



# Chapel End Primary School News

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**Week Ending: Friday October 18<sup>th</sup> 2019**



Dear Parents,

Welcome to the final newsletter of the first half term. The children have worked really hard and are now ready for a well-earned rest. Whatever your plans; enjoy the break. **Please note the second half term begins on Monday 4th November.**

## Local History Week

This week, the children have enjoyed learning about the impact and legacy of significant historic developments in St Helens over the past two hundred and fifty years. We are lucky to have such a rich heritage in our local area and the children have discovered some wonderful stories during their investigations. From the building of the canals and the lives of the 'navvies' to the perils of working down the coalmines and the importance of railways in industrialising our town (Beecham's and Pilkington's). Recognise these?



## Y3 Football

Well done to our Year 3 football team - they represented our school at a tournament at Ruskin on Tuesday 15th and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Congratulations to Joshua Skinner, Jenson Cargill, Joseph Fisher, Dylan Barnes, Max Parsley, Lucas Berry and James Turtle.

## 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	Rosie Murray	Y3JK	Ellis Lenahan
Nursery Full-time	Harlow Smith	Y4BM	Lois Churchill
R/1KP	Leela Kavanagh	Y5GR	Riley Underhill
Y1/2AA	George Broderick	Y6AK	Alice Waldron
Y2KT	William Mather	Y6JS	Lily Denny

## Online Safety – Government Petition



The mum of a Year 5 pupil in St Helens who was 'befriended' whilst playing an online game would like other parents to support a petition that she has initiated. The 'chat' facility in games and apps can pose a serious threat of grooming; this is a real danger which can and does affect many children. The petition is aimed at introducing a law which forbids the inclusion of a public chat facility in any App used by children under 13 years old. The petition has currently registered 1, 476 signatures. If 10,000 signatures are received, the government will respond; if 100,000 signatures are received the petition will be considered in parliament. The petition will close on 28<sup>th</sup> December.

The link to the petition is: <https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/265520>. Please show your support.

**Note: When you have registered you will receive an email to which you need to respond (check your spam/trash folders as it may be directed there).**

### Children's Act of Remembrance

Once again, children in Year 6 will be taking part in an act of remembrance on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November. All parents who wish to attend are very welcome and should gather at 10.50am at the Remembrance Garden on Main Street, Billinge. Refreshments for the children will be provided at the public hall, Pingot Road. There will be a letter going out to year 6 children after the half-term.



### Poppy Appeal

Poppies will be on sale in classrooms during the morning session from Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October. There is no set price - all donations are welcome. This year, we also have a selection of other Poppy Appeal items which include poppy reflectors, wrist bands and zip pulls. They are priced between 50p and £1.00 and are available from the school office.

### Dinner Money

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 and class 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 4<sup>rd</sup> November. Please note this is payment for 7 weeks in advance; the last Fish Friday of the term is on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December**.

### School Meals Menu

Reminder: our new school Autumn menu starts after half term on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> 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 contact the school office. Copies of the new school meals menu can be found in the dispenser in the entrance hall and on our school website.

### Admissions to Secondary School - September 2020

Reminder: The closing date for all applications (both online and paper copy) is: **31<sup>st</sup> October 2019**.

### Reception New Starters Photograph

We have been informed by the Wigan Observer that our Reception new starter photograph will be in the Wigan Observer newspaper on 29<sup>th</sup> October 19.

### Children In Need

As always, we will be supporting Pudsey in helping Children in Need on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November.

children may come into school in non-uniform suitable for physical activities and bring a donation to Children in Need. We will be joining in with Joe Wicks 'Big Morning Move' workout.

We also have a wristbands available from the school office should anyone like to purchase one, priced at £1 each.



### Football Training

Please note there will be no more football training until further notice.

### Choir

Please note there will be no Choir next week. Choir will resume on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November.

## PTFA News

### Book Exchange

A total of **£142.00** was raised at last week's book exchange, so, once again, a big thank you to all of those who donated books and made a donation in exchange for books.



### Chester Shopping Trip

Tickets are still on sale from the school office (priced £10) for our annual Christmas Shopping Trip on **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> 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.



