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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

04.03.24 Ramadan

11.03.24 Protected Characteristics

> 18.03.24 Holi

25.03.24 Faster

Dates for your diary

06.03.24 Book Exchange 3-4pm

> 07.03.24 World Book Day

15.03.24 Comic Relief Red Nose Day

22.03.24 Non-Uniform Chocolate Donation

> 26.03.24 Easter Bingo 3.30-5pm

28.03.24 EYFS Easter Bonnet Parade

28.03.24 School Closes for half term 1.50/2pm



To say thank you for all that you do for our children in the community, we would like to invite all Grandparents in the area to a community afternoon tea event. Thank you Grandparents!



GRANDPARENTS' AFTERNOON TEA

Friday 26th April 2PM Chapel End Primary School



Year 5 & 6 Football Training

Football training will start Tuesday 5th March 3.15-4.15pm



World Book Day

We are celebrating World Book Day in school on Thursday 7th March.

Our focus text this year is 'Rain before Rainbows' by Smriti Halls. It is an inspiring pictures book giving the message that there is always a way out of the darkness.

On the day, we are asking everyone to wear brightly coloured clothing.

Your child has brought home a £1 National Book Token—this can be used towards purchasing a new book or swap the token for a FREE book. For further details please find more information on the reverse of the book token.





Comic Relief Friday 15th March



Together at Chapel End Primary School this year we are joining the Red Nose Day campaign.

Children can wear non-uniform and wear red and white!

If you would like to make a donation go to www.comicrelief.com website and click the green 'donate' tab at the top of the page.

PTFA Spring Term Events

Book Exchange is Wednesday 6th March, see details on the next page.

Easter Bingo

Easter Bingo will take place on <u>Tuesday 26th March</u> - 3.30-5.00pm.

Tickets are priced at £3 each and include several games of bingo. There will also be a raffle and refreshments available. In order for us to be able to comply with Fire Regulations and also to make sure that we can comfortably seat everybody, everyone attending needs to purchase a ticket. Tickets will go on sale on **Monday 4**th **March** from the school office. Please try to ensure you have the correct change when purchasing your tickets. Thank you.





Nursery & Infant Easter Bonnet Parade



It is traditional at Chapel End to hold an 'Easter Bonnet Parade' for all Nursery and KS1 children. This will take place on Thursday 28th March and we very much hope that all children will participate.

We hope that, with your help, your child will make a simple Easter or Spring hat to bring to school on that day. Small prizes will be given to the 'best' ones in each class. Hopefully the weather will be fine and the children will be able to go home wearing their decorated hat. Please speak with your child's teacher if you require any further information.

PTFA Book Exchange

Dear Parents,

For World Book Day we will be holding a book exchange event to celebrate and promote our love of reading. This will take place on <u>Wednesday 6th March.</u>

On this day we ask that children bring in a book that they no longer need. These can be children's and/or adult's books and we welcome as many as possible.

These will be collected together and sorted by the PTFA and then at the end of the day they will be on display in the hall for children to take. (Children are welcome to take more than one). All we ask for is a donation towards the PTFA in exchange for the books taken. The amount you donate is entirely up to you – we welcome all amounts, big or small!

The books will be available in the main hall from 3 – 4 pm.

Thank you in advance for your support for this event.

Chapel End PTFA

Note: Children must be accompanied by a parent/carer and it is the responsibility of that adult to ensure the books chosen are suitable. Although we will do our best to check the content of the books, the PTFA take no responsibility for the suitability of the books for individual children.

A Big Thank You!!!

We would like to say a <u>big Thank You</u> to our regular reading volunteer,

Mrs Williams

Mrs Williams has very kindly donated money to our school which we have used to enhance our PHSE reading resources.



Y6 Booster Classes

In preparation for the Year 6 children's SATS in May, Booster classes are on Thursdays (except 27.03.24) 3.15-4.30pm and will cover Maths and English. Children are invited to bring an additional snack and drink to have at 3.15pm before their class begins.

Thursday 7th March, Thursday 14th March, Thursday 21st March, Wednesday 27th March

After the Easter holidays, the sessions will be on the following dates:

Thursday 18th April, Thursday 25th April, Thursday 2nd May, Thursday 9th May

<u>Y6 Residential - 20th to 22nd May 2024</u> Manor Adventure, Willersley Castle, Peak District

For the children that are attending the Y6 residential in May 2024, the payment balance has been added to your child's SchoolMoney account. It has been set up so that you can pay as much as you want, when you want, but must be paid in full by 31st March 2024. THIS IS 4 WEEKS AWAY.

Spending money of $3 \times £1$ coins (in an envelope please) can be handed to the school office any time from now until May.

A meeting will be arranged for April 2024 with detailed information regarding activities, room arrangements and kit lists. You will also be able to ask any questions you may have and discuss, if necessary, any special needs.

Important -Advanced Information!!

In line with the majority of schools across the borough, we finish early on the final day of each **term** (end of half terms will be normal times). Please note on Thursday 28th March school finishes at the following times:

1.50pm Nursery, Reception,

2.00pm Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6

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

NB: The last After School Club of the term will be Wednesday 27th March.

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.

