



BILLINGE CHAPEL END

— SCHOOL & NURSERY —



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 6th September 2024

Website: www.chapelend.st-helens.sch.uk

Email: chapelend@sthelens.org.uk

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

09.09.24

Schools values & trust information

16.09.24

Protected characteristics

23.09.24

Roald Dahl & other children's authors

Dates for your diary

12.09.24

School photos

27.09.24

Roald Dahl Day



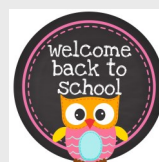
Welcome back

Welcome back to all of our existing school families and a very warm welcome to Billinge Chapel End Primary School to our new starters this year. I must say our 2 year olds have done brilliantly!

Myself, the staff and governors are looking forward to working in partnership with all of our parents and carers to provide the best opportunities for all of our children.

We have many fun packed activities planned this year in school alongside trips that will create everlasting memories for all our children.

Please see your class newsletter on the school website as of this Friday to find more detailed information.



Our school Value of this half term is Kindness



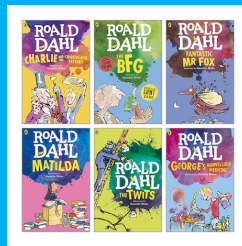
Important Notice

There will be no after school club provision on Monday 23rd September due to staff safeguarding training. Breakfast club provision will operate as normal on this date.

Roald Dahl

It is tradition at Billinge Chapel End that we celebrate the works of Roald Dahl in the month of his birthday which is September. This year we are celebrating his works on Friday 27th September. Children can attend school in either clothing matching his favourite colour 'YELLOW' or a favourite Roald Dahl character dress up.

EYFS have PE on a Friday so please could they wear trainers on this day.



POLITE REMINDER

Please note that unless you have a blue badge or have an arranged agreement with Mr Hewitt, parking on the School car park is not permitted.

Should you have a badge and haven't already done so, please bring to the school office so we can we take a copy for our records.



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.



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.

School opening hours

Reminder - start time of the school day is **8:45am** for all classes.

Doors will open at 8:40am and it is expected that all children are settled for registration at 8:45am.

Classroom doors will be closed at 8:55am and children arriving after this time will come through the office and be marked as late. Nursery 15 hours children will be collected at 11:40am, with 30 hours children being collected at 3pm. The EYFS door will remain open from 3pm- 3:15pm so Reception children can be collected.

The end of the school day for children Year 1—Year 6 is 3:15pm

Drop off and pick up for the 2 year old provision is 9AM, 12PM and 3PM

Attendance and holiday requests

The Local Authority and DFE are now working very closely with schools to ensure that all children are attending school regularly and consistently. If a child is missing school regularly or is persistently late their academic progress can be seriously jeopardised. For example; a child with a 90% attendance rate at the end of the year will have missed four whole weeks of school and 100 hours of learning opportunities. As a school, we have a threshold agreed with the LA of **96%** attendance as a minimum and our School Attendance Officer will be proactive in contacting parents/carers of children whose attendance is falling below this threshold. Please see the new attendance policy for 2024 on the school website: [28676462 \(chapelend.st-helens.sch.uk\)](https://28676462.chapelend.st-helens.sch.uk)

Earrings

It is school policy that children do not wear earrings in school, this includes earring with plasters covering them. We would like to ask all parents/carers to remove children's earrings before they arrive at school. Teachers are authorised to support children in removing earrings if they wear them in school.

School Photographs

The school photographer will be in school on Thursday 12th September. Children will have individual photos and photos with siblings. More information about how to purchase a photo will follow.

Medical Appointments during school hours

Last year **126** school sessions were missed through pupil's medical appointments being arranged in school time. All medical appointments, including dentist and doctor's appointments, should be arranged, whenever possible, outside of school hours. **Please note that in order to satisfy DFE requirements, when appointments are taken in school time, parents must provide medical evidence to support the absence for example by providing an appointment card or hospital appointment letter, clearly marked for the attention of the office staff.** Thank you for your cooperation with this.



PE Kit

Just a reminder that children should come to school in their PE kit on the day they will be doing PE.

EYFS Friday

Y1 Wednesday

Y2 Wednesday

Y3 Monday

Y4 Tuesday

Y5 Tuesday

Y6 Thursday



School Diary — This week in School

Monday 9th September

Tuesday 10th September

Wednesday 11th September

Thursday 12th September

School Photos

Friday 13th September

Judo Assembly Years 2-6



Term Dates for 2024-2025

	<u>Opens on</u>	<u>Closes on</u>
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.

