

BILLINGE CHAPEL END

— SCHOOL & NURSERY —

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 4th November 2022

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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

07.11.22

Guru Nanak Birthday - 8th November

14.11.22

Anti-bullying week

21.11.22

School Values -Honesty

Date for your diary

Christmas Fair—2.12.22

KS1 Nativity—13.12.22

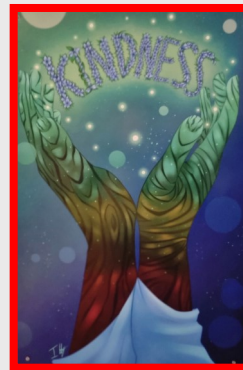
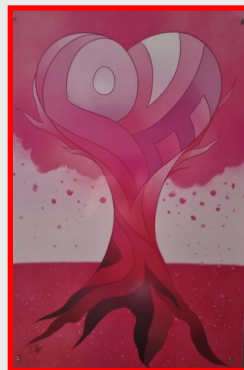
EYFS Nativity—15.12.22



School Values

Our school value for this half term is 'HONESTY'. We will be including this value in our assemblies, lessons and everyday life.

I would like to thank Isabelle who is an independent artist from Salford, who has created our amazing values display boards in our school hall. Please ask at the school office if you would like to pop in and see them at pick up times next week.



Integrity is telling myself the truth. And honesty is telling the truth to other people.

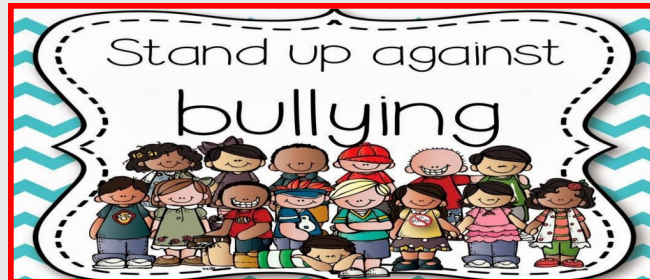
Spencer Johnson

Anti-bullying Week

Monday 14th November - Friday 18th November

On Monday 14th November all children can come to school wearing odd socks to kick off anti-bullying week in style as a way of celebrating what makes us all unique! Throughout the week the children will be participating in a variety of activities around the topic of anti-bullying and this year's theme 'Reach Out!'.

We look forward to seeing you all in your odd socks—remember the whackier and odder, the better!



Children in Need

On Friday 18th November we will be joining thousands of people to raise money for Children in Need. This year will be a great SPOTacular!!!!

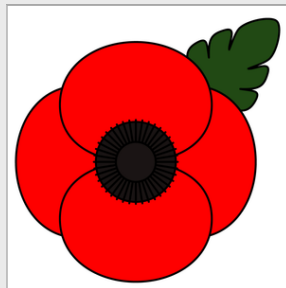
In return for a donation (through SchoolMoney) children may wear spotty clothes or pyjamas.

Thank you from your smart School Council.



Poppy Appeal

Poppies are on sale from the school office. A donation pot is in the office for parents to donate money and take a poppy from the box.



St Helens Music Service Strings lessons

We have been informed by St Helens Music Service that there will be no strings tuition in school next week. We apologise for any inconvenience.

PTFA News

Autumn Disco

Thank you to everyone who supported our Autumn Disco, we all had a great time. There were some fantastic costumes and some excellent dancers! £250 was raised for school funds.

We look forward to enjoying many more PTFA events in the forthcoming year.



Christmas Fair

This year's Christmas Fair will take place on Friday 2nd December from 3:15pm. As in previous years, we will be collecting bottles of wine, filled jam jars, Christmas chocolate/sweets and other Christmas groceries. The focus next week will be Christmas groceries, but please also bring in Christmas chocolates/sweets.

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 8th December at 3:15pm to have tea with the children - more information to follow shortly.

Chapel End Christmas Lunch

On **Wednesday 14th December** all children from N (30 hours), R-Y6 are invited to have a Christmas lunch at lunchtime.

If your child is on packed lunches in :

1. N (30 hrs), Y3-6 please email school to confirm and pay £2.50 via Schoolmoney.
2. R-Y2—email school to confirm, NB no payment required as all pupils in these year groups are entitled to a universal free school meal.
3. If your child is already on school meals or Fish Friday this term, **no action is needed**, please pay as normal and your child will automatically be provided with a Christmas lunch on Wednesday 14th December.

Reminder: Mrs Corr, our school cook, will need final numbers by **Friday 18th November** to enable her staff to organise the ordering and delivery of food.

Autumn Leaves

As we move further into the Autumn months, the nights are drawing in and the leaves are starting to fall, we would like to remind everybody to take extra care when walking on our paths around the school grounds, although every effort is made to keep them clear, with the nature of the setting and being surrounded by trees it isn't always possible and as a result the paths can be quite slippery.



Change of Meal Arrangements

If you would like to change your child's meal arrangements after half term, please email school at chapelend@sthelens.org.uk by **Friday 16th December**.

Fish Friday Payments

Please remember Fish Friday is paid **in advance of the term**. Fish Friday for this half term is **£17.50 (7 weeks)**.



School Swimming Lessons



We are very pleased to be able to offer all children in Years 5 & 6 the opportunity to visit the swimming baths once a week over half a term period to participate in swimming lessons. Lessons will take place on a Friday afternoon between 1:00pm and 2:00pm.

