



BILLINGE CHAPEL END

— SCHOOL & NURSERY —



AUTUMN 1 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

08.09.25

No outsiders (KS1)

15.09.25

No outsiders (KS2)

22.09.25

How we stay safe in school (KS1)

29.09.25

How we stay safe in school (KS2)

06.10.25

Black History Month (KS1)

13.10.25

Black History Month (KS2)

20.10.25

Diwali (KS1)

Autumn 1 Newsletter

Welcome back to a new and exciting year!

We have had a very busy Summer holiday here at school and we have had lots of changes happening to our school building.

We are looking forward, as always, to working in partnership with our families and the community in order to provide your children with the best possible care and education.

Mr Hewitt

Our school Value of this half term is Kindness



Admissions to Secondary School – September 2026

Parents of current Year 6 pupils have until the closing date of 31st October 2025 to apply for a secondary school place for their child for September 2026. The portal is now open on the St Helens Council website for St Helens residents and will close on 31st October.

IF YOU LIVE IN A DIFFERENT BOROUGH (ie IF YOU PAY YOUR COUNCIL TAX TO A COUNCIL THAT IS NOT ST HELENS) YOU NEED TO APPLY ONLINE ON THAT COUNCIL WEBSITE BY 31st OCTOBER (eg Wigan residents should apply at www.wigan.gov.uk).



Applying for Nursery

Dear Parents

From 6 October 2025, should you wish to apply for a Nursery place at Billinge Chapel End, **you will need to collect an application form from the school office.**

Please note, to apply for Reception, please go on the St Helens Council website.

Thank you.

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 **95%** 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 2025 on the school website.

Earrings

Clear plastic small stud earrings with safety backs are permitted in school. Parents and carers who send their child into school wearing clear, plastic, small stud earrings do so at their own risk. School will not take any responsibility to earring related injuries, or loss of earrings, with full accountability being placed upon parents and carers.

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.



Medical Appointments during school hours

Last year 136 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.





As you may already be aware, we use a whole-school approach to deliver our PSHE lessons in school called Coram Scarf, which promotes positive behaviour, mental health, wellbeing, resilience and achievement. SCARF represents our values for children of Safety, Caring, Achievement, Resilience and Friendship. Our whole school topic for the first half of the Autumn term is 'Me and My Relationships'.

Here are some of the themes the children will be exploring

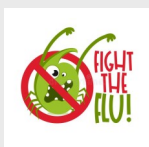
Nursery	Rec	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Marvellous Me	All about me	Why we have classroom rules?	Our ideal classroom	As a rule	Human machines	Celebration challenge	Working together
I'm special	What makes me special	How are you listening?	How are you feeling today?	Looking after our special people	Ok or not OK	Give or take	Solve the friendship problem
People who are special to me	Me and my special People	Thinking about feelings	Let's all be happy	How can we solve this Problem	An email from Harold	How good a friend are you?	Behave yourself!
	Who can help me?	Our Feelings	Being a good friend	Friends are special	Different feelings	Relationship recipe	Being assertive skills
	My feelings	Feelings and bodies	Types of bully	Thanks	Under pressure	Our emotional needs	Don't force me
		Good friends	Don't do that	Dan's dare		Being assertive	Acting appropriately

Please click on the link for further ideas to help your child at home

<https://www.coramlifeeducation.org.uk/family-scarf/scarf-at-home/me-and-my-relationships>

Nasal Flu Immunisations

The immunisation team will be visiting our school on Tuesday 30th September. Your child will only receive it if you have given consent.





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

Dates for your diary

03.09.25—School re-opens

Week beg 08.09.25 - No Outsiders (KS1)

11.09.25—School photos

Week beg 15.09.25 - No Outsiders (KS2)

Week beg 22.09.25 - How we stay safe in school (KS1)

Week beg 29.09.25 - How we stay safe in school (KS2)

Week beg 06.10.25 - No Outsiders week

Week beg 06.10.25 - Black History month (KS1)

Week beg 13.10.25 - Black History month (KS2)

Week beg 20.10.25 - Diwali (KS1)

23.10.25 - School closes at 3pm/ 3.15pm

24.10.25 - Inset Day

03.11.25—School re-opens



Term Dates for 2025-2026

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

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

These term date cards are available to collect at the school office.

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.

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.

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 or skorts
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.

