

BILLINGE CHAPEL END

— SCHOOL & NURSERY —



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

8th October 2021

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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 Beg 11th Oct

National Baking Week

Week Beg 18th Oct

Halloween

Week Beg 1st Nov

Veg Pledge

Week Beg 8th Nov

Friendship Week

Week Beg 15th Nov

Road Safety Week



As you know we have increased COVID safety measures, but let's focus on our happy children and their amazing achievements! Well done children!

Black History Month

This week our assemblies have focused on inspirational people in Black History.

A good link that families can share at home with their children relating to black history education is:

[Black History Month - Teacher Resources - BBC Teach](#)



Open Evening - De La Salle, Mill Brow, Eccleston, St Helens

Current Y5 & 6 open evening planned for yesterday, Thursday 7th October has now been postponed with a new provisional date of 21st October. Please check De La Salle's website for latest details.

www.delasalle.st-helens.sch.uk



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Football Shirt Sponsorship

Do you run your own business? Are you looking for a new advertising opportunity?

If you answered yes to these questions, would you be interested in having your company's name on our school football shirts? The shirts would be worn approximately 20 times over a school year and would be photographed on each occasion, with exposure on newsletters, school website, social media platforms and whole school Dojo pages.

If this is something you might be interested in, please contact Mr Montrose via dojo, email (chapelend@sthelens.org.uk) or telephone (01744-678230). Many thanks.

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.

Y6 PGL Holiday 2022 - 15th-17th June 2022

All Year 6 children recently received a letter about next year's PGL holiday.

If your child is attending, the amount of £300 has now been added to your child's SchoolMoney account. It has been set up so you can pay as much as you want, when you want, but please ensure that at least £100 is paid by the Christmas break. The full balance will need to be paid by Friday 1st April 2022.

The cost of the holiday is £300 per child. This does not include spending money. We allow the children to have £6 spending money. As this will be held by staff on the holiday, we ask that the £6 is handed to the school office any time from now until June. Please send this as 6 x £1 coins (in an envelope please) so it can be easily distributed to the children on each day at PGL. Thank you.



School Facilities Hire

Reminder: Please be aware that our school field and hall are available for hire after school and at weekends to any local teams, fitness groups, dance troops or any other organised groups. Please contact the school office to book an appointment with Mr Hewitt if you are interested in booking regular slots.



Morrisons 'It's Good to Grow' Campaign



Reminder: Morrisons are currently running an 'It's Good to Grow' campaign to encourage children to grow their own food, because the more they know about how food is grown and made, the better they'll eat.

If you shop at Morrisons, you can now collect 'grow tokens' for our school.

All you need to do is download the MyMorrisons app, register and select our school. The app can then be scanned at the checkout or used online. You will receive a 'grow token' for every £10 spent.

Winter Uniform

After the half term holiday all children should be in full winter uniform.

Boys Uniform

Red round-neck school jumper displaying the Chapel End Primary School emblem.
White polo T-shirt
Grey trousers
Plain grey socks
Black school shoes

Girls Uniform

Red round-neck school jumper or red school cardigan displaying the Chapel End Primary School emblem.
White polo T-shirt
Plain grey pinafore, grey skirt (appropriate length) or grey trousers
Grey tights
Grey socks (recommended for Winter)
Black Shoes

Haircuts

We do not permit children to have extreme haircuts such as shaved patterns or mohican styles as they are inappropriate for the school setting. We would ask that hair is no shorter than a clipper setting of number 2 and any child, male or female, with a long hair length will be asked to tie their hair up.

Hair Accessories

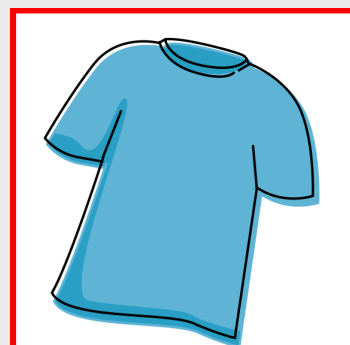
We ask that hair accessories such as headbands, clips, bows and bobbles are red or black in colour. Please also ensure that they are kept to an acceptable size and keep them as plain as possible.

