



BILLINGE CHAPEL END

— 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

20.11.23

Road Safety Assembly

27.11.23

Protected Characteristics

4.12.23

Advent

11.12.23

The Christmas Story

Dates for your diary

20.11.23

Mental Health Support Team
drop in session 2.30pm

8.12.23

Christmas Jumper Day &
Christmas Fair 3.15pm

12.12.23

KS1 Nativity 1.30pm

13.12.23 & 14.12.23

EYFS Nativity 10.30am

On Monday 20th November at 2:30pm, our Educational Mental Health Practitioner, Emma Stewart, will be holding a 'drop in session' for you to come and meet her. Please come along to have a drink, a biscuit and a chat.

To find out about Emma's role and the role of the Mental Health Support team please follow the following link which will take you to our Wellbeing page on our website <https://www.chapelend.st-helens.sch.uk/page/wellbeing/125170>



St Helens Mental Health Support Team

**COFFEE
AFTERNOON**

**MONDAY 20TH
NOVEMBER
2:30PM**

**AT BILLINGE
CHAPEL END
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**COME ALONG FOR A BISCUIT AND A
BREW AND LEARN MORE ABOUT
WHAT SUPPORT MHST OFFERS**





PTFA News



Christmas Fair

This year's Christmas Fair will take place on Friday 8th December from 3:15pm. As in previous years, we will be collecting bottles of wine, filled jam jars, Christmas chocolate/sweets and other Christmas groceries. We will welcome donations at anytime.

Tea with Santa

Unfortunately, Santa cannot make it to our Christmas Fair this year so we will be unable to open our Grotto. However, Santa has very kindly agreed to make it a Christmas to remember for all pupils at Chapel End by visiting us on Thursday 14th December at 3:15pm to have tea with the children. Tickets for this event are priced at £3.50 per pupil and will include hot food and a gift. Tickets are now on sale on School Money. **Please note this is a pupil only event. Children will be taken from class to see Santa and parents should collect their child at 5.00pm.**



Christmas Shopping!

Thank you to everyone who took the time to register with Easyfundraising. We have just received our latest commission cheque for £109.00. This really is money for nothing especially if we all use the app when doing our Christmas shopping.

The concept is very simple, you need to download the Easy Fundraising app and then nominate Billinge Chapel End PTFA as your chosen cause. After that for any shopping you do through the app a donation will be given to the PTFA.

Many thanks for your anticipated support and Happy Christmas Shopping!

Mrs Grimshaw



Christmas Bauble Competition



We are again holding our Christmas Bauble Competition and the baubles will be used to decorate our Christmas tree in the Junior hall. Polystyrene balls are available to purchase from the school office at a cost of £1.

Baubles can be decorated at home using any materials but please ensure they have a hook/loop to enable them to be hung on our Christmas tree. Baubles can be brought into school from **Monday 4th December**.

Santa will choose a winner on Thursday 14th December when he comes for tea. The designer of the winning bauble will receive a small prize.

Children can collect their baubles at the end of term to take home and hang on their own Christmas tree! Prizes will be awarded to the best decorated baubles.

Christmas Nativity

All children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 & Year 2 are involved.

The dates and times of the performances are:

KS1 — A Happy Clappy Nativity - Tuesday 12th December 1.30pm

Tickets are free of charge. Your child will bring home on Monday 20th November 2 tickets for the performance on 12th December. Due to fire regulations, tickets are limited to 2 per child.

EYFS — Wriggly Nativity - Wednesday 13th December 10.30am & Thursday 14th December 10.30am (Please note change of time)

Tickets will be available to collect, free of charge, from the school office from Monday 20th November. Due to fire regulations, tickets are limited to 2 per child.

Please note these performances will not be filmed.



Christmas Parties

This year's Christmas parties will be held on the dates below. **All children should come to school dressed in their party clothes.** At around 11am children will be provided with a hot barm and then will eat their party food at around 2pm.

If your child is on packed lunches they will not need to bring one on party day.

If your child is on school meals they will not need to pay for a school meal on party day. Dinner money for that week will therefore be £7.80

Y5 & Y6 Christmas Party	Monday 18th December
EYFS & KS1 Christmas Party	Tuesday 19th December
Y3 & Y4 Christmas Party	Wednesday 20th December



Team Chocolate Orange Campaign 2023

Elliott Lamb (a relative of a current Y4 child) sadly passed away of a congenital condition at Christmas time in 2010. As part of his legacy the family try to collect as many chocolate oranges as possible to pass on as a small gift and gesture of kindness to those going through challenging times at Christmas and to our incredible NHS heroes, our carers and all of those who helped when lockdown came.

