

Capel-Le-Ferne Primary School

NEWSLETTER: Friday 10th October 2025

'Learning today for life tomorrow'



RESPECT

INDEPENDENCE

CONFIDENCE

CREATIVITY

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week has truly felt like autumn has arrived with a familiar seasonal buzz around school. Our Harvest Festival was a real highlight. The children sang beautifully, sharing stories and poems they have been learning in class. Thank you to all that joined us and supported the event; it was wonderful to see so many of you there.

We ended the week on a cheerful note by wearing yellow to school, spreading a little sunshine throughout the day. During our end-of-day assembly, we reflected on how small acts—like a smile, a kind word, or lending a helping hand—can brighten not only our own day but also the days of those around us. Wearing yellow was in support of the Young Minds charity, reminding us of the importance of looking after our mental health and supporting one another with kindness and care.

Hope you all have a restful weekend.

Anthony Richards,
Headteacher

Reception: Honeybees

Flossie and Cleo for excellent maths this week counting objects accurately.

Year 1: Turtles

Louie and Rudie-For their super effort with their phonics and reading this week.

Year 2: Parrots

Jaxon – for his amazing work in Maths this week; adding to the next multiple of 10.

Thomas – for his improved handwriting across all areas – not just English!

Year 3: Dolphins

Alfred- for his excellent History knowledge.

Effie- for her excellent instruction writing this week.

Year 4: Leopards

Oliver – Excellent presentation in English this week

Tobiah – Excellent contributions and understanding during our DR comprehension lesson.

Year 5: Rhinos

Bailey for excellent handwriting while writing up his adapted story.

Lily for great work adding and subtracting large numbers.

Year 6: Tigers

Isla – for a wonderful start to her autobiography!

Archie – for super effort in Maths.

YEAR 2- YEAR 6 SPELLING SHED UPDATE

Here at Capel-le-Ferne Primary School, we believe spelling is a key part of every child's writing journey. To support this, we practise spellings weekly in class and have provided each child with login details for the *Spelling Shed* programme, which can also be accessed at home. Starting after half term, we'll be holding weekly spelling tests every Friday. To make learning fun and engaging, we'll also run class competitions to see which class can achieve the highest scores on *Spelling Shed* each week. We encourage you to support your child's progress by practising the weekly spellings together at home. If you're unable to access the online programme, don't worry — every child will receive a paper copy of the spellings to practise each week. If you have any questions about spelling or how best to support your child, please speak to their class teacher. Thank you for your continued support, Mrs Howard.



CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENTS

Well done to Sophie in Year 3 for her swimming achievements. She has been working incredibly hard. Well done!



Well done to Rupert in Year 5 who has come top of his group in his darts tournament. He has made a great improvement in quite a short space of time. Keep up the super work Rupert!



INDIVIDUAL SCHOOL PHOTOS

Next Wednesday is Individual school photo day. Please ensure your child is in full school uniform. Many thanks.



TURTLES TRIP TO THE FARMERS MARKET

In Turtles Class, we have been enjoying the book *Pumpkin Soup* by Helen Cooper. As part of our English work next week, we will be writing instructions on how to make our own pumpkin soup. To support our learning, we visited the Farmers Market at the village hall. The children behaved beautifully, and we received lovely comments from other visitors about how well they represented the school. Some children even brought a delicious cake! On Thursday, we made our pumpkin soup together – and everyone had a chance to taste it. It was absolutely delicious!



NEW RECEPTION INTAKE 2026

Please share with any friends or family that are looking for a school place for Reception 2025

Applications for transfer to primary school for reception year September 2026 will open on Friday 7th November 2025 and close on Thursday 15th January 2026. We warmly invite perspective parents/carers to one of our **Open Evenings**, which will be held on:

- **Thursday 20th November at 6.00pm**
- **Monday 24th November at 4:00pm**

During the session, I'll talk to you about our school, our approach to education, and what your child's learning journey at Capel-le-Ferne could look like. There will be time for questions at the end, and the focus will be on helping you make an informed choice. Please note that these sessions **do not include a school tour**.

We will also be hosting a series of Open Mornings, giving you the opportunity to tour the school and see it in action during a typical day.

These sessions will take place on:

- **Wednesday 26th November at 9:15am**
- **Monday 1st December at 9:15am**
- **Saturday 6th December at 10:00am** (*additional session. Please note: whilst the school will be open for a tour, it will not be a typical school day with all children present*)

If you would like to attend one of these tours, please contact the school office to book a place. This helps us manage numbers and ensure a smooth experience for everyone visiting.

We hope you'll be able to join us and look forward to welcoming you to Capel-le-Ferne Primary School.





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 online gaming. Online gaming can be a fun way for children to play and connect with friends, but it's important to help them stay safe. Check the age ratings of games, be aware of chat features, and talk regularly with your child about who they play with. Set spending limits or use parental controls to manage in-game purchases, and discuss issues like trolling, scams, and how to block or report players. Even if you're not a gamer, checking game content, adjusting privacy settings, and creating a simple family agreement about screen time and behaviour can make a big difference. Remember, games suitable for one child may not be right for another. For more advice, visit www.thinkuknow.co.uk or www.childnet.com **How to Ensure Your Children Stay Safe While Playing Online Games | NSPCC**

OPAL GOLDEN SEAGULL AWARDS



Isabel for being a wonderfully kind member of our school. This week she helped a Honeybee in and out of their wet weather gear at lunch time. She watched her things for her and then gave them back when the child returned. This made the Honeybee feel safe and secure and she managed the school routine independently because of it.



Noah, Arthur, Ashley, Alex and Andy for really enjoying their lunchtimes now we have more sports equipment out. They make sure everyone is included in their game, share the equipment around to ensure everyone who wants to play, can play. They are kind to others and always make sure their play is safe.

PARENTS' EVENING

Parents' Evening slots have now been sent home. If you are yet to return a form, or do not receive a slip by the end of tomorrow, please speak directly to the class teacher who will fit you in.

LASER LIGHT AND WINTER FESTIVAL

Together with our PFA we are excited to announce our Laser Light and Winter Festival this year on Friday 28th November! Please see the poster below and save the date. More details coming soon!



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY-

- Tuesday 14th October and Thursday 16th October- Parents' Evening
- Wednesday 15th October- Individual school photos
- Monday 27th October- INSET DAY (school closed to all pupils)
- Friday 31st October- Pyjamarama (more details to follow)
- Friday 28th November- PFA Laser show and Winter Festival (more details to follow)
- Thursday 11th December- EYFS and KS1 Nativity (9.30am & 1.30pm)
- Monday 15th December- Whole School trip to the Pantomime (more details to follow)
- Tuesday 16th December- KS2 Christmas Performance (9.30am and 2.00pm)
- Wednesday 17th December- Whole School Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day

Honours List: Celebrating children who have shown our school values this week						
Honeybees	Turtles	Parrots	Dolphins	Leopards	Rhinos	Tigers
Mylo Elora	All of Turtle Class for their absolutely amazing behaviour on our trip to the Farmers Market. 😊	All of Parrot Class for their absolutely amazing Harvest Celebration performance! Well done! 😊	Jude Henry B	Easton Lottie	Arthur Horatio	Rachel Olivia J

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