Nursery

Children of Nursery age are permitted to wear black or grey jogging trousers to support gross motor skill activities and toilet training.

Underlayers

Due to increased ventilation in school and the weather becoming colder, we would like to remind parents and carers that children can wear underlayers sometimes referred to as 'skins' beneath their normal uniform or PE kit.



Change of Meal Arrangements

If you would like to change your child's meal arrangements after half term, please email school at chapelend@sthelens.org.uk by **Wednesday 20th October**.

Dinner Money Payments

Please note dinner money is paid **in advance of the week** via SchoolMoney. Dinner money is now £2.50 per day (£12.50 per week).

When you log on to SchoolMoney the figure shown is your current balance either in credit or debit as at that particular day.

Debit Balance

Please remember to pay the figure that is shown as owing **plus** the cost of any remaining meals due to be taken by your child for that week.

Credit Balance

If your balance is in credit, please ensure you have enough credit for any remaining meals due to be taken by your child for that week. If not, a further payment will need to be paid to bring your account up to date.

Fish Friday Payments

Please remember Fish Friday is paid **in advance of the term**. Fish Friday next term is **£17.50 (7 weeks)**. Please follow the same instructions above.

Christmas Cards

Thank you for all your orders of cards, paper, mugs etc. All products will be delivered to school in good time for Christmas. We will let you know as soon as they arrive. Your support is very much appreciated.
Mrs Grimshaw.



Admissions to Secondary School - September 2022

REMINDER: Parents of Year 6 pupils will have received a letter from St Helens Council (or Wigan Council if you are a Wigan resident) about applying for a secondary school place for September 2022, outlining how you can apply online. NB: The closing date for applications is: **31st October 2021.**

Admissions to Reception - September 2022

To qualify for admission to Reception in September 2022, children must be aged four on or before 31st August 2022. If your child attends a nursery in St Helens, you should have received a letter from St Helens Council outlining how you can apply on-line.
NB: The closing date for applications for Reception 2022 is **15th January 2022.**

Volunteers

A number of classes in school still 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 Trivass when you would be able to help and if you have a preference for a particular age group. You would need photographic ID and proof of address if interested. Thank you for your support.

Dates for allowing volunteers into school will be updated after the half term.



Autumn Disco - Nursery-Y6

We will be holding our Autumn Disco on **Wednesday 3rd November 4.30-6.00pm**. No tickets will be distributed but there is a charge of **£3.00** for every child who attends. Please pay via SchoolMoney.



The charge includes entrance to the disco, a hot dog and a drink. Party games will be played and prizes awarded to the winners. Children may come to the disco dressed in either their Halloween costume or in firework colours.

This event is subject to change following review meetings with Public Health England and St Helens Test and Trace.





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	India Lenahan	Noah Ford
Reception	Elizabeth Hale	Jessica Gaskell
Y1	Freddie Robertson	Scarlett Fass
Y2	Barnaby Aspinall	Darcy Brown
Y3	Archie Bate	Ayva Lowery
Y4	Evie Wall	William Crimes
Y5	Isabelle Crook	Amelia Housbey
Y6	Ruby Forsyth	Ellie Pendlebury

Chester Shopping Trip



Our annual Christmas Shopping Trip is back on this year and will take place on **Saturday 20th November**. We will be leaving school at 9am and will be picked up in Chester at 5pm, allowing plenty of time to browse the Christmas markets, take in the sights of Chester or just indulge in some shopping and a spot of lunch. Tickets are priced at £12.50 and can be paid for via SchoolMoney or cash.

Please contact Mrs Marsh in the office if you would like to join us.



CHILD ROAD SAFETY TOP TIPS



DID YOU KNOW?

Most collisions involving children occur in late afternoon, when they are walking home from school or playing outside.



Most child pedestrian fatalities were due to running or not paying attention at the time of the collision.

While all children are vulnerable around roads, some children are more at risk than others - boys are twice as likely as girls to be killed or severely injured.

