

BILLINGE CHAPEL END

— SCHOOL & NURSERY —



WEEKLY 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.

**Big Schools Bird Watch
2022**

(6th-21st Feb)

Week Beg 24th Jan

Feast of Our Lady
Catholic Festival

Week Beg 31st Jan

DT Week
LGBT Awareness

Week Beg 7th Feb

NSPCC number Week



World Religion Day

We have been learning this week that there are many religions in the world. There are lots of similarities between them such as the promotion of love, kindness and forgiveness.



For help and advice on how to keep safe online please visit our school website.

[Billinge Chapel End Primary School: E-Safety](http://www.chapelend.st-helens.sch.uk)

Y6 Booster Classes - Maths & English

In preparation for the Year 6 children's SATS in May, booster classes commenced this week, for 9 sessions up until Easter, then a further 3 sessions after Easter, please see remaining dates below.

Booster classes are on Thursdays 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 27th January
Thursday 3rd February
Thursday 24th February
Thursday 3rd March
Thursday 10th March
Thursday 17th March
Thursday 24th March
Thursday 31st March

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

Thursday 21st April
Thursday 28th April
Thursday 5th May

Computer Headphones

REMINDER: To improve our standards of computing even further in school during the pandemic where we are unable to share resources, parents and carers (of children in Y1-Y6) now have the opportunity to purchase a pair of headphones for their child which they can use when they access our computing suite. Headphones are on sale at the great price of £2 a set. Children will store the headphones in their tray and use them during Computing lessons. In the event of a child losing or breaking their headphones, parents and carers would be asked to purchase another pair. Headphones can be purchased through our 'SchoolMoney' system.



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 toiletries-based and will be presented in a gift bag with a tag that the children can write themselves. All gifts will be £2.50.

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 school bubble on the following dates:

Y5 and Y6—Wednesday 16th March

Y3 and Y4—Thursday 17th March

Foundation Stage, Y1 and Y2—Friday 18th March.

Mother's Day this year is on Sunday 27th March.

Easter Chocolate Fun

On **Friday 4th March** we will be holding a non-uniform day. The children will be able to attend school in their own clothes in return for a donation of a small Easter Egg or a chocolate bar.

These donations will then be used as prizes for our Grand Chocolate Raffle and our class-based Easter Bingo. Both of these events are scheduled to take place on the last day of the Spring Term (**Friday 1st April**).

More details on the above events will be provided closer to the time.

Many thanks in anticipation of your support.

Education Welfare Officer - 'Late Gates'

Chapel End's Education Welfare Officer, Debbie Mousdell, will be in school over a two week period this term.

Debbie will be on school premises speaking to children and parents who arrive to school late in the mornings to improve children's punctuality and attendance.

St Helens Foodbank

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.



Would your child like to play in their very own rock band?

Rocksteady in-school band lessons are the perfect opportunity for your child to learn new skills, develop friendships and have the time of their life.

Watch this short video to see what learning in a band could do for your child's well-being:
<https://www.rocksteadymusicschool.com/watch-video/>

For more information, please contact the school office. Thank you.

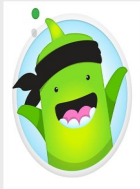


Change of Meal Arrangements

A reminder that if your child would like to change meal arrangements after the holidays, please email school.chapelend@sthelens.org.uk by **Wednesday 9th February**.

School meals cost £12.50 per week and are paid each Monday in advance. Fish Friday (packed lunches Monday-Thursday and a school meal on a Friday) are also paid in advance for the term (£15.00 next term, 6 weeks).

NB: Please remember that meal arrangements apply for a half term and pupils may only change after a holiday period.



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

Chapel End Social Media

Reminder: We now have our own dedicated Facebook and twitter pages.

Please follow us at:
@Billinge CEP



<https://www.facebook.com/chapelendbillinge/>

Junior Milk Money (Years 3-6)

Reminder: Milk Money is due for payment from parents of junior children who signed up for their child to have milk for this year. The cost for the Spring Term is **£11.40**. If you have not already done so, please pay via SchoolMoney. Thank you.





Congratulations to the following children who were praised this week. Children who are attending school from each class have their work placed on Mr Hewitt's Wonder Wall to celebrate their achievements.

Pupil of the Week

Wonder Wall

Nursery	Alannah Lenahan	Jemima Holland
Reception	James Barnes	Seb Colquitt
Y1	Amias Aslam-Gallagher	Isabelle Mills
Y2	Alfie Haggerty-Arnold	Toby Skinner
Y3	Esme Stein	Verb Writing Group
Y4	Megan Leigh	Megan Roberts
Y5	Lucy Hladikova	Joshua Skinner
Y6	Isobel Norton	Jenny Peers

Homework Policy

In the summer term this year we are reviewing the school's homework policy. This process will involve taking on board views from the children, parents and staff along with developments in home learning which evolved during lockdown periods.

As a result of this, we will not be renewing the school subscription of 'Mathletics' at this present time. Your child's class teacher will communicate through Dojo what maths tasks can be completed alongside the existing multiplication facts and number bonds work that will continue to be sent home this year.

School Diary

Monday 24th January

Y6 Swimming

Y1 & Y2 Dodgeball (2 of 4) 3.15-4.15pm

Tuesday 25th January

Schools Music Service Guitar Lessons

Choir—12 noon

Y3 & Y4 Dodgeball (2 of 4) 3.15-4.15pm

Wednesday 26th January

Schools Music Service Brass Lessons

Y4, 5 & 6 St Helens Music Service Strings Lessons

Y5 & 6 Judo (3 of 5) 12.15pm

Thursday 27th January

Y6 Booster Class 3.15-4.30pm (2 of 12)

Friday 28th January

Rock Steady Music—PM

Term Dates for 2021-2022

	Opens on	Closes on
Autumn Term 2021	Mon 6 Sept	Fri 22 Oct
Autumn Term 2021	Mon 1 Nov	Wed 22 Dec
Spring Term 2022	Thurs 6 Jan	Fri 11 Feb
Spring Term 2022	Mon 21 Feb	Fri 1 April
Summer Term 2022	Tues 19 April	Thurs 26 May
Summer Term 2022	Tues 7 June	Wed 20 July

School also closed:
May Day—Monday 2nd May 2022

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