

BILLINGE CHAPEL END

— SCHOOL & NURSERY —

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

26th February 2021



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. Teachers will incorporate activities linked to these themes into blended learning.

Week beg 1/3

World Book Day

St David's Day

Week beg 8/3

Careers and Aspirations

Mothers' Day

Week beg 15/3

Disabled Access Awareness

Shakespeare Book Day

Red Nose Day

Week beg 22/3

Poetry Week

World Water Week

Week beg 29/3

Autism Awareness Week



School reopening

We are delighted to announce that school will be reopening to all children on the 8th of March 2021. The staff team and I are eager to see our children learning, playing, laughing, smiling and growing up together again. Please note that from the 8th of March, attendance is mandatory for all children of compulsory school age.



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.



During lockdown children will be accessing lots of work online. It is imperative that we keep all of our children safe whilst using the internet.

For advice and guidance about e-safety please visit the safety section of our school website:

[Billinge Chapel End Primary School: E-Safety](#)

Free School Meals

Reminder: We appreciate that with the ongoing corona virus your household income may have declined.

If you feel that you would now qualify for Free School Meals as a result of a fall in household income then you may apply to St Helens Council, Education Benefits using the online application form available through St Helens Council website under Free School Meals.

The application process will require you to provide evidence of proof of income and benefits such as Universal Credit which you can upload directly to the website.

Comic Relief Friday 19th March

Together at Chapel End Primary School this year we are joining the Red Nose Day campaign to 'share a smile'.

Children are invited to wear their own clothes on **Friday 19th March**. It would be brilliant if each child could wear something red, however if they do not have anything in their wardrobe of this colour it is fine to wear other colours. We would ask for a voluntary donation of your choice towards 'Red Nose Day' and this can be paid via SchoolMoney. Please note that plastic-free noses are now available from local supermarkets, which impact less on our environment.



World Book Day

Thursday 4th March

Hello Everyone,

World Book Day this year is on Thursday 4th March. We have decided that we will focus on the theme of kindness alongside a fun activity: 'The Masked Reader'. We are going to use the story 'The Boy, The Mole, The Fox and The Horse' by Charlie Mackesy.

We thought it would be a good idea if lots of us read aloud a few pages each from the story (whilst wearing a mask/ or using a Filter APP (Mr P), record this on an iPad and then send the video on Dojo for the children at home/and in school to guess who the Masked Readers are.



All of the teaching staff will be involved in the reading of the story and it would be lovely for others to be involved too. Please let Mrs Stein know if you would like to take part? She will attach a PDF of the story so that you can have a look before letting her know. No pressure at all! MRS STEIN.

PTFA NEWS

Bedding plants for summer colour in your garden



In the current climate it may be particularly important to make our gardens as colourful as possible, especially if we are going to spend as much time in them as last year. We recently sent home our order forms via email. In a change to previous years, we will be accepting orders via email and payment through school money but please note that any friends or family members are also very welcome to place orders and we will accept paper copies and cheques if payments can't be linked to a child's school money account.

To also make things easier we will be offering a local delivery service (within 3 miles of school) for an extra £3, this will hopefully help anyone who is still unsure about going out to public places.

As all of our usual PTFA activities are currently on hold then your support for this initiative is vital.

If you would like a further copy of the order form emailed to you, please email a request to chapelend@sthelens.org.uk.

Please note all orders must reach school by Friday 26th March 2021.

Music Lessons

Music lessons will resume on the following dates. Music teachers will contact participating pupils directly.

Tuesday 9th March Guitar

Wednesday 10th March Brass

Change of School Meal

Arrangements

If you would like to change your child's school meal arrangements for when they return on 8th March please let school know via Email: chapelend@sthelens.org.uk

NB: School meals cost £12.25 per week (£2.45 per day). If your child chooses Fish Friday (packed lunches Mon-Thurs and a school meal on a Friday) dinner money will be £7.35 for the remainder of the term (3 weeks).



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. Also, we have a virtual Wonder Wall attached to this letter to celebrate children who are learning remotely during lockdown.

	<u>School</u> <u>Wonder Wall</u>	<u>Virtual</u> <u>Wonder Wall</u>
Nursery	Jessica Gaskell	Seb Colquitt
Reception	Madoc Hughes	Molly Haworth
Y1	Henry Glynn	Leela Kavanagh
Y2	Chloe Hitchen	Jack Geoghegan
Y3	Tim Martindale	Harrison Hill
Y4	Georgia Marsh	James Bailey
Y5	Wisam Al-Gburi	Charlotte Wood
Y6	Charlie Fisher	Holly Crook



Junior Decorated Egg Competition

There will be a decorated egg competition for all Junior children on Wednesday 31st March. Those wishing to participate should photograph their egg and upload it to their class dojo page by Tuesday 30th March. Judging will take place on Wednesday 31st March and there will be a small prize for the best eggs in each class.

Nursery & Infant Easter Bonnet Parade

It is traditional at Chapel End to hold an 'Easter Bonnet Parade' for all Nursery and Infant children. A virtual parade will take place on Thursday 1st 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. Please photograph your child wearing it and post it onto Dojo. Class teachers will then create a video of all of the photos which will be played in class. Small prizes will be given to the 'best' ones in each class. Please speak with your child's teacher if you require any further information.



Our Wonder Wall



Viking Clothes and Jewellery

- Viking jewellery was worn to show off how rich a person was.
- Most clothes were made from wool or linen and dyes were made from plants to make their clothes different colours.
- Men wore trousers, tunics and a leather belt.
- Women wore long sleeved linen dresses under a woollen apron type dress.
- Women were found to wear two brooches, one on each side of the chest possibly to hold up their dress.
- Vikings often wore cloaks to keep them warm in the cold.



Create activity

Persuasive letter 25.7.21
 No competition between pupils
 explanations evidence

- everyone dressed the same. No competition with trends. Uniform shows all children the same in their school. Teaches students to dress smartly. Less bullying.
- Worrying about what to wear isn't important. The choice is made for you - No peer pressure. Some children may dress in designer clothes, others may not be able to afford. creates identity in the community. Prepares them for when they leave school. Harder to make fun of clothes.