you for your ongoing support. If you have any questions or think you can help the PTA in any way then please talk to any member.

#### **Black History Month**

In year 5 we read the book 'Look up' which introduced Mae Jemison who we learnt was the first black female astronaut . We then researched her further and found out many more fascinating facts.

In our Key Stage 1 Assembly, we learned about the brave work of Martin Luther King. We learned about his fight against injustice and how he brought people together through peaceful means.

This week we had a very special visit from David Fuller, a real-life author! He spoke to us about how his ideas are turned into books and we learnt about the important of planning and checking our work. David explained it can take months of checking and redrafting before he is ready to share his writing and turn it into a book. He also read some of his latest creation to us and we were able to join in with actions and sound effects.

A big Thank you to Mrs Taylor for arranging this special and inspiring day.



## Football Club

We are looking for a knowledgeable volunteer or two, to help with our Monday football club. We are hoping to play some matches with other schools and we are hoping to give our younger ones a bit of a boost! If you can, please contact Mrs Haffenden on

vhaffenden@capel-tonbridge.kent.sch.uk

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