

# B ILLINGE CHAPEL END

## — SCHOOL & NURSERY —



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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 2nd May

Deaf Awareness

### Week Beginning 9th May

Sats Week

Mental Health

DT Week

### Week Beginning 16th May

Smile Week—Oral Hygiene

DT Week

### Week Beginning 23rd May

Gardening Week



### School opening times

In recent terms we have operated an arrival window at school due to COVID restrictions. We are now in a position to revert back to a single opening time.

School begins at 8:50am with doors opening at 8:45am. The expectation is that all children are in school for 8:50am.

During 8:50am and 9:00am, Years 1 to 6 complete quick fire multiplication and number bond activities. If children arrive at 9:00am, they are late for registration and will miss these important tasks.

In September, we are opening our doors 5 minutes earlier to ensure that we operate in the DFE requirements that all schools are open for 32 hours per week.

From September doors will open at 8:40am with registration beginning at 8:45am



### School Photographs

Academy Photography visited school this week and took class photos, Y6 leavers individual photos and individual photos of any children who have joined us since September. More information will follow when proofs arrive.



### Book Exchange

Thank you to everyone who donated to our book exchange last Friday, a fantastic amount of £145.50 was raised towards PTFA funds.

### Y6 Booster Classes - Maths & English

There is one final booster session remaining in preparation for the Year 6 children's SATS. This will take place next Thursday 5th May 3.15-4.30pm. Good luck to all our Y6 children with their SATS.

### Y2 Football Tournament

Friday 22nd April

A big well done to Oliver, Sonny, Max, Mason, Grace, Megan, Harmony and Alice for finishing 3rd in the Y2 St Helens football tournament.





## **Queen's Platinum Jubilee**

On **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May** Chapel End will be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a 'Street Party' for school lunch. The street party will take place outside on the Junior playground weather permitting.

The lunch will consist of party food: sandwiches, crisps, gingerbread men, muffins, packets of dried fruit, sausage rolls, jellies and soft drinks.

We have decided to ask all children if they would like a school lunch that day.

### **Reception, Y1 or Y2**

Children in these year groups are entitled to a Universal Free School Meal. If your child is currently on packed lunches and they wish to have party food, no payment is required but please email school to let us know.

### **Nursery, Y3-6 – Current packed lunches**

If your child is currently on packed lunches and would like street party food, please pay £2.50 via SchoolMoney and email school to let us know.

### **Nursery, Y3-6 – Current school meals**

Please pay your dinner money as normal and your child will be provided with street party food on the day.

### **Nursery—15 Hours**

All children attending Nursery for 15 hours are invited to stay for the street party lunch. Please pay £2.50 via SchoolMoney and email school to let us know.

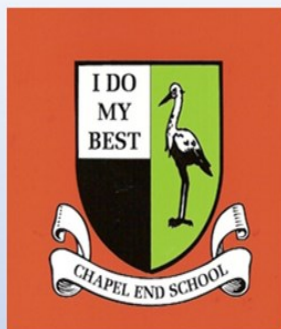
### **Parents and Carers**

We are delighted to invite parents, carers and our governors to join us for the afternoon to celebrate this event. Families are invited to bring a picnic along to dine on the school field so that we can come together as a community to celebrate.

Each year group will be performing a song from a given decade by a British artist, stretching back to the 50's.

More details relating to the specifics of the afternoon will follow in the coming weeks.





**You are Invited!**



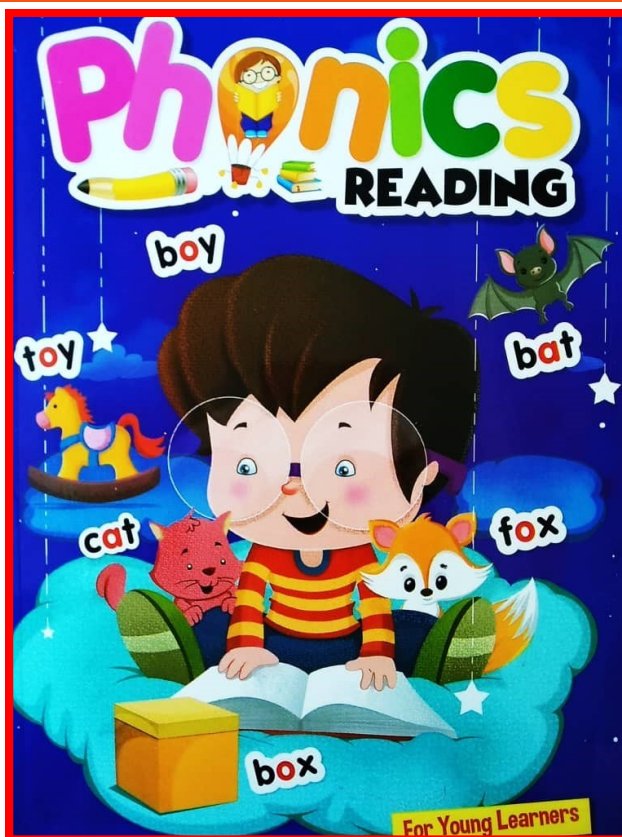
Dear Nursery, Reception and Year 1 parents/Carers,  
You are invited to join us for a reading and phonics information evening. During the session we will provide you with information about the organisation of phonics and reading at school and handy tips to support your child's progress and development at home.

Date: Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May  
Time 5:30PM  
In the school hall.

We look forward to seeing you.

Please email school [chaplend@sthelens.org.uk](mailto:chaplend@sthelens.org.uk) to let us know you are attending.

