

# Capel-Le-Ferne Primary School

NEWSLETTER: Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September

*'Learning today for life tomorrow'*



RESPECT

INDEPENDENCE

CONFIDENCE

CREATIVITY

Dear Parents and Carers,

A few key dates for the diary coming up. Please check to see what we have going on at school. I am pleased to have Lucy Adams, our allocated Speech and Language Therapist joining us for a coffee morning on 14<sup>th</sup> October for Reception parents and would encourage parents to attend. Also, please note a change of venue for Harvest Festival from the Church to the school hall. We hope that you can join us. Timings will remain the same. This is due to a clash with the Church timetable.

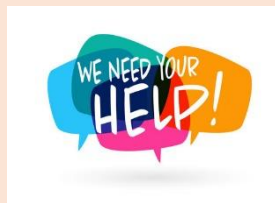
A polite reminder around the importance of safety around the school site at the start and end of the school day. Parents or visitors should not be parking or stopping on the zig-zag lines, or entrance to the school site. This causes congestion around this point and increases the chance of a serious incident with children trying to get into school. Also, could I please ask that all parents and carers use the main path to the school and do not walk up and down the drive way within the school grounds. The school has various deliveries as well as taxis and mini-buses going in and out, and it is not safe for pedestrians. Parents and carers are encouraged to use the path, including when gaining access to the main school office and Reception classroom.

Many thanks for taking the time to read and I hope you have an enjoyable weekend.

Anthony Richards,  
Headteacher

## PFA AGM MEETING

Our first PFA meeting of the year is next Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September. Please come along to support the wonderful things our PFA does to raise funds and support our school. The meeting will be in school at 7.00pm. Hope to see you there!



## CENSUS DAY AND MENU CHANGE

Next Thursday the 2<sup>nd</sup> October, is our Census Day at school. This day is used to calculate our funding for the following year. One measure used to calculate this, is the total number of school dinners taken by Reception and infant children on this day.

The menu for this day will be- breaded chicken steak, herby diced potatoes and baked beans/cucumber sticks, with chocolate shortbread/fresh fruit for dessert. As usual, there will also be the vegetarian/vegan option available. The rest of the week remains the same.

School meals are free for all children up to the end of Year 2. We would like all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 to try a school meal this day. If you do not think your child will eat the school meal available, please send a packed lunch as a backup. However, we would like to encourage as many children as possible to try a school lunch, so will make one available to every Reception and infant child that day.

We'd like to thank you in advance for your support. The more pupils that have a school dinner on this day, the greater the funding for the school.

## Reception: Honeybees

**Albert**- excellent effort blending sounds for reading this week.

**Eleanor**- fabulous work in maths identifying circles and triangles.

## Year 1: Turtles

**Charlie**- For excellent effort in PE with throwing and catching the ball.

**Georgia**- For amazing progress and effort in phonics.

## Year 2: Parrots

**Bowie and Rory** – for their amazing efforts to improve their handwriting this week; including lead-ins! Well done!

## Year 3: Dolphins

**Henry B and Sophie**- for improving their stamina and focus during independent tasks.

## Year 4: Leopards

**Willow** – For amazing work learning our text in English.

**Celina** – Excellent participation and contributions in English.

## Year 5: Rhinos

**Imogen** for an excellent autobiography in character as Marcus Rashford.

**Harry** for excellent rounding of large numbers.

## Year 6: Tigers

**Frankie** – for super effort in Reading

### **LASER LIGHT AND WINTER FESTIVAL**

Capel-le-Ferne and our PFA are excited to announce a Laser Light and Winter Festival this year on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November! Please see the poster below and save the date. More details coming soon!



**Arthur H** – for superb interaction and discussion in all subjects

### **OPAL GOLDEN SEAGULL AWARDS**



**Billy-George** for his positivity at lunch times. This week he has shown some wonderful independence during his playtimes and also been wonderfully caring to his buddy. It's been wonderful to see Billy-George showing his Honeybee buddy how OPAL works and really looking after him.



