



# Chapel End Primary School News

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**Week Ending: Friday November 22nd 2019**



Dear Parents,

Christmas preparations are now in full flow and children and staff are getting excited as we look forward to all the forthcoming events. Can I take this opportunity to ask that, if you are travelling by car to attend any of the events, you ensure that you respect our neighbours and park legally and considerately at all times. Thank you.

### Pierced Ears

We have noticed recently an increasing number of children having their ears pierced during term times. As you will be aware from our school prospectus, we ask that piercings only be done at the beginning of the summer break in order to allow the healing process to take place fully before returning to school in September.

Ear rings (including studs) are not allowed to be worn in school as they constitute a safety risk when children are actively playing or taking part in sports activities.

If, despite our request, your child has their ears pierced during term time, we will need you to sign an indemnity statement taking full responsibility should an injury arise as a result of wearing studs during the healing period. Thank you for your cooperation with this important Health & Safety concern.

### Y6 Careers Carousel

Yesterday the children in Year 6 were lucky enough to attend a careers event which was held in school. We welcomed eleven visitors all of whom had very different careers. The children had the chance to find out all about the skills and qualities that were required for these jobs.

Everyone had a great time and hopefully the children were inspired to find out more about the wealth of opportunities that are available to them in the future. A huge thank you to all of our parents and friends who gave their own time to make this event possible.



### 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 Broughton	Y3JK	Daisy Broderick
Nursery Full-time	James Ennis	Y4BM	Zach Berry
R/1KP	Toby Skinner	Y5GR	Abigail Broughton
Y1/2AA	Jack Geoghegan	Y6AK	Lucy Slobom
Y2KT	Evie Wall	Y6JS	Liam Barnes

### Y4 Girls Football

Well done to Martha Aspinall, Faith Ashworth, Emily Rowling, Ellie Pendlebury, Ruby Forsyth, Lois Churchill and Hollie Lyon, our Y4 girls' football team. The girls enjoyed their tournament at Ruskin on Monday, winning 3 and losing 2 of their 5 games.

## 2020/21 Term dates

Please see new term dates for 2020/21 below. Handy wallet/purse-sized cards are now available from the school office.

### Term Dates for 2020-2021

	<u>Opens on</u>	<u>Closes on</u>
<b>Autumn Term 2020</b>	Wed 2 Sept	Wed 21 Oct
<b>Autumn Term 2020</b>	Mon 2 Nov	Fri 18 Dec
<b>Spring Term 2021</b>	Wed 6 Jan	Fri 12 Feb
<b>Spring Term 2021</b>	Mon 22 Feb	Thurs 1 April
<b>Summer Term 2021</b>	Mon 19 April	Thurs 27 May
<b>Summer Term 2021</b>	Mon 7 June	Thurs 22 July

School also closed:  
May Day—Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2021

### Change of Meal Arrangements

If your child would like to change meal arrangements after the Christmas holidays, please fill in a pink slip, available from the leaflet dispenser by the office. Slips must be returned by **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December**. School meals cost £12.00 per week and are paid each Monday in advance.

Fish Friday (packed lunches Monday-Thursday and a school meal on a Friday) is also paid in advance for the term (£14.40 next term for 6 weeks).

**NB** Please remember that meal arrangements apply for a half term and pupils may only change after a holiday period.

### Children In Need



Thank you for all your donations in aid of last week's Children in Need Appeal. The amount raised was: £271.50. In addition, Y6 had a Bake sale and a raised a further £42.50.

### Early Bird Club

Early Bird Club runs from 7.30-8.50am each morning. It costs £4 per session and can be paid by: cash, cheque payable to St Helens Council, child care vouchers or BACS, details of which can be obtained from the school office. **Please note that this club is extremely popular and we are limited to numbers, so bookings (with payment) should be made as early as possible, preferably a week in advance, and also that children will not be allowed to use the facility if payment has not been made.** Early Bird Club has a limited number of places for children of Nursery age (8 places) and these are prioritised in the first instance to children accessing the 30 hours funding. If your child is accessing the 15 hours morning session, please enquire at the school office to see if there are places available should you need them.

### Buzz Club

Buzz Club runs from 3.15-5.30pm each evening. It costs £6 per session and, like the Early Bird Club, can be paid by cash, cheque, child care vouchers or BACS. Again, this club is very popular and we are limited to numbers, so bookings (with payment) should be made as early as possible, preferably a week in advance, **and children will not be allowed to use the facility if payment has not been made.** Buzz Club has a limited number of places for children of Nursery age (8 places) and these are prioritised in the first instance to children accessing the 30 hours funding. If your child is accessing the 15 hours afternoon session, please enquire at the school office to see if there are places available should you need them.

### "Wriggly Nativity" - Nursery & R1KP Production



The dates and times for the performances are: Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 10.30am (for Nursery full time & AM and R1KP children), and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 2.00pm (for Nursery full time & PM and R1KP children). Tickets will be on sale from the school office from Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November priced at £2. Please ensure you purchase your tickets as soon as possible as space is limited due to fire regulations.