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Please contact the school office on 01744 678230 or [chaplend@sthelens.org.uk](mailto:chaplend@sthelens.org.uk) to confirm your attendance.



## EYFS

A huge thank you to Mr Forster for his kind donation of bales of hay for our outdoor area.



Week beginning the 23rd May is Children's Gardening Week. For the assembly in this week, I would like to show images of our children gardening at home and gardens once the work is completed. If you would like your child to be included in this presentation, please Dojo pictures to your child's teacher by Friday 20th May.



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.

### Pupil of the Week

### Wonder Wall

<b>Nursery</b>	<b>Hudson Cartwright</b>	<b>Harry Keane</b>
<b>Reception</b>	<b>Poppy Corish</b>	<b>Archie Mellor</b>
<b>Y1</b>	<b>Emili Bazi</b>	<b>Alfie Armstrong</b>
<b>Y2</b>	<b>Darcy Brown</b>	<b>Leela Kavanagh</b>
<b>Y3</b>	<b>Victoria Malowicz</b>	<b>Louie Wood</b>
<b>Y4</b>	<b>George Glynn</b>	<b>William McMinn</b>
<b>Y5</b>	<b>Amelia Ennis</b>	<b>Matilda Haggerty</b>
<b>Y6</b>	<b>Thomas Liptrot</b>	<b>Megan Pye</b>

### Bank Holiday - Monday 2nd May

A reminder that school will be closed next Monday 2nd May due to the May Bank Holiday and re-opens on **Tuesday 3rd May**.

Fingers crossed for some nice weather!





# Save money on your childcare bills with Tax-Free Childcare

If you're a working parent or carer, you can get up to £500 every three months (up to £2,000 a year per child) to help with the costs of childcare. If your child has a disability, you can get up to £1,000 every three months (up to £4,000 a year per child).

You can use it to pay for childcare including:

- childminders, nurseries and nannies
- playschemes, before and after school clubs, and holiday clubs

Check with your provider to see if they're signed up.



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## How it works

You set up an online childcare account for your child. For every £8 you pay into this account, the government will pay in £2, up to a maximum of £2,000 a year (or £4,000 if your child has a disability). You can then use the money to pay your childcare provider.

You need to reconfirm your eligibility for Tax-Free Childcare every three months. You'll get a text reminder and it's easy to do through your online childcare account.

## Am I eligible?

To get Tax-Free Childcare, you need to be working at least 16 hours a week, earning at least the National Minimum Wage or National Living Wage. This includes being:

- self-employed
- on maternity or parental leave
- on sick leave or annual leave. Your child is eligible until the September after their 11th birthday, or until their 17th birthday if they have a disability.

Each parent or carer can earn up to £100,000 per year and still be eligible for Tax-Free Childcare. Your eligibility doesn't depend on how much tax you pay, so it won't affect your income tax liability or any other tax, like VAT.

You can't claim Tax-Free Childcare at the same time as Working Tax Credit, Child Tax Credit or Universal Credit.

## If you live in Northern Ireland

If you live and pay tax in Northern Ireland but use a childcare provider in the Republic of Ireland, please call 0300 123 4097 to check your eligibility.

If you live in Northern Ireland but work in the Republic of Ireland, you're eligible for Tax-Free Childcare if you or your partner pay UK tax and complete an annual Self-Assessment tax return and foreign income page.

## Find out more

To find out how much you could get towards your childcare costs and check whether you're eligible, visit [www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk)





## School Diary—Next Week in School

### Monday 2nd May

School Closed



### Thursday 5th May

Toddler Group, Infant Hall 9.30-11.00am

Y6 Inventors Club 12.00-12.30pm

Final Y6 Booster Class 3.15-4.30pm

Y3/4 Chatterbooks 3.15pm-4.15pm (3 of 5)

### Tuesday 3rd May

School Re-opens

Schools Music Service Guitar Lessons

Choir—12 noon

Y5 & 6 Football Training 3.15pm-4.15pm

Y3/4 Summer Games 3.15pm-4.15pm (2 of 5)

Drumming Lessons 3.15-4.15pm

Nursery, Reception & Y1 Parents/Carers Reading  
& Phonics Information Evening 5.30pm

### Friday 6th May

Rock Steady Music 1pm

### Wednesday 4th May

Schools Music Service Brass Lessons

Y4, 5 & 6 St Helens Music Service Strings Lessons

Year 4, 5 & 6 Netball 3.15-4.00pm

Drumming Lessons 3.15-4.15pm

### Term Dates for 2021-2022

	Opens on	Closes on
Autumn Term 2021	Mon 6 Sept	Fri 22 Oct
Autumn Term 2021	Mon 1 Nov	Wed 22 Dec
Spring Term 2022	Thurs 6 Jan	Fri 11 Feb
Spring Term 2022	Mon 21 Feb	Fri 1 April
Summer Term 2022	Tues 19 April	Thurs 26 May
Summer Term 2022	<b>Tues 7 June</b>	Wed 20 July

School also closed:  
May Day—Monday 2nd May 2022

### Term Dates for 2022-2023

	Opens on	Closes on
Autumn Term 2022	Mon 5 Sept	Thurs 20 Oct
Autumn Term 2022	Mon 31 Oct	Wed 21 Dec
Spring Term 2023	Wed 4 Jan	Thurs 9 Feb
Spring Term 2023	Mon 20 Feb	Fri 31 March
Summer Term 2023	Mon 17 April	Thurs 25 May
Summer Term 2023	Mon 5 June	Wed 19 July

School also closed:  
May Day—Monday 1st May 2023