

Capel-Le-Ferne Primary School

NEWSLETTER: Friday 23rd January 2026

'Learning today for life tomorrow'



RESPECT

INDEPENDENCE

CONFIDENCE

CREATIVITY

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been another busy and productive week at school, with lots of great learning and activities taking place across the school. Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

I hope everyone has a restful and enjoyable weekend, and we look forward to seeing many of you at the PFA Quiz Night on Friday 6th February, please see more details below- we hope it will be a fun evening for all!

Anthony Richards,
Headteacher

PFA QUIZ NIGHT

Together with the PFA, we are delighted to invite you to our Quiz Night on **Friday 6th February**. These type of events help raise valuable funds that directly support our school and our pupils. We hope it will be a fun evening!

Please see the attached poster for full details, including timings, location, and how to take part.

Thank you for your continued support and we hope to see many of you there.



Reception: Honeybees

Zohan and Mollie- for a fabulous retelling of the gingerbread man.

Year 1: Turtles

Joseph and Felicity- For amazing story retelling of The Tiger Who Came To Tea with beautiful presentation.

Year 2: Parrots

Rhodes – for his amazing efforts to improve his handwriting!
Ava – for her wonderful effort and hard work to make super progress in Maths.

Year 3: Dolphins

Bella- for her quick mental arithmetic skills.
Alfred- for his excellent knowledge of division.

Year 4: Leopards

Easton – Amazing work writing a balanced argument.
Lottie – Excellent understanding of multiplying by 10 and 100.

Year 5: Rhinos

Penelope – for a superb setting description.
George – for his excellent attitude to tricky work in maths.

Year 6: Tigers

Alex – for a superb, well-structured biography
Aleasha – for excellent questioning in Maths

PARENT COFFEE MORNING WITH THE EWT ☺

Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend a Parent Coffee Morning with the Emotional Wellbeing Team:

📅 Thursday 5th February

🕒 8:45am

📍 At school

This is a great opportunity to meet the team informally, ask questions, and find out more about the support available. Please RSVP via the school office, by Monday 2nd February to confirm if you would like to attend. Many thanks.



MFL-LANGUAGE OF THE WEEK

As a school, we are looking to promote oracy and increase children's vocabulary through new oracy strategies and also through Modern Foreign Languages (MFL). MFL is also shown to improve problem solving skills, creativity and memory. As a school, we are lucky enough to be positioned close to other countries in Europe where children may have the opportunity to visit and practice their language skills. In Key Stage 2, we already teach French as part of the National Curriculum but feel passionately that exposing the children to a variety of languages at an early age will benefit them in their lives and work in the future. To encourage this we will be having a 'language of the week' that all classes will be taught on a Monday. At this stage, the children will be taught 'Hello' or 'Good Morning' and 'please' in the week's chosen language so they are able to use this to answer the register and in assemblies. Each week we will let you know what language we have covered so you can talk about this with your children at home and hopefully prompt them to recall the new vocabulary. This week's language is **French** so children have been taught '**Bonjour**' (Good Morning) and '**s'il vous plait**' (please). We hope you enjoy exploring the languages of the world with us.

Mrs Mclatchie ☺



ORACY AT HOME

In last week's newsletter we explained how as a school we value the importance of oracy within our curriculum, daily school life and also the part it plays in creating a sense of belonging and community. To encourage this in school and at home, we are launching an 'oracy at home' feature which includes a topic for discussion at home and at school with some ideas for questioning and discussion. This week's topic is-

How important is it to know about the author behind the book?

Things to talk about at home

- What type of books do you like to read, and who are some of your favourite authors? Ask others at home about their reading preferences.
- Do you feel it's important to know about the author of a book you read? Is it important to you to read books by authors from different backgrounds and with different experiences? What do others at home think?

Happy chatting!
Mrs Mclatchie ☺



TIPS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS: Online Safety – Let's Talk About It!

This week we are still thinking about the sharing of information. Not everything online is safe to share, and children need guidance on making smart choices.

Encourage your child to think before posting or sending anything online. Questions like "Would I be happy if everyone saw this?" can help them make safer decisions. Reinforce that some information, like personal addresses or school locations, should never be shared on public platforms. Sharing safely also means knowing who can see the content—they should only share with people they trust.

OUTDOOR LEARNING

Learning outdoors supports children's creativity, communication, and confidence, while also promoting teamwork and active engagement. As a school, we are committed to increasing outdoor learning opportunities, as they help children develop essential life skills through hands-on experiences. Each week, we will be sharing updates on what different classes have been exploring during their outdoor learning sessions. This week, Reception have been enjoying the story *The Gingerbread Man*, using it as a focus for outdoor learning and collaboration. Working together, the children shared ideas, listened to one another, and combined their problem-solving skills to design and build a trap to catch the Gingerbread Man!



OUR FIRST SPELLING CHAMPIONS!

As you know we launched a new weekly spelling competition across the school (from Year 1-6) to raise the profile of spelling this week.

The class with the most sheets completed and returned to school this week were.....

PARROT CLASS

Children have received a printed copy of their spellings for next week. Once these sheets are completed, **we ask that your child returns it to their class teacher by next Friday.**

Good luck again everyone! Happy spelling! ☺
Mrs Howard



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY-Friday 6th February- Tag Day and Cake SaleFriday 6th February- PFA Quiz NightTuesday 24th and Wednesday 25th February- Parents' Evening (AMENDED DATES- more details will follow)Thursday 5th March- World Book Day (More details to follow)Thursday 2nd April- Last Day of TermMonday 20th April- First Day of Term 4**Honours List: Celebrating children who have shown our school values this week**

Honeybees	Turtles	Parrots	Dolphins	Leopards	Rhinos	Tigers
Elijah Jaxon	Molly Oliver	Azlan Roo	All of Dolphins class!	Willow Freddie	All of Rhinos class!	Rachel Stanley

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QUIZ NIGHT

FRIDAY
6TH FEBRUARY
7PM

£5 PER ADULT. £3 PER CHILD.
TABLES OF 6.

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS AND SNACKS.
IF YOU HAVE ANY UNWANTED CHRISTMAS GIFTS
PLEASE BRING THESE IN FOR A RAFFLE TOO!

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