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.

Monday 20th December

N, R, Y1 & Y2 Christmas Party

Tuesday 21st December

Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 Christmas Party

Wednesday 22nd December

School closes for Christmas

Thursday 6th January

School Re-opens

Wednesday 12th January

Brass & String Lessons recommence



<u>Welcome to the final Newsletter of</u> <u>2021!</u>

As we enter the final days of the Autumn term, I would like to express my sincere thanks to all of our pupils, parents and staff. Upon our return to school in September, we lived in the hope that more normal times would resume. We now know that times are still proving a challenge. Thank you everyone for your continued patience, understanding and compassion.

I would like to wish every member of our school family the warmest of Christmas wishes. Enjoy the holidays and I look forward to seeing everyone in 2022.

Mr Hewitt

Christmas Lunch

Thank you to Miss Hannah and her staff for providing a delicious Christmas lunch today.

Thank you also for your kind donations towards Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children. If you still haven't paid it's not too late. We will let you know the total amount raised in January.







Wriggly Nativity (EYFS) & The Not Now Nativity (Y1/Y2)

Congratulations to our EYFS and Y1/Y2 pupils who gave two magnificent performances of their nativity plays this week. The children worked really hard to provide us with fantastic productions and never cease to surprise me with their confidence, singing, acting and musical abilities.

Thank you to everyone who has purchased a copy of the production, these will be emailed to you next week. Thank you also to the staff for their hard work in preparing costumes, scenery and, of course, the production itself.



Christmas Parties

<u>Reminder</u>: 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 hot bacon/sausage/vegetarian sausage barms and then will eat their party food at around 2pm. Please pay £1 contribution towards your child's party via SchoolMoney.

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.

Nursery, Reception, Y1 & Y2 Christmas Party Y3/4 Monday 20th December

Tuesday 21st December



Y5/6 Christmas Party

Early Bird Club

Early Bird Club will re-open on Thursday 6th January 2022. The Club runs from 7.30-8.50am each morning. It costs £4 per session and should be paid via SchoolMoney.

Buzz Club

Buzz Club will re-open on Thursday 6th January 2022. The Club runs from 3.15-5.30pm each evening. It costs £6 per session and, like the Early Bird Club, should be paid via SchoolMoney.

Please note that these clubs are extremely popular and we are limited to numbers, so bookings should be made by the Friday before the week your child is attending, by emailing your requirements to the school office chapelend@sthelens.org.uk

<u> PTFA</u>

Thank you to everyone for your support in what has again been a very difficult term. Your support has help raise funds from the Christmas card sales, the raffle, the Craft Workshop, the online shopping app and Christmas baubles, all of which we have been able to complete in line with COVID guidelines, so once again a huge THANK YOU! We will let you know the final amount raised in the New Year.

For anyone who hasn't signed up to the Easy-fundraising App it is completely free and if you nominate Billinge Chapel End as your chosen charity we benefit each time you shop.

Have a peaceful and happy Christmas from

Chapel End PTFA.



Please find below the new start dates for January 22.

<u>Instrument</u>	<u>Start Date</u>		
Guitar	Tuesday		
	18.1.22		
Strings	Wednesday		
	12.1.22		
Brass	Wednesday		
	12.1.22		







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 <u>https://sthelens.foodbank.org.uk/</u>

for more information.

<u>Christmas Holidays</u>

School closes on Wednesday 22nd December (see times below) and children may bring in a small, quiet toy of their choice. Please note: school can accept no responsibility for any damage to toys whilst they are on site. School uniform should be worn as normal. <u>School reopens on Thursday 6th January</u> 2022.

Important

School Closes on Wednesday 22nd December 2021 and

Re-opens on Thursday 6th January 2022

In line with the majority of schools across the borough, we now finish early on the final day of each **term** (end of half terms will be normal times). Please note on Wednesday 22nd December school finishes at the following times:

1.50pm Nursery, Reception, Y5 & Y6

2.00pm Years 1, 2, 3 and 4

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 Tuesday 21st December.



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/

School Meals

School meals cost £12.50 per week and are paid each Monday <u>in advance</u> via Schoolmoney.

Fish Friday (packed lunches Monday-Thursday and a school meal on a Friday) is also paid in advance for the term (£15.00 next term for 6 weeks).

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



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	Everyone!	Sophia Comiskey
Reception	Everyone!	Elizabeth Hale
Y1	Everyone!	Zachary Roberts
Y2	Everyone!	Darcy Brown
Y3	Chloe Hitchen	Lucy Osborne
¥4	Amaiya Aslam	George Glynn
Y5	Elora Davies	Henry Underhill
Y6	Zach Berry	Ruby Forsyth

School Diary

Monday 20th December

The Christmas Story N, R, Y1 & Y2 Christmas Party

Tuesday 21st December

Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 Christmas Party Final After School Club until New Year

Wednesday 22nd December

Final Breakfast Club until New Year <u>School Closes and re-opens on Thursday 6th</u> <u>January:</u> N, R, Y5 & Y6—1.50pm Y1, Y2, Y3 & Y4—2.00pm



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



School Re-Opens

Friday 7th January