You will notice when you purchase your tickets that on the reverse is a space to fill in your name and contact number. Completed tickets will be entered into a raffle to win a Christmas food hamper.

### "Hey Ewe" - Y1/2AA & Y2KT Production

The dates and times for the performances are: Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 2.00pm and Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 2.00pm. All children in Y1/2AA & Y2KT are involved. Tickets will be on sale from the school office from Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November priced at £2. Please ensure you purchase your tickets as soon as possible as space is limited due to fire regulations.



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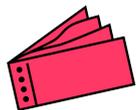
#### Chester Shopping Trip

Thank you to those people who came on our annual shopping trip to Chester, everyone had a brilliant day and seemed to do lots of shopping whilst getting into the Christmas spirit!

#### Christmas Fair - Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November

Thank you for all the donations that we have received so far. As we have said before, without these the fair wouldn't happen.

Next Friday is a non-uniform day, allowing the children to visit the fair wearing their own clothes and further donations of chocolate, wine, groceries, toys and books will, once again, be gratefully received.



#### Christmas Fair Raffle

Today your child will have brought home a strip of raffle tickets, for our Christmas fair raffle. To purchase these, please detach one half (to keep) and on the reverse of the other write your name and contact number. Please then return this half with £1 to school. Further tickets will be available to purchase at the fair. Prizes include a 3 course meal for 2 people in Fairways Restaurant, Houghwood Golf Club, 2 Twixmas Park Day tickets for Gulliver's World, Family ticket to Wigan Roller Rink, Family Ticket to WWT Martin Mere, Blackpool Pleasure Beach wristband vouchers, Family Pass to Acorn Farm, a Christmas hamper and much more.

#### Tea with Santa

Tea with Santa tickets are selling fast, so to avoid disappointment, please buy your tickets as soon as possible. They are available from the school office priced at £3.50.



#### Christmas Bauble Competition

**Don't forget** that if you are entering the bauble competition that your entries should be brought in to school on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November and will be judged by Father Christmas when he arrives for tea with the children on 5<sup>th</sup> December. Baubles can be decorated using any materials but please ensure they have a hook/loop to enable them to hang on our Christmas trees. Children can collect their baubles at the end of term to take home and hang on their own Christmas tree!



### Community News

#### Make a difference and donate a chocolate orange - Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2019 at St Helens Rugby Club 9am-12pm.

Elliott Lamb (a relative of a current Y4 and Y1 child) sadly passed away of a congenital condition in 2010. As part of his legacy the family try to collect as many chocolate oranges as possible to pass on as a small gift and gesture of kindness to those going through challenging times at Christmas. If you would like to donate a chocolate orange, please send them into school by Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December. You can find more information on the Facebook page, Team Chocolate Orange, Twitter @chocoranges and Instagram - chocolate\_orange\_man.



#### St Helens Town Hall Winter Fair

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 10am - 4pm.

Plant based foods including gluten free available from the food hall, vintage, vinyl, gifts, arts and crats, lots of ideal Christmas presents.

**£1 entrance fee, OAPs and children go free.** For more information please see school noticeboard

### St Helens Council Christmas Gift Appeal 2019



St Helens Council are calling on kind-hearted residents to make a disadvantaged child's Christmas special, by donating to its gift appeal. Sadly there are many children and young people in the borough who are at risk of waking up on Christmas day without a single gift. The appeal is for toys, gifts and clothing for children aged from birth to 18 years. Last year there was a shortage of gifts for children under 1 and 7-12 years. All donations must be in school by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December or can be made at various collection points detailed in the leaflet on our school noticeboard/website (under Newsletters). Thank you for your anticipated support.

And finally...

Mrs Linge, one of our cleaning staff, is beginning her well-earned retirement from today to spend more time with her family. Thank you Mrs Linge for all your hard work over the last five years; we wish you a happy and peaceful retirement.

#### Next week in School

<p><u>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November</u></p> <p><u>Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Woodwind lessons</li><li>• Guitar lessons</li><li>• Keyboard lessons</li><li>• Violin lessons</li><li>• Y1 &amp; 2 Multi-Sports (10 of 10) 3.20-4.20pm</li></ul> <p><u>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Brass lessons</li><li>• Y4 Music (10 of 10)</li><li>• Choir 3.15-4.15pm</li></ul>	<p><u>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Y3-6 Multi-Sports (9 of 10) 3.20-4.20pm</li><li>• Drama Club - 3.20pm-4.20pm</li></ul> <p><u>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Non Uniform Day in exchange for final donations to Christmas Fair</li><li>• Christmas Fair 3.15pm</li></ul> <p><b>Mr Smith</b> <b>Headteacher</b></p>
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4<sup>th</sup> December Nasal flu immunisations- R-Y6

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

6<sup>th</sup> December Y5 Trip to Imperial War Museum

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 served today instead of tomorrow due to Christmas Lunch

12<sup>th</sup> December All donations of Chocolate Oranges into school

13<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Lunch - children to wear Christmas jumpers (National Christmas Jumper Day all donations to Save the Children greatly appreciated)

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 AM

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

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

<u>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December</u>	<b>Break up for Christmas</b>
<u>Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January</u>	<b>Return to School</b>