



# BILLINGE CHAPEL END



— SCHOOL & NURSERY —

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 23rd February 2024

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## 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.

## Week Beginning

26.02.24  
School Governors

04.03.24  
Ramadan

11.03.24  
Protected Characteristics

18.03.24  
Holi

25.03.24  
Easter

## Dates for your diary

26.02.24  
Parents evening (Y1 & Y2)

27.02.24  
Parents evening  
(Whole school except Y1)

29.02.24  
Parents evening  
(Whole school except Y2)



**OPEN DAY!**  
**Friday 19th**  
**April 2024**  
**9:30 - 11:30**

**BILLINGE  
CHAPEL END  
PRIMARY  
SCHOOL**

Or phone  
for a school tour!

Pre-school places  
available for  
September 2024

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## Polite Reminder

Please could school issue a gentle reminder regarding the following policies and procedures here at Chapel End Primary School:

### Snacks

Children are given time to eat their snack in the classroom before morning playtime. Please could you ensure that this snack is healthy. If your child has crisps, sweets, chocolate or other sugary/salty food, they will be asked to put it away and eat that as a desert with their lunch. They will be offered a fruit alternative if this happens. No snacks should be given to children for afternoon breaktime.

### Drinks

Drinks to be accessed within the classroom must be clear drinks, preferably just water. Cordial is only allowed with lunches. No fizzy drinks are permitted.

### Earrings

Earrings are to be clear plastic small studs. Parents will be contacted to ask them to remove earrings if they are not in line with this policy.



Next half term our PSHE/Coram Scarf lessons will focus on 'Rights and Respect'. Here are some of the themes the children will be exploring....

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Looking after things: friends, environment, money	Taking care of things: Myself My money My environment	Cooperation Self-regulation Online safety Looking after money - saving and spending	Skills we need to develop as we grow up Helping and being helped Looking after the environment Managing money	Making a difference (different ways of helping others or the environment) Media influence Decisions about spending money	Rights, respect and duties relating to my health Making a difference Decisions about lending, borrowing and spending	Understanding media bias, including social media Caring: communities and the environment Earning and saving money Understanding democracy

### Year 5 & 6 Football Training

Football training will start

Tuesday 5th March 3.15-4.15pm



### Years 3,4,5 & 6 Netball Training

Netball training will start

Wednesday 28th February 3.15-4.15pm



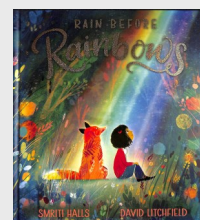
## World Book Day

We are celebrating World Book Day in school on **Thursday 7th March**.

Our focus text this year is 'Rain before Rainbows' by Smriti Halls. It is an inspiring pictures book giving the message that there is always a way out of the darkness.

On the day, we are asking everyone to wear brightly coloured clothing.

Your child has brought home a £1 National Book Token—this can be used towards purchasing a new book or swap the token for a FREE book. For further details please find more information on the reverse of the book token.



Together at Chapel End Primary School this year we are joining the Red Nose Day campaign.

Children can wear non-uniform and wear red and white!

If you would like to make a donation go to [www.comicrelief.com](http://www.comicrelief.com) website and click the green 'donate' tab at the top of the page.

## PTFA Spring Term Events

### Mother's Day Gift Shop

With Mother's Day approaching we have decided to give the children at Chapel End the opportunity to purchase a small gift for the special people in their lives. These gifts will be personalised and will be presented in a gift bag with a tag that the children can write themselves. All gifts will be £3.00. In order to avoid too many children shopping at once and to give the children the opportunity to save their pocket money we will be providing specific shopping days for each class on the following dates:

Y5 and Y6 — Monday 26th February

Y3 and Y4 — Tuesday 27th February

Y1 and Y2 — Wednesday 28th February

EYFS — Thursday 29th February

Mother's Day this year is on Sunday 10th March.

Many thanks in anticipation for your support.

### Easter Bingo

Easter Bingo will take place on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March - 3.30-5.00pm.

Tickets are priced at £3 each and include several games of bingo. There will also be a raffle and refreshments available. In order for us to be able to comply with Fire Regulations and also to make sure that we can comfortably seat everybody, everyone attending needs to purchase a ticket. Tickets will go on sale on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March from the school office. Please try to ensure you have the correct change when purchasing your tickets. Thank you.



### Nursery & Infant Easter Bonnet Parade



It is traditional at Chapel End to hold an 'Easter Bonnet Parade' for all Nursery and Infant children. This will take place on Thursday 28th March and we very much hope that all children will participate.

