

BILLINGE CHAPEL END

— SCHOOL & NURSERY —

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

December 4th 2020



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Unfortunately, due to current restrictions all events in school will be restricted to children and staff in school. Parents/carers cannot be invited into school. Please use our website and school dojo for updates

Monday 7th December

R-Y6 Flu Immunisations

Wednesday 9th December

Christmas Plays Recorded

Friday 11th December

FS/KS1 Christmas Party

Monday 14th December

Y3/4 Christmas Party

Tuesday 15th December

Y5/6 Christmas Party

Wednesday 16th December

Christmas Lunch

Christmas Jumper Day

KS2 Big Sing

Friday 18th December

School Closes

N/Rec/Y5 & Y6 1.50pm

Y1/2/3 & Y4 2.00pm

Wednesday 6th January

School Re-opens



This week we have sent out a questionnaire to all of our parents relating to the provision of care and education of our children at Chapel End Primary School during the Autumn Term. Thank you to those who have already responded and please may I encourage any parents that haven't yet responded to take part. Your views are very important to us as a school and used in our continual school improvement strategies.

Community Disability and Mental Health Allotment

Our children enjoyed generating ideas to name a local allotment dedicated to community disability and mental health. Our children produced some fantastic ideas and we would like to congratulate Nugent House for creating the winning title, Allot of Fun!

During these ever-changing times, more and more families are experiencing job cuts and reduced hours at work. To support our families, Chapel End has linked up with St Helens Foodbank and we are now a 'voucher school'. Families in need of support can collect vouchers discretely from our school office, which they can then use at one of the many foodbanks located around the borough. Please visit



<https://sthelens.foodbank.org.uk/> for more information.

Instrumental Lessons

Please find below the dates of final instrumental lessons for this year and the dates of recommencement for the New Year.

<u>Instrument</u>	<u>Last Lesson</u>	<u>Recommence on</u>
Guitar	15th December 20	12th January 21
Brass	9th December 20	13th January 21

EYFS/KS1 Nativity Plays

Please return your proforma to school as soon as possible. If you need a paper copy of the proforma please contact the school office. **Please note no orders can be placed after 11th December.** Thank you.

Christmas Parties

This year's Christmas parties will be held on the dates below. **All children should come to school dressed in their party clothes.** At around 11am children will be provided with hot bacon/sausage/vegetarian sausage barm and then will eat their party food at around 2pm. Please pay £1 contribution towards your child's party via Schoolmoney.

If your child is on packed lunches they will not need to bring one on party day.

If your child is on school meals they will not need to pay for a school meal on party day. Dinner money for that week will therefore be £9.80.

Nursery, Reception, Y1 & Y2	Friday 11th December
Y3/4 Christmas Party	Monday 14th December
Y5/6 Christmas Party	Tuesday 15th December



Food Collection Week- Monday 7th December

Reminder: Next week children are encouraged to bring in foods that will then be collected and distributed to those in need. Please see the list below—this shows the food type each class is being asked to donate. Many thanks for your support.

EYFS (Nursery & Reception)	Dried foods please, these could include pasta, rice, powdered milk, cup-a-soup etc.
Year 1	Tinned foods please, these could include tinned vegetables, beans, tuna, soup, fruit etc
Year 2	Toiletries, these could include Christmas childrens' toiletries, shampoo, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shower gel, shaving foam, etc.
Year 3	Cereals please. These could include porridge, boxes of cereal, breakfast bars etc.
Year 4	Condiments please. These could include jam, marmalade, peanut butter, honey etc.
Year 5	Hot drinks please. These could include coffee, tea bags, hot chocolate, bag of sugar etc.
Year 6	Snacks please. These could include multipack crisps, boxes of biscuits, boxes/bars of chocolate, Christmas treats, crackers etc.

Important - Advanced Information

In line with the majority of schools across the borough, we now finish early on the final day of each term (end of half terms will be normal times). Please note on Friday 18th December school finishes at the following times:

1.50pm

Nursery, Reception, Y5 and Y6

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are at
school

2.00pm

Y1, Y2, Y3 and Y4

Please ensure you are at school in plenty of time to pick up your child promptly.

NB: The last afterschool club of the term will be Thursday 17th December.

Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 16th December

Years 3-6 Pupils

If your child is on packed lunches and is having a Christmas lunch on Wednesday 16th December, please pay £2.45 via Schoolmoney.

If your child is on school meals please pay £12.25 weekly dinner money as usual.

Thank you.