**Amelia** for being so helpful and kind to both other children and the adults during her lunchtimes. She is always polite and friendly and has been amazing at looking after our loose parts, using them safely and ensuring they are put away properly when she has finished playing with them.

Well done to both children!



### **TIPS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS:**

**How can you keep yourself and your loved ones safe online!**

Each week, we will share a helpful tip to support staying safe online. This week's focus is on cyberbullying.

Cyberbullying is a form of bullying that happens online

and can affect children wherever they are, through social media, online games, or mobile phones. It can happen alongside face-to-face bullying and may include sending threatening messages, sharing embarrassing photos or videos, excluding others from games or group chats, or setting up hate pages. It can also involve trolling, shaming, impersonating someone online, or pressuring children to send explicit messages or engage in inappropriate conversations. As parents and carers, it is important to stay connected with your child and be someone they can talk to if they are feeling upset or worried. Encourage open conversations and let them know they can also turn to you or a trusted adult such as a teacher or organisations like Child line for help and support. Together, we can help keep children safe online.

### **ROCKSTAR DAY- TIMES TABLE ROCK STARS!**

We're excited to let you know that next **FRIDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> OCTOBER**, will be 'Dress as a Rockstar Day' as we kick off a fun and friendly **Times Tables Battle** against **St Augustine's School in Hythe!** To help boost enthusiasm, we're encouraging all children to come to school dressed like rockstars – think leather jackets, funky hair, sunglasses, or anything that shows their inner superstar (no need to buy anything new!). It's all part of our mission to make learning times tables exciting and engaging. Everybody is welcome to dress up, however, the battle with St Augustine's School will commence from Year 3 upwards. Let's get ready to rock our maths!



### **SPEECH, LANGUAGE AND COMMUNICATION DEVELOPMENT IN SCHOOLS**

In 2023, Kent launched the Balanced System to support children with speech and language difficulties in schools. Speech, language, and communication development are vital life skills, linked to learning, attainment, behaviour, social and emotional growth, and mental well-being. We are committed to supporting the development of all our pupils in these areas.

We are working in partnership with our NHS link speech and language therapist, Lucy Adams, alongside specialist teachers, to continuously improve our practice and provision. Our goal is to ensure that all children have the opportunity to reach their full potential. Your child may come into contact with Lucy Adams within their classroom or around the school.

If you have any concerns about your child's speech, language, or communication skills, please speak to your child's class teacher first. Together, we will work with you to agree on the next steps, and you will be kept informed about any plans to support your child.

For more information, please visit [www.thebalancedsystem.org/what-is-it/](http://www.thebalancedsystem.org/what-is-it/).

**COFFEE MORNING WITH LUCY ADAMS, SALT THERAPIST**

We are pleased to invite you to a coffee morning with our Speech and Language Therapist (SALT), Lucy Adams. This session will focus on how you can support your child in reaching their full potential. It will take place from 8:45 AM until approximately 9:45 AM on Tuesday, 14th October and is specifically for parents of children in the Reception class.

Please save the date—more information will follow soon, including an RSVP request. Kindly note that if we do not have enough parents attending, we may not be able to offer similar support opportunities in the future.

We look forward to seeing you there!



**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY-**

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October- Harvest Festival in **The School Hall** (Reception, Years 1, 2 and 3 at 9.30am and Years 4, 5 and 6 at 10.30am)

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October (Parents Evening- more details to follow)

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> October- Individual school photos

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October- INSET DAY (school closed to all pupils)

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October- Pyjamarama (more details to follow)

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November- PFA Laser show and Winter Festival (more details to follow)

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December- Whole School trip to the Pantomime (more details to follow)

**Honours List: Celebrating children who have shown our school values this week**

Honeybees	Turtles	Parrots	Dolphins	Leopards	Rhinos	Tigers
Mollie	Molly	Rhodes	Mia	Aria	George	Nancy
Berrie	Evelyn-Rose	Lewis	Amelia	Isabel	Mayah	Poppy

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Save  
THE  
Date

Capel-Le-Ferne Primary School PFA  
presents:

Laser Light Show &  
Winter Festival



Friday 28th November 2025  
More details coming soon.