We hope that, with your help, your child will make a simple Easter or Spring hat to bring to school on that day. Small prizes will be given to the 'best' ones in each class. Hopefully the weather will be fine and the children will be able to go home wearing their decorated hat. Please speak with your child's teacher if you require any further information.

## Y6 Booster Classes

In preparation for the Year 6 children's SATS in May, Booster classes are on Thursdays (except 27.03.24) 3.15-4.30pm and will cover Maths and English. Children are invited to bring an additional snack and drink to have at 3.15pm before their class begins.

Thursday 29th February

Thursday 7th March

Thursday 14th March

Thursday 21st March

Wednesday 27th March

After the Easter holidays, the sessions will be on the following dates:

Thursday 18th April

Thursday 25th April

Thursday 2nd May

Thursday 9th May

## Y6 Residential - 20th to 22nd May 2024 Manor Adventure, Willersley Castle, Peak District

For the children that are attending the Y6 residential in May 2024, the payment balance has been added to your child's SchoolMoney account. It has been set up so that you can pay as much as you want, when you want, but must be **paid in full by 31st March 2024. THIS IS 5 WEEKS AWAY.**

Spending money of 3 x £1 coins (in an envelope please) can be handed to the school office any time from now until May.

A meeting will be arranged for April 2024 with detailed information regarding activities, room arrangements and kit lists. You will also be able to ask any questions you may have and discuss, if necessary, any special needs.



## Sports for Schools

Thank you to everyone that took part in Sports for Schools.

We raised an amazing £878.87 to purchase new sports/ PE equipment for school.

Thank you for your continued support.



## Important -Advanced Information!!

In line with the majority of schools across the borough, we now finish early on the final day of each **term** (end of half terms will be normal times). Please note on Thursday 28th March school finishes at the following times:

**1.50pm Nursery, Reception,**

**2.00pm Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6**

**Please ensure you are at school in plenty of time to pick up your child promptly.**

**NB: The last After School Club of the term will be Wednesday 27th March.**

## E Safety

I would like to direct all parents and carers to the E Safety section of our school website. Information about how to add parental controls to your child's digital devices along with many more useful tips can be found on there.

## Dates for the Diary

### February

Monday 26th February & Thursday 29th February — Year 1 Parents Evening  
Monday 26th February & Tuesday 27th February — Year 2 Parents Evening  
Tuesday 27th February — Parents Evening (EYFS & KS2)  
Thursday 29th February — Parents Evening (EYFS & KS2)

### March

Thursday 7th March — World Book Day  
Friday 15th March — Comic Relief Red Nose Day  
Friday 22nd March — Non-uniform Day (chocolate donation)  
Tuesday 26th March — Easter Bingo  
Thursday 28th March — EYFS Easter Bonnet Parade  
Thursday 28th March — School closes for half term at 1.50/2pm

### April

Monday 15th April — School re-opens  
Friday 19th April — Open Day  
Tuesday 23rd April — Leavers Photos

### May

Monday 6th May — Bank Holiday  
Monday 13th May — Friday 17th May SATS week  
Monday 20th May — Wednesday 22nd May - Year 6 Residential  
Thursday 23rd May — EYFS & KS1 Sports Day (am) and KS2 (pm)  
Thursday 23rd May — School closes for half term

### June

Monday 3rd June — School re-opens  
Wednesday 12th June — Year 1 & 2 end of Year School trip  
Friday 14th June — Year 3 & 4 end of year school trip

### July

Friday 5th July — Summer Fair  
Wednesday 17th July — Year 6 production  
Tuesday 23rd July — Year 6 Leavers Assembly  
Tuesday 23rd July — School closes at 2pm

### September

Wednesday 4th September — School re-opens





### Pupil of the Week

### Wonder Wall

**Nursery**

**Emelia Metters**

**Lucy McGilvray**

**Reception**

**Etta Green**

**Hudson Cartwright**

**Y1**

**Emilia Stein**

**Bobby O'Toole**

**Y2**

**Lewis Taylor**

**Harry Hudson**

**Y3**

**Isaac Williams**

**Freddie Robertson**

**Y4**

**Sonny McMinnis**

**Charlie Williams**

**Y5**

**Isla Jackman**

**Corey Davies**

**Y6**

**Leah Pilling**

**Charlotte Ford**

### Class Attendance for w/c 5th February

<u>Class</u>	<u>% attendance for week</u>
Nursery	85.1
Reception	98.9
Year One	95.3
Year Two	88.3
Year Three	99.1
Year Four	96.1
Year Five	97.6
Year Six	98.4

**The national target for attendance in Primary schools is 96%**

Well done to Reception and Years 3,4,5 & 6 for hitting our 96% attendance target!!

