



# BILLINGE CHAPEL END

— SCHOOL & NURSERY —



## SPRING 2 NEWSLETTER

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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

24.02.25  
School Book Exchange

03.03.25  
St David

10.03.25  
St Patrick

17.03.25  
Neurodiversity

24.03.25  
Autism

31.03.25  
Easter

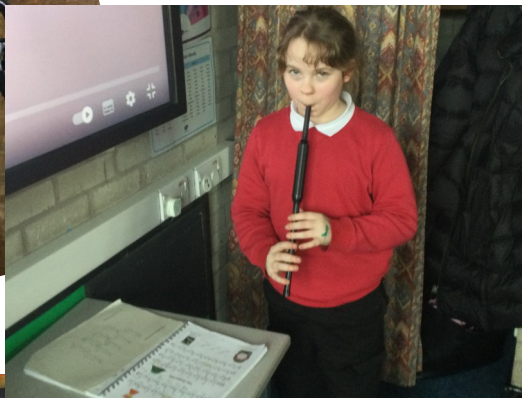
## Shine Week!

In Spring 1 we completed our first Shine Week in school and it was a huge success. We would like to thank all members of our school community, including past pupils, who gave their time to support the experiences of our children across the school during the week.

Shine week is a time where we endeavour to show the children in school knowledge and skills that they may not encounter in every day National Curriculum lessons. The aim is to create new hopes and aspirations for them so that they can pursue careers and lifestyles in areas that interest them the most in the future.

This was our first Shine Week and was dedicated to Mrs Connor who sadly passed away at the beginning of term. She always gave children the opportunity to let their own talent shine and from now on this week in school will be dedicated to the memory of Mrs Connor.

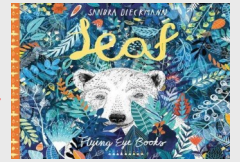




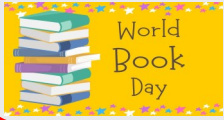
## World Book Day

We are celebrating World Book Day in school on Thursday 6th March .

The focus text for school this year is *Leaf* by Sandra Dieckmann. This is a heart-warming story filled with colour, and encapsulates the values of tolerance and acceptance. To celebrate the day, children are invited to attend school wearing bright colours or in a costume representing a character or story of their own choice.



Your child will bring 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.



Please see the back of the newsletter for information about the Book Exchange.



## Comic Relief Friday 21st 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](http://www.comicrelief.com) website and click the green 'donate' tab at the top of the page.



## 2's, EYFS & KS1 Easter Bonnet Parade

It is traditional at Chapel End to hold an 'Easter Bonnet Parade' for all 2's, EYFS & KS1 children. This will take place on Friday 4th April 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. 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.



## Easter Bonnet Parade



## 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 Friday 4th April school finishes at the following times:

**1.50pm 2's, 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 Thursday 3rd April.**

## PTFA Spring Term Events

### Mother's Day Gift Shop

With Mother's Day approaching we have decided to give the children at Chapel End the opportunity to purchase a small gift for the special people in their lives. These gifts will be personalised and will be presented in a gift bag with a tag that the children can write themselves. All gifts will be £3.00. In order to avoid too many children shopping at once and to give the children the opportunity to save their pocket money we will be providing specific shopping days for each class on the following dates:

Y5 and Y6 – Monday 17th March

Y3 and Y4 – Tuesday 18th March

Y1 and Y2 – Wednesday 19th March

2's & EYFS – Thursday 20th March

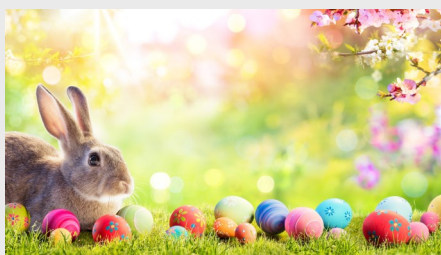
Mother's Day this year is on Sunday 30th March.

Many thanks in anticipation for your support.