Change of School Meal

Arrangements

If you would like to change your child's school meal arrangements for after half term please email school to let us know before Wednesday 16th December.

Email: chapelend@sthelens.org.uk



Key Stage 2 Big Sing

Due to current restrictions, we are unable to invite our families into school to join in with our Christmas celebrations. However at Chapel End, the Christmas show will go on!

Key stage 2 will be hosting a BIG SING carol concert on the upper junior playground at 3:30PM on Wednesday 16th December. Parents/carers are invited to social distance on the yard and watch/ join in with our carol concert. We encourage you to bring along your own hot chocolate (in a sealed cup) or treats as we cannot provide any food or drink at the moment. All children in Years 3-6 will be performing and should be collected from their normal collection point at the end of the show (approx. 4PM-4:15PM).

St Helens & Gill Neal PJ Appeal 2020

Remember as a child being excited on Christmas Eve because you had nice new PJ's for Santa?

The people of St Helens have donated thousands of pairs of PJ's and chocolate selection boxes over the last 4 years to the Capstone Project.

If you would like to donate a pair of NEW unopened PJ's aged newborn to 16 years, or a small selection box to the appeal, please see the contact details in the poster at the end of this newsletter.



Children's Christmas Appeal 2020

Reminder it's still not too late to make a donation to the Children's Christmas Appeal. All the information can be found in the letter attached to our newsletter dated 13th November from Economy Board Chairman Eamonn McManus together with the Leader of St Helens Council Councillor David Baines.

Thank you for your support.



Please may we remind all families that as we have now returned to all classes attending school, the carpark is reserved for staff and for parents, carers and family members with a registered disability. We have quite a number of families who have registered for a blue badge using medical forms as part of the application process. Please note that if you have not applied for a blue badge you are required to park outside of the school site so that we can ensure the highest levels of health and safety for the whole school community.

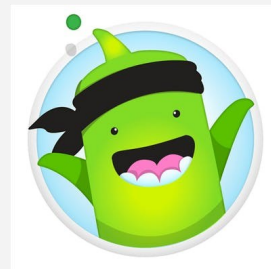
Open days

We are pleased to announce that our EYFS unit will be available for parents to look around every Friday afternoon from 3:15-4:15pm during the dates of January 8th to January 29th.

We will be restricting the visits to one family at a time. Due to this fact we are taking bookings at the school office for 15 minute slots per family.

All visitors must be aware that this area of the school will have been used by our children during the day and will visit at their own risk and will need to sign a disclaimer on arrival.

The classrooms will quarantine over each weekend, ready for the children to return on the Monday.



Please continue to use class Dojo to access information about your child's class on a daily basis.



Congratulations to the following children who were praised this week. Each week a child is selected as star of the week in recognition of their best efforts. One child from each class also has their work placed on Mr Hewitt's wonder wall to celebrate the child's achievement.

	<u>Star Pupil Award</u>	<u>Wonder wall</u>
Nursery	Anais Cowan	
Part-time		Ava Noonan
Nursery	Esmae Gough	
Full-time		
Reception	Isabelle Mills	Zachary Roberts
Y1	Toby Skinner	Leela Kavanagh
Y2	Joseph Hawkes-	Madge Turnbull
Y3	Harrison Hill	Rose Severs
Y4	James Turtle	Eleanor Crimes
Y5	Martha Aspinall	Jessica Bate
Y6	Holly Crook	Poppy Piert

Christmas Lunch/ Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 16th December is Christmas Lunch day.

Children may also come to school in their Christmas Jumpers, we would be grateful if each child could make a £1 donation. All donations this year will be donated to Save the Children. Please make payment via School-money.

Thank you for your anticipated support for such a worthy cause.



**Save the
Children**

Next Week in School

Monday 7th December

R-Y6 Flu immunisations

Tuesday 8th December

Guitar Lessons

Dodgeball Y1/2—3.15-4.15pm (5 of 5)

Wednesday 9th December

Christmas plays recorded

Y5 String Lessons

Last Brass Lessons until January

13th January

Thursday 10th December

Dodgeball Y3/4—3.15-4.14pm

(5 of 5)

Friday 11th December

FS/KS1 Party children to come dressed in their party clothes.

Mr C Hewitt

Headteacher

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PJ APPEAL 2020

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Your drop off point is:
St Helens Baptist Church,
Hall St, WA10 1EL
Thursday 11am-2pm



*Thank you for your kindness
and have a blessed Christmas*

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For information please contact Clare Mcmenamy 07851 921471