Uniform Orders

New uniforms can be ordered through school. Uniform order forms are available from the dispenser in the entrance hall and on Chapel End Spider, in the virtual office. Please return your orders to school, we will then add the cost of your order onto your child's **SchoolMoney** account to enable you to make payment. Please write your child's name clearly on the order form, as this will be printed on the label inside the garments you order. Please ensure the form is completed correctly i.e. size and item required.

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 Tuesday 22nd October.

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

Fish Friday Payments

Please remember Fish Friday is paid **in advance of the term.**

Fish Friday for this term is **£20.65 (7 weeks).**

Early Bird Club

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

Buzz Club

Buzz Club runs from 3.15-5.30pm each evening. It costs £8 per session and, like the Early Bird Club, should be paid **IN ADVANCE** via SchoolMoney.

Please note that these clubs are extremely popular and we are limited to numbers, so bookings should be made by **1pm the Friday before the week your child is attending**, by emailing your requirements to the school office chapelend@sthelens.org.uk.

School Uniform

A full list is given below. Children may continue to wear Summer uniform throughout September as September is often quite warm but all pupils should be in full Winter uniform by the second half of the Autumn term.

Boys Uniform

Red round-neck school jumper if possible displaying the Chapel End Primary School emblem.
White polo T-shirt
Grey trousers
Grey short-trousers in summer
Plain grey socks
Black school shoes

Girls Uniform

Red round-neck school jumper or red school cardigan if possible displaying the Chapel End Primary School emblem.
White polo T-shirt
Plain grey pinafore, grey skirt (appropriate length) or grey trousers
Red gingham dress in summer (red and white checks)
Grey tights
White socks (recommended for Summer) Grey socks (recommended for Winter)
Black Shoes

PE Kits

Your child will participate in PE lessons on specified days each week. Parents will be informed which days their child has PE and children can wear their PE kit all day. If a child has an after-school PE club, they will wear their uniform and change into their kit at the end of the school day.

Plain white round neck T-shirt
Plain red shorts
Plain red sweatshirt/ hoodie
Plain black jogging bottoms
Trainers suitable for indoor and outdoor physical activity.

For more information on PE, swimming, hair etc please read our Uniform Policy on Chapel End Spider under Essential Information, Policies.





You are invited to **Sta's4all**

This is short for 'St. Aidan's for everyone'.

This month – **September 8th** from **10.30 a.m.** till
approx. 11.30am

We thank **St. Aidan's School** for allowing us to use their hall for this event.

The event occurs on the 2nd Sunday of each month and is hosted by a group of volunteers from St. Aidan's Church, many of whom have been involved since it started in March 2009. It is for anyone who wants to come - any age group (pensioners welcome), and from any school or faith. Most of our families have a child of Infant or Primary School age. Children should be accompanied by an adult.

Each session opens with craft activities around a Biblical theme usually designed to help the children to learn new Bible stories and explore the Christian faith, but anyone can enjoy them. We have a time of worship including some worship songs, a story, prayers and often we are assisted by our resident puppets. There are 3 activity tables plus a welcome table. You are not expected to visit every table, activities will be designed to support children of different ages. For very young children there is also a soft mat with toys to play with. During the activity time refreshments are available – and you can chat to our volunteers and to other families – building friendship is a key part of our event.

All of our volunteers have completed safeguarding training provided by the Liverpool Diocese. Safeguarding also requires each person attending - volunteers, children and adults to be signed in at each event. These lists are stored in a locked cabinet. For security reasons we close the front door from approximately 10.45am.

<https://youtu.be/OUa3Fn-KHOE>

We would love to meet you!

MUSIC SERVICE ENSEMBLES AT ST HELENS TOWN HALL

2024 - 25 FREE!

TUESDAY...

ROCK & POP BAND

4.30PM - 5.50PM

WEDNESDAY

WIDER OPPORTUNITIES BAND

4PM - 5PM

WEDNESDAY

INTERMEDIATE WIND BAND

4PM - 5PM

WEDNESDAY

INTERMEDIATE STRINGS

4PM - 5PM

WEDNESDAY

MUSIC THEORY CLUB

4PM - 5PM

WEDNESDAY

YOUTH WIND ORCHESTRA

5.15PM - 6.30PM

WEDNESDAY

SINFONIA

5.15PM - 6.30PM

WEDNESDAY

MUSIC THEORY CLUB

5.15PM - 6.30PM



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WELCOME TO THE SCHOOLS MUSIC SERVICE

The S.M.S provides quality music education and support in schools and in the community. Established in 1997, we provide tuition for over 1000 children in schools throughout the North West.

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Group rate tuition fees are based on around 3 pupils sharing a half hour lesson. There are 10 lessons per term, totalling 30 lessons per academic year. The cost is £7.50 per lesson, £75.00 per term, a total of £225.00 a year. Parents may pay in advance or by 10 monthly instalments of £22.50.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE DETAILS:

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