**By continuing to work together I am sure that we can get all classes meeting 96%.**

### Volunteers

A number of classes in school need volunteers to help with reading. If you are able to spare a morning or afternoon, or even an hour to help in school, we would be extremely grateful. Please inform Mrs Montrose when you would be able to help and if you have a preference for a particular age group. Thank you for your support.



## School Diary — Next week in School

### Monday 26th February

Reception, Years 1 and 2 Multisports (6 of 10)  
3.15-4.15pm

### Tuesday 27th February

Steve's Boccia and Kurling Years 1 and 2 (6 of 9)  
3.15-4.20pm  
Keyboard and Guitar lessons

### Wednesday 28th February

Toddler Group 9.30-11am  
Netball 3.15-4.15pm.

### Thursday 29th February

Steve's circuit training Years 3, 4 and 5 (6 of 9)  
3.15-4.20pm  
Drumming lessons  
Year 6 Booster Class 3.15-4.30pm

### Friday 1st March

String lessons



### Term Dates for 2023-2024

	Opens on	Closes on
Autumn Term 2023	Wed 6 Sept	Fri 27 Oct
Autumn Term 2023	Tues 7 Nov	Thurs 21 Dec
Spring Term 2024	Mon 8 Jan	Fri 9 Feb
Spring Term 2024	Mon 19 Feb	Thurs 28 March
Summer Term 2024	Mon 15 April	Thurs 23 May
Summer Term 2024	Mon 3 June	Tues 23 July

School also closed:  
May Day—Monday 6th May 2024

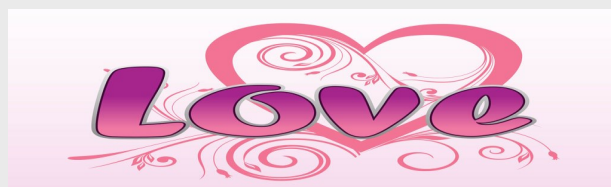
### Term Dates for 2024-2025

	Opens on	Closes on
Autumn Term 2024	Wed 4 Sept	Thurs 24 Oct
Autumn Term 2024	Mon 4 Nov	Fri 20 Dec
Spring Term 2025	Mon 6 Jan	Thurs 13 Feb
Spring Term 2025	Mon 24 Feb	Fri 4 April
Summer Term 2025	Tues 22 April	Thurs 22 May
Summer Term 2025	Mon 2 June	Tues 22 July

School also closed:  
May Day—Monday 5th May 2025

These term date cards are available to collect  
at the school office.

Our school Value of this half term is  
**LOVE**



## Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club runs from 7.30-8.50am each morning. It costs £6 per session and should be paid IN ADVANCE via SchoolMoney.

## After School Club

After School Club runs from 3.15-5.30pm each evening. It costs £8 per session and, like the Breakfast Club, should be paid IN ADVANCE via SchoolMoney.

Both of these clubs are extremely popular and we are limited to numbers.

**IMPORTANT**—We do have procedures in place for booking places in both of these clubs. Firstly, please email school by 1.00pm on a Friday for the sessions you would like booking for the following week ([chapelend@sthelens.org.uk](mailto:chapelend@sthelens.org.uk)). The costs for both clubs are shown above. When you book by email you then need to total the cost of your sessions and add this to your child's SchoolMoney account. You can add this in the Club top-up section on the account.

If you need to attend Breakfast Club in an emergency, on a day that you haven't booked, please ring Breakfast Club on that morning and see if there is a place available. Likewise, if you need After School Club and you haven't booked in please ring school and we can see if there is a space.

If you need to cancel a booking on the day please ring school and speak to a member of staff to inform them that you don't need the place on that day. This place can then be offered to another child. If you need to cancel a future booking you can do this by email.

Please be aware that staff have the authority to refuse a booking if the SchoolMoney account is not up to date.

## Change of Meal Arrangements

Please note that meal arrangements can only be changed after each school holiday.

The next time your child can change their meal arrangements is after the Easter holiday.

If you would like to change your child's meal arrangements after Easter, please email school at [chapelend@sthelens.org.uk](mailto:chapelend@sthelens.org.uk) by Tuesday 26th March.



## Fish Friday Payments

Please remember Fish Friday is paid **in advance of the term.**

Please note Fish Friday for this half term is **£13.00 (5 weeks).**



## School Uniform Shop

Our onsite uniform shop is open before and after school. Parents and carers are able to purchase items of uniform for £2 each or 3 for £5. All polo shirts are 2 for £1.

Any items purchased can be paid in cash or on School Money, Thank you.