### Autumn Disco - Nursery-Y6

Tickets are still on sale for our Autumn Disco on **Thursday 7<sup>st</sup> November** 5.00-6.15pm. Tickets are priced at £2.00 and will 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 Fair

This year's Christmas Fair will take place on **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November** from 3.15pm. As in previous years, we will be collecting bottles of wine; filled jam jars; Christmas chocolate and other Christmas groceries. The focus in the first week back will be Christmas chocolate/sweets. Any child who brings a donation of Christmas chocolate/sweets will be given a raffle ticket and entered into a draw during Friday's assembly to win a small selection box.



### Tea with Santa

Unfortunately, Santa cannot make it to our Christmas Fair this year so we will be unable to open our Grotto. However, Santa has very kindly agreed to make it a Christmas to remember for all pupils at Chapel End by visiting us on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 3.15pm to have tea with the children- more information to follow after half term.



### Community News

#### Autumn Fayre at St.Marys Club Billinge

Billinge Residents Association are holding an Autumn Fayre at St.Marys Club, Billinge on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October 1pm until 4pm.

Free entry. Refreshments. Your chance to buy crafts, nearly new toys and baby items.

#### St Helens Council Activity Calendar

#### Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> Oct - Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

For more information on activities running through half term for all children/adults in the borough/North West please see the activity calendar on our website under newsletters. The activity calendar is also available to view live at

<https://secure.sthelens.net/Website/SEND.nsf/Home.xsp>

### Next week in School

#### Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October

#### Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

- Woodwind lessons
- Guitar lessons
- Keyboard lessons
- Violin lessons
- Y1 & 2 Multi-Sports (6 of 10) 3.20-4.20pm

#### Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October

- Brass lessons
- Y4 Music (6 of 10)
- **No Choir**

**School closes for half term**

### First week back after half term

#### Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November

**School re-opens after half term**

**Donations of chocolates & Sweets for Christmas Fair all week**

#### Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November

- Woodwind lessons
- Guitar lessons
- Keyboard lessons
- Violin lessons
- Y1 & 2 Multi-Sports (7 of 10) 3.20-4.20pm

#### Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November

- Brass lessons
- Y4 Music (7 of 10)
- Choir 3.15-4.15pm

#### Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November

- Y3-6 Multi-Sports (6 of 10) 3.20-4.20pm
- Drama Club - 3.20pm-4.20pm
- Autumn Disco N-Y6 5.00-6.15pm

#### Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November

Y6 Remembrance 10.50am

**Mr Smith  
Headteacher**

11<sup>th</sup> November Anti Bullying Week

15<sup>th</sup> November Children in Need Day - non uniform suitable for physical activities

16<sup>th</sup> November PTFA Shopping Trip to Chester

29<sup>th</sup> November Christmas Fair 3.15-5.30pm

4<sup>th</sup> December Nasal flu vaccinations- R-Y6

5<sup>th</sup> December Tea with Santa - 3.15pm

9<sup>th</sup> December 10.30am All Nursery Children & R1KP play dress rehearsal to whole school (videoed)

9<sup>th</sup> December 2.00pm- Y1/2AA and Y2KT play dress rehearsal to school (videoed)

10<sup>th</sup> December 10:30am Nursery full time, NAM children, & R1KP play to parents

10<sup>th</sup> December 2:00pm Y1/2AA and Y2KT play to parents

11<sup>th</sup> December 2.00pm Y1/2AA and Y2KT play to parents

12<sup>th</sup> December 2.00pm Nursery full time, NPM children & R1KP play to parents

12<sup>th</sup> December Fish Friday instead of tomorrow due to Christmas Lunch

13<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Lunch

17<sup>th</sup> December Y1&Y2 Christmas party PM

18<sup>th</sup> December Y3, 4, 5 & 6 Christmas party PM

19<sup>th</sup> December - Junior Carol Concert whole school in Junior hall AM

19<sup>th</sup> EYFS ( Nursery & R1KP) Christmas party PM

20<sup>th</sup> December - Infant and Junior Carol sing on playgrounds for parents for charity - 2.45pm

**20<sup>th</sup> December School closes for Christmas**