If you would like to donate a chocolate orange please send them into school by Wednesday 13th December. We are hopeful that the choir will be singing at the event.....more details to follow.



For more information please contact chrislamb saint@gmail.com.





Chapel End Christmas Lunch



On **Friday 15th December** all children from N (30 hours), R-Y6 are invited to have a Christmas lunch at lunchtime.

If your child is on packed lunches in :

1. N (30 hrs), Y3-6 please email school to confirm and pay £2.60 via Schoolmoney.
2. R-Y2—email school to confirm, NB no payment required as all pupils in these year groups are entitled to a universal free school meal.
3. If your child is already on school meals or fish Friday **no action is needed**, please pay as normal and your child will automatically be provided with a Christmas lunch on Friday 15th December.

Reminder: Mrs Corr, our school cook, will need final numbers by Friday 24th November to enable her staff to organise the ordering and delivery of food.

Dates for the Diary

November

20.11.23-Mental Health Support Team drop in session 2.30pm

December

8.12.23 Christmas Fair & Christmas Jumper Day

12.12.23-KS1 Nativity 1.30pm

13.12.23 & 14.12.23-EYFS Nativity 10.30am

14.12.23-Tea with Santa

15.12.23-Christmas Dinner

18.12.23-Year 5 & 6 Christmas Party

19.12.23-EYFS & KS1 Christmas Party

20.12.23-Year 3 & 4 Christmas Party

21.12.23-KS2 Morning Carol service 8.30am

21.12.23-School closes at 2pm

(re-opens Monday 8th January)

Autumn Leaves

As we move further into the Autumn months, the nights are drawing in and the leaves are starting to fall, we would like to remind everybody to take extra care when walking on our paths around the school grounds, although every effort is made to keep them clear, with the nature of the setting and being surrounded by trees it isn't always possible and as a result the paths can be quite slippery.



Please note the dates for the remaining Year 5 swimming lessons:

23rd November 2023

30th November 2023

7th December 2023

14th December 2023



Our school value for this half term is 'HONESTY'.

New Winter Menu

Please see below the new winter menu which will start on Monday.

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

If you would like to change your child's meal arrangements after Christmas, please email school at chapelend@sthelens.org.uk by Wednesday 20th December.

WEEK 1 w/c		WEEK 2 w/c		WEEK 3 w/c	
20/11/23, 11/12/23, 01/01/24, 22/01/24, 12/02/24, 04/03/24, 23/03/24, 13/04/24, 16/05/24		27/11/23, 18/12/23, 08/01/24, 29/01/24, 19/02/24, 11/03/24, 01/04/24, 22/04/24, 13/05/24		04/12/23, 23/12/23, 13/01/24, 05/02/24, 26/02/24, 18/03/24, 08/04/24, 29/04/24, 20/05/24	
Winter Menu 2023/24					
WEEK 1					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<i>Choice 1</i>	Sweet & Sour Chicken	Homemade Chicken Pie	Roast Beef Dinner	Tasty Tomato & Mozzarella Pasta Bake	Breaded Fish Stars
<i>Choice 2</i>	(v) Loaded Quesadilla	(v) Hearty Stirling Sausages	(v) Autumn Mince	(v) Cheese & Tomato Pizza Slice	(v) Crispy Dippers
<i>with</i>	Rice, Carrots & Peas	Mashed Potato, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	Carrot & Swede & Gravy	Carrot & Sweetcorn	Chips & Baked Beans
<i>Choice 3</i>	Filled Jacket Potato Cheese, Tuna or Beans	Choice of Filled Wrap Egg, Ham or Cheese	Filled Jacket Potato Mince, Cheese or Tuna	Choice of Sandwich Egg mayo, cheese, savoury cheese	Pepperoni Pizza
<i>Dessert</i>	Toffee Yoghurt	Winter Berry Custard	Sugared Doughnuts	Apple & Custard Sponge	Shortbread
WEEK 2					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<i>Choice 1</i>	Spaghetti Bolognese	Creamy Chicken & Ham	Sliced Gammon Ham	(v) Cheese Omelette	Bartered Fish
<i>Choice 2</i>	(v) Double Cheese Pasta	(v) Cheese Burger in a Soft Bun	(v) Hearty Stirling Sausages	(v) Cheese & Tomato Pizza Slice	Chicken Goujons
<i>Served with</i>	Garlic Bread & Corn Cob	New Potatoes & Peas	Mashed Potato, Seasonal Vegetables & Gravy	Seasoned Wedges & Baked Beans	Chips & Sweetcorn
<i>Choice 3</i>	Filled Jacket Potato Cheese, Tuna or Beans	Choice of Filled Wrap Tuna, Ham or Cheese	Filled Jacket Potato Cheese, Tuna or Beans	Choice of Sandwich Cheese, Savoury Cheese & Sweetcorn or Ham	Rainbow Pizza
<i>Dessert</i>	Oaty Apple Crumble Ice-cream	Sicily Berry Flapjack	Chocolate Sponge with Chocolate Custard	Banana Muffin	Peach Yoghurt
WEEK 3					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<i>Choice 1</i>	Chilli Con Carne	(v) Powerballs & Gravy	Chicken Fillet	Ham & Sweetcorn Pizza	Fish/Salmon Fingers
<i>Choice 2</i>	(v) Campfire Chilli	(v) Cheese & Bean Fkly Pastry Bake	(v) Roast Quorn Chicken Fillet	(v) Homemade Cheese Flan	Chicken goujon/ Crispy Dippers (v)
<i>with</i>	Rice, Carrots & Peas	Mashed Potato & Broccoli	Stuffing, Roast Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables, Gravy	Seasoned Wedges & Baked Beans	Chips & Peas
<i>Choice 3</i>	Filled Jacket Potato Chilli or Cheese	Choice of Filled Wrap Cheese, Savoury Cheese & Sweetcorn, Tuna	Filled Jacket Potato Cheese, Tuna or Beans	Choice of Sandwich Tuna & Cheese or Cheese & Ham	Cheese & Tomato Pizza
<i>Dessert</i>	Apple & Raisins	Ice-cream	Sicily Pineapple & Custard	Homemade Cookies	Fruit & Jelly
In addition to the above, Bread, Yoghurt and Fruit will be available daily alongside a variety of salad bar items.					