## Easter Bingo

Easter Bingo will take place on Wednesday 2nd April - 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. Please note this is not a child only event. Tickets will go on sale on **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March** from the school office. Please try to ensure you have the correct change when purchasing your tickets. Thank you.





Next half term our PSHE/Coram Scarf lessons will focus on 'Rights and Respect'. Here are some of the themes the children will be exploring...

EYFS	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Looking after things: friends, environment & money	Taking care of things: Myself My money My environment	Cooperation Self-regulation Online safety Looking after money - saving and spending	Skills we need to develop as we grow up Helping and being helped Looking after the environment Managing money	Making a difference (different ways of helping others or the environment) Media influence Decisions about spending money Rights, respect and duties relating to my health Making a difference Decisions about lending, borrowing and spending	Understanding media bias, including social media Caring: communities and the environment Earning and saving money Understanding democracy	Understanding media bias, including social media Caring: communities and the environment Earning and saving money Understanding democracy

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### 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 your diary 2025

## February

Tuesday 25th February—Young Voices Concert in Manchester

## March

Thursday 6th March — World Book Day & PTFA book exchange

Wednesday 19th & Thursday 20th March—Parents Evening

Friday 21st March — Comic Relief Red Nose Day

Friday 28th March — Non-uniform Day (chocolate donation)

## April

Wednesday 2nd April—Easter Bingo

Thursday 3rd April—Spring Song

Friday 4th April — EYFS & KS1 Easter Bonnet Parade

**Friday 4th April School closes for Easter 1.50/2pm**

Tuesday 22nd April — School re-opens

Tuesday 29th April—class group photos

## May

Monday 5th May — Bank Holiday

Monday 12th -Thursday 15th May SATS week

Thursday 22nd May — School closes for half term

## June

Monday 2nd June — School re-opens

Friday 20th June—Sports Day

Wednesday 25th - Friday 27th June— Year 6 Residential

## July

Friday 4th July — Summer Fair

Wednesday 16th July — Year 6 production

Tuesday 22nd July — School closes at 1.50/2pm

## September

Wednesday 3rd September — School re-opens



**Toddler Group**  
0-4 YEARS

**BILLINGE CHAPEL END  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**EVERY THURSDAY  
(TERM TIME ONLY)  
9:30 AM - 11:00 AM**

Come to stay and play, sing songs  
and have some fun!

**£2 PER FAMILY INCLUDING  
A DRINK AND SNACK**

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION  
CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE ON:  
01744678230**

### 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 website, 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.

#### Term Dates for 2024-2025

	Opens on	Closes on
<b>Autumn Term 2024</b>	Wed 4 Sept	Thurs 24 Oct
<b>Autumn Term 2024</b>	Mon 4 Nov	Fri 20 Dec
<b>Spring Term 2025</b>	Mon 6 Jan	Thurs 13 Feb
<b>Spring Term 2025</b>	Mon 24 Feb	Fri 4 April
<b>Summer Term 2025</b>	Tues 22 April	Thurs 22 May
<b>Summer Term 2025</b>	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.

#### Term Dates for 2025-2026

	Opens on	Closes on
<b>Autumn Term 2025</b>	Wed 3 Sept	Thurs 23 Oct
<b>Autumn Term 2025</b>	Mon 3 Nov	Thurs 18 Dec
<b>Spring Term 2026</b>	Mon 5 Jan	Thurs 12 Feb
<b>Spring Term 2026</b>	Mon 23 Feb	Fri 27 March
<b>Summer Term 2026</b>	Mon 13 April	Thurs 21 May
<b>Summer Term 2026</b>	Mon 1 June	Fri 17 July

School also closed: May Day—Monday 4th May 2026

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### Change of Meal Arrangements

If you would like to change your child's meal arrangements after Easter, please email school at [chapelend@sthelens.org.uk](mailto:chapelend@sthelens.org.uk) by Wednesday 2nd April.

### Fish Friday Payments

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

Fish Friday for this term is **£17.70 (6 weeks).**



# 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 **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March.**

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.