The dates for each year group are as follows:

Year 6

4th November 22
11th November 22
18th November 22
25th November 22
2nd December 22
9th December 22
16th December 22

Year 5

24th February 23
3rd March 23
10th March 23
17th March 23
24th March 23
31st March 23

The swimming lessons will take place at Queens Park Health & Fitness Centre and transport will be arranged by school.

Below are the swimwear requirements set by the local authority.

'Pupils should be encouraged to wear swimming caps during the lessons or hair must be tied back. Correct swimwear must be worn at all times.

Girls must wear a one-piece swimsuit (no two piece at all). No Wet Suits.

Boys must wear swimming trunks or shorts of no longer than mid thigh length with no pockets (no Bermudas or long shorts are acceptable as these can become dangerous when the pockets become full of water). No Wet Suits.

No Jewellery to be worn including all types of earrings.

Any child attending the pool without the correct equipment will not be allowed to swim.'

Any armbands/floats etc will be provided.

A letter has recently been sent out to parents of Year 6 containing more details and a letter to parents of Year 5 children will be sent out nearer the time.



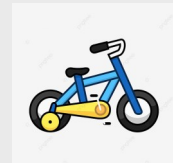
Volunteers

A number of classes in school need volunteers to help with reading. If you are able to spare a morning or afternoon, or even an hour to help in school, we would be extremely grateful. Please inform Mrs Trivass when you would be able to help and if you have a preference for a particular age group. Thank you for your support.



Wow — The Walk to School Challenge

REMINDER: We are once again taking part in the Living Streets Walk to School Challenge. We are trying to encourage as many children as we can to walk, park and stride, cycle or scoot to school. Your child will log how they have travelled each day, if they travel sustainably at least once a week for a month, they will be rewarded with a badge.



E Safety

I would like to direct all parents and carers to the E Safety section of our school website. Information about how to add parental controls to your child's digital devices along with many more useful tips can be found on there.





Pupil of the Week

Wonder Wall

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| Nursery | Grace McAuliffe | Lillie Wood |
| Reception | Arthur Kavanagh | Jemima Holland |
| Y1 | Elizabeth Hale | James Barnes |
| Y2 | Scarlett Fass | Olivia Hawkes-Scott |
| Y3 | Hugo Williams | Henry Glynn |
| Y4 | Ava Hopkins | Martha Liptrot |
| Y5 | Tilly Burrows | Mason Leigh |
| Y6 | Max Parsley | Evelyn Gardner |

Y6 Residential – 29th to 31st March 2023

Reminder that the cost of the holiday will need to be paid in full on SchoolMoney by Friday 13th January 2023.

Spending money of 6 x £1 coins (in an envelope please) can be handed to the school office any time from now until March.

We will be arranging a meeting before the February holidays in 2023 where we will give out necessary paperwork and provide you with information such as a kit list etc. You will also be able to ask any questions you may have and discuss, if necessary, any special needs.

School Diary — Next Week in School

Monday 7th November

Choir

Drumming 3:15-4:15

Year 1 & 2 Dodgeball 3.15-4.15

Tuesday 8th November

Guitar Lessons

Year 3 & 4 Dodgeball 3.15-4.15

Wednesday 9th November

NO String Lessons today

Brass Lessons

Toddler Group 9:30-11:00am

Drumming 3:15-4:15

KS1 Boccia tournament

Thursday 10th November

Friday 11th November

Year 6 remembrance service

Year 6 swimming 1.00-2.00 (2 of 7)



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

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| Autumn Term 2023 | Wed 6 Sept | Fri 27 Oct |
| Autumn Term 2023 | Tues 7 Nov | Thurs 21 Dec |
| Spring Term 2024 | Mon 8 Jan | Fri 9 Feb |
| Spring Term 2024 | Mon 19 Feb | Thurs 28 March |
| Summer Term 2024 | Mon 15 April | Thurs 23 May |
| Summer Term 2024 | Mon 3 June | Tues 23 July |

School also closed:
May Day—Monday 6th May 2024

Wallet size cards are available from the school office.



Letter to parents and guardians from Merseyside Police re. Halloween and Bonfire Night

We are writing to all parents and guardians to ask for your help over Halloween, Bonfire Night and the days around it.

We want everyone to have fun and we'll be working hard to keep you safe.

BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP

Know where your children are

- Encourage kids to go to local events that are being organised, or try a spooky film together
- If your children are going out (particularly on the 30th and 31st of October), make sure you know where they're going. If possible, drop them off and pick them up
- Don't let your children hang around the street
- If they're going somewhere local – walk there with them
- Have an agreed time when they need to be home
- Don't buy fireworks or eggs and flour for them, and don't let them take it out of the house

Know the risks

- Throwing things at cars, buses, shops and houses can hurt people – drivers might swerve if they get distracted and cause a crash, or someone might get hurt by broken glass (and scratched paintwork can be very expensive to fix)
- Getting into trouble with the police can lead to a criminal record, which means not being able to go on holiday to countries like the USA, and not being able to do certain jobs
- Messing around with fireworks is dangerous – some burn as hot as 1,200 degrees - hot enough to melt glass and cause serious or fatal injuries

Know the law

If a young person under the age of 16 commits any of the offences below, the parent/guardian will have to pay the fine.

- A person under the age of 16 can be arrested and fined if found with an unlit firework
- A person under the age of 16 can also be arrested and fined if they throw or light a firework or make a bonfire
- A person under the age of 16 can be arrested and fined for throwing things like eggs, flour, paint or other objects at people, vehicles or property

Thank you for your help and support. By working together, we can keep your children safe this Halloween and Bonfire Night.

Merseyside Police