Dates for the Diary

March

Wednesday 6th March—Book Exchange 3-4pm
Thursday 7th March — World Book Day (wear something bright)
Friday 15th March — Comic Relief Red Nose Day (wear red & white)
Friday 22nd March — Non-uniform Day (chocolate donation)
Tuesday 26th March — Easter Bingo 3.30-5pm
Thursday 28th March — EYFS & KS1 Easter Bonnet Parade
Thursday 28th March — School closes for half term at 1.50/2pm

April

Monday 15th April — School re-opens Friday 19th April—Open Day Tuesday 23rd April — Leavers Photos

May

Monday 6th May — Bank Holiday Monday 13th May — Friday 17th May SATS week Monday 20th May — Wednesday 22nd May - Year 6 Residential Thursday 23rd May — EYFS & KS1 Sports Day (am) and KS2 (pm) Thursday 23rd May — School closes for half term

June

Monday 3rd June — School re-opens
Wednesday 12th June — Year 1 & 2 end of Year School trip
Friday 14th June — Year 3 & 4 end of year school trip

<u>July</u>

Friday 5th July — Summer Fair Wednesday 17th July — Year 6 production Tuesday 23rd July — Year 6 Leavers Assembly Tuesday 23rd July — School closes at 2pm

<u>September</u>

Wednesday 4th September — School re-opens

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 Montrose when you would be able to help and if you have a preference for a particular age group. Thank you for your support.



Pupil of the Week	Wond	er V	<u>Vall</u>

Nursery	Aria Bennison	Cassian Leyland
Reception	Leon Lawson-Jones	Mia Platt
Y1	Ella Taylor	Sophia-Rose Comiskey
Y2	Archie Mellor	Poppy Corish
Y3	Joel Mclean	Madoc Hughes
Y4	Hugo Williams	Oliver Gaskell
Y5	Esme Stein	Ayva Lowery
Y6	Isaac Watson	Miley Hunter

Class Attendance for w/c 19th February

<u>Class</u>	% attendance for week	
Nursery	95.0	
Reception	88.4	
Year One	100	
Year Two	97.5	
Year Three	96.1	
Year Four	86.1	
Year Five	94.7	
Year Six	84.4	

The national target for attendance in Primary schools is 96%

Well done to Year 1 for getting 100%!!! Wow!!!

Well done to Year 2 and 3 for hitting our 96% attendance target!!

By continuing to work together I am sure that we can get all classes meeting 96%.

Thank you for your continued support.

<u>School Diary — Next week in School</u>

Monday 4th March

Reception, Years 1 and 2 Multisports (7 of 10) 3.15-4.15pm

Tuesday 5th March

Keyboard and Guitar lessons Steve's Boccia and Kurling Years 1 and 2 (7 of 9) 3.15-4.20pm Football 3.15-4.15pm

Wednesday 6th March

Toddler Group 9.30-11am Netball 3.15-4.15pm Book Exchange 3-4pm

Thursday 7th March

Steve's circuit training Years 3, 4 and 5 (7 of 9) 3.15-4.20pm
Drumming lessons
Year 6 Booster Class 3.15-4.30pm
World Book Day (wear something bright)

Friday 8th March

String lessons



Term Dates for 2023-2024

	Opens on	Closes on
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

Term Dates for 2024-2025

	Opens on	Closes on
Autumn Term 2024	Wed 4 Sept	Thurs 24 Oct
Autumn Term 2024	Mon 4 Nov	Fri 20 Dec
Spring Term 2025	Mon 6 Jan	Thurs 13 Feb
Spring Term 2025	Mon 24 Feb	Fri 4 April
Summer Term 2025	Tues 22 April	Thurs 22 May
Summer Term 2025	Mon 2 June	Tues 22 July

School also closed:
May Day—Monday 5th May 2025

These term date cards are available to collect at the school office.

Our school Value of this half term is LOVE



Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club runs from 7.30-8.50am each morning. It costs £6 per session and should be paid IN ADVANCE via SchoolMoney.

After School Club

After School Club runs from 3.15-5.30pm each evening. It costs £8 per session and, like the Breakfast Club, should be paid <u>IN ADVANCE</u> via SchoolMoney.

Both of these clubs are extremely popular and we are limited to numbers.

IMPORTANT—We do have procedures in place for booking places in both of these clubs. Firstly, please email school by 1.00pm on a Friday for the sessions you would like booking for the following week (chapelend@sthelens.org.uk). The costs for both clubs are shown above. When you book by email you then need to total the cost of your sessions and add this to your child's SchoolMoney account. You can add this in the Club top-up section on the account.

If you need to attend Breakfast Club in an emergency, on a day that you haven't booked, please ring Breakfast Club on that morning and see if there is a place available. Likewise, if you need After School Club and you haven't booked in please ring school and we can see if there is a space.

If you need to cancel a booking on the day please ring school and speak to a member of staff to inform them that you don't need the place on that day. This place can then be offered to another child. If you need to cancel a future booking you can do this by email.

Please be aware that staff have the authority to refuse a booking if the SchoolMoney account is not up to date.

Change of Meal Arrangements

Please note that meal arrangements can only be changed after each school holiday.

The next time your child can change their meal arrangements is after the Easter holiday.

If you would like to change your child's meal arrangements after Easter, please email school at **chapelend@sthelens.org.uk** by Tuesday 26th March.



Fish Friday Payments

Please remember Fish Friday is paid <u>in advance of the term.</u>
Please note Fish Friday for this half term is £13.00 (5 weeks).



School Uniform Shop

Our onsite uniform shop is open in the foyer. Parents and carers are able to purchase items of uniform for £2 each or 3 for £5. All polo shirts are 2 for £1.

Any items purchased can be paid in cash or on School Money, Thank you.