Pupil of the Week

Wonder Wall

Nursery
Reception
Y1
Y2
Y3
Y4
Y5
Y6

Annie Comiskey
Owen Dale
Emilia Stein
Poppy Corish
Scarlett Fass
Charlie Williams
Brooke Baddeley
Mason Leigh

Aria Bennison
Leon Lawson-Jones
Betsy Barlow
Esmae Gough
April Cameron
Daisy Chisnall
Alice Liptrot
Luca Hanna

Class Attendance for w/c 6th November

<u>Class</u>	<u>% attendance for week</u>
Nursery	99.5
Reception	95.8
Year One	93.3
Year Two	89.8
Year Three	97.3
Year Four	97.9
Year Five	96.9
Year Six	94.1

Well done to Nursery, Years 3, 4 & 5 for hitting our 96% attendance target!!!

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.



School Diary — Next Week in School

Monday 20th November

Reception, Y1 & Y2 Dodgeball (2 of 5) 3.15-4.15pm

Tuesday 21st November

Keyboard lessons

Guitar lessons

Years 1 & 2 Boccia & Kurling (3 of 5) 3.15-4.20pm

Wednesday 22nd November

Toddler group 9.30-11am

Strings lessons

Y1/Y2 Code Club (1 of 5) 3.15-4.15pm

Thursday 23rd November

Swimming Year 5 (9 of 12)

Drumming lessons 2.30-3.30pm

Years 3, 4 & 5 Boccia & Kurling (3 of 5) 3.15-4.20pm

Friday 24th November

Choir 12-12.30pm



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 now available to collect at the school office.

Y6 Residential - 20th to 22nd May 2024

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.

Spending money of 3 x £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.

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 IN ADVANCE 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.

If you would like to change your child's meal arrangements after Christmas, please email school at chapelend@sthelens.org.uk by Wednesday 20th December.

Fish Friday Payments

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

Fish Friday for this half term is **£15.60 (6 weeks).**





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Headteacher: Mr C. Hewitt



Friday 17th November

Dear Parents,

Our Smart School Council is trying to support those families who need a bit of a helping hand at this time of year. We are hoping to have a Christmas treat, to be decided upon via a school council vote. This would be a reward for bringing some goods in for a local food bank. You can see some of the amazing work being done by Storehouse Projects at <https://www.storehouseproject.org/>

We are determined to help those people who are less fortunate than us. We would ask children to bring the following goods in between Monday 27th November and Friday 1st December. We would then have our Christmas treat on Friday 8th December.

- EYFS (Reception and Nursery) - dried foods such as rice and pasta, along with pasta sauces
- Y1— toiletries and baby products
- Y2—cereals (with a long date please)
- Y3—drinks, i.e. tea, coffee, hot chocolate etc.
- Y4—Tinned fruits and desserts
- Y5—Tinned food such as beans, soup, spaghetti etc.
- Y6—Christmas treats—mince pies, chocolate, sweets etc. (with a long date please)

Thank you

Chapel End Smart School Council.

