

BILLINGE CHAPEL END

— SCHOOL & NURSERY —

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

30th April 2021



Themed Weeks

At Chapel End Primary School we provide a broad curriculum offer. Part of this offer is for all of our children to learn about events from different religions, traditions, cultures and ways of life from around the globe. Teachers will incorporate activities linked to these themes into blended learning.

Week beg 03/5

Children's Book Week &
Deaf Awareness Week

Week beg 10/5

Allergy Awareness and Vegetarian
Week

Week beg 17/5

Walk to School Week

Week beg 24/5

Cultural Diversity Week



Non Uniform Week

On Friday 16th July and every day during week beginning 19th July, we are asking children to come to school in their own clothes. The reason for this is to provide our families with the opportunity to recycle any unwanted badged cardigans, jumpers or other unbadged uniform such as summer dresses that are in good condition. We will kindly receive donations of unwanted uniform on Friday 16th July and we will open an onsite uniform shop in our Breakfast Club room each morning at 9:15am during week beginning 19th July. Parents and carers will be able to purchase items of uniform for £3 and all money raised will go towards further improving our outdoor facilities around school.

This is an initiative that we wish to continue each year and in addition, if we have any items of clothing left over we will provide the same service when Christmas and Summer school festivals resume.



Our school has been chosen to be part of an exciting nationwide challenge to encourage more children and their families to walk to school. **WOW – the year-round walk to school challenge** is delivered by Living Streets, the UK charity for everyday walking, to help as many children as possible experience the benefits of walking to school.

WOW is a pupil-led initiative where children self-report how they get to school every day. If they travel sustainably (walk, cycle or scooter) twice a week for a month, they get rewarded with a badge. It's that easy!

What are the benefits of walking to school? Walking to school helps children feel happier and healthier and they arrive refreshed, fit and ready to learn. More families walking means fewer cars on the road during the school run, helping to reduce congestion and pollution at the school gates.

What if you can't walk to school? If you live too far away or don't have time to walk the whole way to school, you can Park and Stride to help your child earn their WOW badge. Park or hop off the bus **at least ten minutes away** from the school and walk the rest of the way.

Is walking to school safe at this time? Walking to school remains an effective way to reduce congestion and improve road safety at the school gates, while increasing physical activity and benefitting pupil wellbeing. The government is actively working with schools and local authorities to encourage families to walk to school whenever they can during this time.

Our new initiative started this week and you can find more information on our school Dojo. If you have any questions about the programme, please contact Mrs Knowles in school or for more information visit:

<https://www.livingstreets.org.uk/wow>

Let's swap those school runs for school walks!



Olympic Sports Event—Date for your Diary



This week you will have received a letter regarding our Olympic Sports Event. The events will take place on: **TUESDAY 18TH MAY for EYFS and KS1 children (Years 1 and 2)**

THURSDAY 20TH MAY for KS2 children (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6)

Both events will begin at 1pm and children should be collected from their classroom at the usual time.

The events on the day will be competitive but fun and will include a range of athletic activities. I am sure the children (and the teachers!) will have a fabulous afternoon. Children should wear PE kit on the day—your child's class teacher will remind you of this nearer the time. Children should also wear a hat and sun cream if the weather is hot. Unfortunately, due to restrictions still in place, this will be a 'closed' event, but we look forward to the day when we can welcome parents as spectators at sporting events.

As with all good things, there is a charge for this event—please note this is just to pay for the coaches and equipment, it is a 'non-profit' charge. We are asking for a contribution of £2 per child, or £3 (per family) if you have more than one child at school. Please use your SchoolMoney account to contribute.

Punctuality

Please may we remind parents that if you have children who have start times that are staggered at the beginning of the day, then please drop both children off at the earlier start time of 8:50am. Any child who is due to begin school at 8:50am and arrives after 9.00am will be marked as late in line with Local Authority guidelines.



