



Chapel End Primary School News

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Week Ending: Friday October 11th 2019



Dear Parents,
Welcome to the penultimate newsletter of the Autumn term.

Health & Safety

Please ensure that when entering and leaving the school site, both parents and children only use the designated footpath which is fenced off from the car park. **Under no circumstances** should the car park be used as a short cut. If for any reason the pedestrian gate is locked and access is not possible please contact the office (if possible via mobile phone) so that this can be rectified. Can I also remind you that unless you have a blue disability badge and school has been notified, you must not use the school parking for dropping off or picking up the children.

School finishing times

There have been some recent instances of children being collected from school well past their normal collection time. It is important that you collect your child promptly **at 3.15pm**. If for any reason your child is still in school 10 minutes after their collection time, they will be taken to After School Club, where a £6.00 charge will be made. This will also apply to any after school activities your child may attend.

Y4 Football/Y5 Rugby

Congratulations and well done to our Y4 football team and Y5 Tag rugby team. The children were great sporting ambassadors for our school at their tournaments this week. Well done to:

Y4: Martha Aspinall, Zac Boylan McCann, Seth Hamilton, Lois Churchill, Ellie Pendlebury, George Wakefield, Ryan Thorpe and Alex Watson.

Y5: Mia Jackman, Willow Peaty, Tom Martin, Thomas Hitchen, Sam Holland, Fiona Clitheroe and Amy Boland.

Pupils of the Week

Well done everyone and keep up the good work!

<u>Year</u>	<u>Pupil</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Pupil</u>
Nursery Part-time	Molly Haworth	Y3JK	Tilly Dennis
Nursery Full-time	James Ennis	Y4BM	Jake Roberts
R/1KP	Alfie Astall	Y5GR	Adam Burrows
Y1/2AA	Isla Jackman	Y6AK	Katie Causey
Y2KT	Miley Hunter	Y6JS	Poppy Mellor

Winter Uniform

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

GIRLS	Mid-grey pinafore, skirt or school trousers White polo shirt Red cardigan or sweatshirt	Hair bands, ribbons etc should be red, black or white. All footwear should be black or plain dark coloured. To ensure safety around school we do not allow children to wear shoes with sling backs or high heels. Trainers of shoe like appearance are acceptable but <u>must be plain black</u> . May we also remind you that make up and jewellery must <u>not</u> be worn in school.
BOYS	Mid-grey school trousers White polo shirt Red sweatshirt	

Hair and hair accessories

It is important that if your child, whether they are a girl or boy, has shoulder length or long hair they must have it tied back. This is especially important for PE lessons. If your child attends school with their hair loose they will be given an elastic band with which to tie their hair up. Hairbands should be as plain and simple as possible (a small red bow is also acceptable) as sequins and highly decorated ones can be a health and safety concern. Thank you.

Our expectations with regard to extreme hair fashions including dyed hair, closely shaven hair and images/shapes cut into the hair or eyebrows, are that these should **only be done at the beginning of the six week summer holiday** so that by the time pupils return to school they will have had time to grow out.

School Meals Menu

The new school Autumn menu starts after half term on Monday 11th November. All food is 'farm assured' ensuring animal welfare is respected, all fish on the menu is sustainably sourced, all eggs used are free range and British. All menus are discussed with and designed by children. Our school cook Miss Hannah and her staff currently provide, gluten free, dairy free, egg free, vegan and allergen awareness menus. They are also able to provide carbohydrate counts for all items on the menu for diabetics. If you would like to give school meals a try, please fill in a pink slip to change your child's meal arrangements before next **Friday 18th October**. Copies of the new school meals menu can be found in the dispenser in the entrance hall and on our school website.

Dinner money payments until the end of term

To help with end of term banking arrangements can parents please pay **£19.20 (8 days)** for school meals on **Monday 14th October**. Thank you.

As you are aware we operate a computerised system for recording dinner money. Dinner money is **£12.00 per week (£2.40 per day)** paid in advance. Parents can pay by cash or cheque, weekly or termly. Cheques made payable to **St Helens Council** please NOT school. Please also write your child's name, class and your cheque guarantee card number on the reverse of your cheque.

Please ensure you send the correct payment as no change will be given until the end of each half term when credits and debits have been reconciled.

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT DINNER ARRANGEMENTS CAN ONLY BE CHANGED AFTER EACH HALF TERM. IT IS NOT POSSIBLE TO CHANGE ON A WEEKLY OR DAILY BASIS. If you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals, please contact Education Benefits on 675216/7.

Children choosing a Fish Friday meal option (packed lunches Monday-Thursday and a school meal on Friday) after half term should send a payment of **£16.80** for the term in on Monday 4rd November. Please note this is payment for 7 weeks in advance; the last Fish Friday of the term is on **Friday 20th December**.

Admissions to Secondary School - September 2020

Parents of Year 6 pupils will have received a letter from St Helens Council about applying for a secondary school place for September 2020, outlining in full detail how you can apply online. If you do not wish to apply online, copies of the application form are available from the school office. The closing date for all applications (both online and paper copy) is: **31st October 2019**.

PTFA NEWS

Chester Shopping Trip

Our annual Christmas Shopping Trip this year will take place on **Saturday 16th 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 £10 and are still on sale from the school office.



Autumn Disco – Nursery-Y6

Tickets are still available from the school office for our Autumn Disco on **Thursday 7th November** 5.00-6.15pm. Tickets are priced at £2.00 and include a drink and a snack for the children. Volunteers of parental help will be essential for this event to go ahead, if you can help at the disco, then please inform the office staff.

Christmas Cards

Final Reminder: Please send any orders to school by **Monday 14th October**. Payment can be made by cash or cheque. Any cheques to be made payable to 'Billinge Chapel End PTFA' Thank you.

COMMUNITY NEWS

North West Museum of Transport

Autumn Heritage Bus Running Day

Sunday 27th October 10am – 5pm

Free rides around St Helens on some of their historic buses and visiting vehicles into the twilight zone.



Pick Your Own Pumpkins!

Grange Farm, Stone Cross Lane – Lowton

5th-31st October

For more information on mini pumpkin hunts for the little ones, tractor rides, spooky maize maze and pumpkin pottery painting, pick up a leaflet from Reception or visit their website at:
www.grangefarmcountystore.co.uk

Next Week in School

Monday 14th October

Local History Week

Tuesday 15th October

- Woodwind lessons
- Guitar lessons
- Keyboard lessons
- Violin lessons
- Y1 & 2 Multi-Sports (5 of 10) 3.20-4.20pm

Wednesday 16th October

- Brass lessons
- Judo 12-12.50pm (5 of 5)
- Y4 Music (5 of 10)
- Football Training 3.15-4.15pm
- Choir 3.15-4.15pm

Thursday 17th October

- Y3-6 Multi-Sports (5 of 10) 3.20-4.20pm
- Drama Club – 3.20pm-4.20pm

Friday 18th October

Rock Steady Concert to whole school PM

Mr Smith
Headteacher