Most road collisions occur on short journeys closer to home.

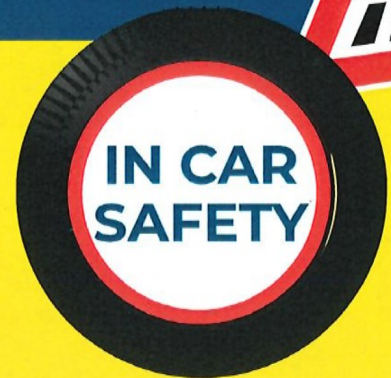
12 children under the age of 10 are killed or injured as passengers in cars EVERY DAY.

Car seats prevent deaths and serious injury. Make sure you have the right seat for your child:

CAR SEAT CLASSIFICATIONS

- Babies (up to 13kg, group 0+ seats)
- Toddlers (9-18kg, group 1 seats)
- Children up to 12 (15kg upwards, group 2 and 3 seats)

If you would like to know more, check out:
www.capt.org.uk/car-safety

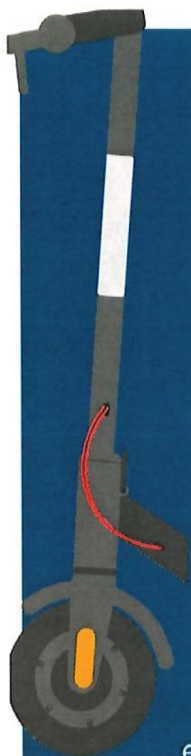


- Adult seats belts are not suitable for children.
- Using the correct child car seat limits injury in the event of a crash.
- All children under 12 years old or under 135cm in height must use a child restraint.
- Not all car seats will fit all cars. Choosing the right one for the weight and height of your child is important. Make sure your child car seats are easy to fit.
- Try your car seat before you buy it, buying new will guarantee it hasn't been damaged previously.
- If your child is travelling with other people, ensure the correct car seat is used.



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PRIVATELY OWNED POWERED SCOOTERS

It is illegal to use powered scooters on public roads, on pavements, in cycle lanes and pedestrian-only areas.

The reason for this is that powered scooters are currently classed as 'powered transporters' by the Government.

Further information on e-scooters can be found at:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/powered-transporters/information-sheet-guidance-on-powered-transporters>

Learning to ride and cycle training.

- Good places for children to learn to ride a bike are gardens, parks and playgrounds. Avoid steep hills and areas close to busy roads
- Small children may need stabilisers to help them balance. Some balance bikes are sold without pedals which allow children to scoot along
- For older children, cycle training helps them gain confidence and to know how to safely control their bikes
- Many schools offer Bikeability training or can signpost you to training in your area.

Further information and bike safety can be found at www.rosa.com and bikeability.org.uk



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CYCLING SAFETY

Follow these top tips to keep you and your children safe when cycling:

Be seen, be safe.

- Wear bright clothing, preferably something fluorescent and reflective
- Use lights and reflectors in the dark and in poor visibility
- Children should wear correctly fitting cycle helmets without any damage
- Check the condition of the bike prior to each use, including brakes and tyres.

When buying a bike, size does matter!

Buy one that is the right size for your child. Avoid the temptation to buy one they can grow into, or one that is too small.

A bike is the right size if a child can:

- Reach the handle bars without stretching
- Sit in a position where they are not leaning too far forward
- Reach and easily use the brakes
- Touch the ground with the toes of both feet while seated on the saddle.

Next Week in School

Monday 11th October

National Baking Week

Y1/Y2 Multi-sports 3.15-4.15pm (5 of 5)

Thursday 14th October

Tuesday 12th October

Schools Music Service Guitar lessons

Junior Choir 12 noon with Mrs Burns

Y3/Y4 Multi-sports 3.15-4.15pm (5 of 5)

Y5/6 Football with Mr Montrose 3.15-4.15pm

Friday 15th October

Rock Steady Music 1.00-3.00pm

Wednesday 13th October

Y4, 5 and 6 St Helens Music Service String lessons

Schools Music Service Brass lessons