PTFA



Bedding Plants Delivery

Just a quick reminder to jog your memories! The plants are due to be delivered on **Monday 10th May** so could anyone who has put an order in, please remember to collect them from school at the end of the school day. We will let you know how much money was raised as soon as we can.

Thank you for your support.

Easy Fundraising App

Thank you to everyone who has already signed up to this App. The concept is very simple, you need to download the Easy Fundraising App and then nominate Billinge Chapel End PTFA as your chosen cause. After that for any shopping you do through the App a donation will be given to the PTFA. This is at no extra cost to you but is really beneficial to school especially at the moment when we are unable to hold many of our regular events. We have raised over £200 in a very short space of time.

As things start to return to normal it is worth noting that lots of the holiday firms such as Booking.com, Haven, Travelodge etc can be accessed through the App. So if you are looking to travel and you have the App, please remember to support Chapel End.

Once again many thanks for your continued support.



Gardening Week!





Congratulations to the following children who were praised this week. Children who are attending school from each class have their work placed on Mr Hewitt's Wonder Wall to celebrate their achievements.

	<u>Pupil of the Week</u>	<u>Wonder Wall</u>
Nursery	Darcy Hughes	Luna McMinnis
Reception	Molly Haworth	Isaac Williams
Y1	Archie Bate	Megan Pilling
Y2	Daisy-Mae McKenna-Charge	Ayva Lowery
Y3	Miley Hunter	Tilly Burrows
Y4	Amelia Ennis	Max Parsley
Y5	Scarlett Middlehurst	Heidi Blanchfield
Y6	Zachary Sheil	Thomas Hitchen

Captain Tom 100 challenge



Today all of our children in school completed a Sir Captain Tom 100 challenge. Class teachers along with the children chose an activity that they completed 100 times. The challenge is inspired by Sir Tom Moore, who raised over £32 million for the NHS and other good causes during the pandemic. Thank you for your kind voluntary donation towards your child completing their challenge. Half of the money will go towards supporting carers at Willowbrook Hospice and half will go towards our school outdoor environment. If you haven't already done so, donations can be paid through your 'SchoolMoney' account. We will let you know how much money we managed to raise on next week's newsletter. Thank you for your support!



100 challenge!



Keeping up with the Children English and Maths Workshops



Do you want to know how your child is taught English and Maths in Schools?
Do you want to improve your level of English and Maths? If so please see
flyers at the end of this week's newsletter detailing free 6 week online courses
starting next Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th May.

REMINDER: Bank Holiday - Monday 3rd May

A reminder that school will be closed on Monday 3rd May due to the May Bank Holiday and
re-opens on **Tuesday 4th May**.

Fingers crossed for some nice weather!



Next Week in School

Monday 3rd May

School Closed **BANK HOLIDAY**

Thursday 6th May

Y3/4 Dodgeball 3.15-4.15pm (3 of 5)

Tuesday 4th May

School Re-opens

Children's Book Week

Deaf Awareness Week

Guitar Lessons

Y1/2 Dodgeball 3.15-4.15pm (3 of 5)

Y3/4/5 & 6 Football with Mr Montrose 3.15-
4.15pm

Friday 7th May

Wednesday 5th May

Brass Lessons

Y5 String lessons

Y4/5 & 6 Netball with Mrs Grimshaw 3.15-
4.15pm



**Do you want to know how
your child is taught English in
schools?**

**Do you want to improve your
level of English?**

Keeping Up with the Children English Workshops

Improve your knowledge and understanding of:

- internet safety for IT users
- how phonics is taught in school
- spelling strategies
- grammar
- punctuation



Free 6-week online course via Teams

Tuesday 4th May 1.15-2.15pm

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**Do you want to know how
your child is taught maths in
schools?**

**Do you want to improve your
level of maths?**

Keeping Up with the Children maths Workshops

Improve your knowledge and understanding of:

- internet safety for IT users
- the language of maths
- calculation methods for +, -, x and ÷
- shape and measures
- fractions



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