

BILLINGE CHAPEL END

— SCHOOL & NURSERY —

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER November 6th 2020



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Unfortunately, due to current restrictions all events in school will be restricted to children and staff in school. Parents/carers cannot be invited into school. Please use our website and school dojo for updates

Monday 16th November

Odd Socks day for
Anti-bullying week

Monday 7th December

R-Y6 Flu Immunisations

Friday 11th December

FS/KS1 Christmas Party

Monday 14th December

Y3/4 Christmas Party

Tuesday 15th December

Y5/6 Christmas Party

Wednesday 16th December

Christmas Lunch &
Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 18th December

School Closes
N/Rec/Y5 & Y6 1.50pm
Y1/2/3 & Y4 2.00pm



Introduction

Dear Parents/Carers

I am delighted and honoured to introduce myself as the new Headteacher at Chapel End Primary School and Nursery. I would like to thank the children and governors for this amazing opportunity, and I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself and express my aspirations and enthusiasm for the exciting times ahead. I would also like to thank the whole school community for giving me such a warm welcome this week.

My name is Mr Hewitt, and I was the Assistant Headteacher at St James' Catholic Primary School in Orrell. I held this post for five happy and successful years, and during this time I have also completed two secondments in the role of Deputy Head at schools in Up Holland and Liverpool.

I was born in Billinge and was raised in Winstanley where I still live today. I am married and have two children who are aged 12 and 5. When I am not in school, I enjoy visiting National Trust sites with the family and I am also a keen adventurer who can be found climbing mountains and swimming in lakes in the Lake District, Scotland and Wales.

My philosophy of education is that as teaching professionals we are part of a support network to you the parents who are your child's primary educator. I believe that every child has the right to be educated in a setting that is safe and allows them to freely express their talents. The main objective of primary education, in my view, is to support children in becoming emotionally intelligent people who are ready to move into the wider world and be global citizens. It is important that we instil the values of compassion, confidence, understanding and tolerance towards others whilst ensuring that every child makes as much progress possible academically. Our role is to inspire and motivate children so they can aspire to be whom-ever they want to be.

Chapel End has experienced many successful years under the leadership of Mr Smith, and I endeavour to work with the staff and as a team move the school forward into the exciting times ahead.

Due to the current COVID 19 restrictions, I am unable to welcome you into school for a meet and greet morning with myself. However, I am sure that I will meet you as you drop off your child, as I will be at the front of school every day at this time.

Mr Hewitt



School uniform

Earrings

Please may we remind all parents that children are not permitted to wear earrings in school in line with our uniform policy. They are a health and safety risk as well as a distraction to learning when plasters need to be reapplied by staff .

Footwear

Please can all parents ensure that they send their child to school in the appropriate footwear in line with our school uniform policy. Children should wear black shoes on the days that they do not have PE.



EYFS learning about how to keep our bodies and minds happy with Harold the giraffe.

Breakfast and After School Club

In light of new DFE guidelines we would like to inform you that before and after school care is restricted to those families who need it as a result of work commitments.

To ensure our Breakfast/After School Club ratios are adequate, please email your Club requirements, preferably on a Friday for the following week so the registers are accurate and the Club staff know who to expect on which day (chapelend@sthelens.org.uk).

If you need Breakfast/After School Club in an emergency please ring and we will check on availability. Please do not just turn up to Breakfast Club without ringing first to check there is a space.

Similarly, if you have a place booked in either Club, and you no longer need it, please email/telephone to cancel.

When emailing over your Club requirements, please include the amount you have paid via SchoolMoney so we can reconcile this with the registers.

We appreciate your cooperation in the early stages of rolling this system out to you.



schoolmoney

We are delighted that parents now have the facility to make payments for school expenses, such as School Dinners, Breakfast and After School Clubs, Trips etc online with a debit or credit card.

This new payment system will benefit both us as a school and you as a parent. Not only will you be able to pay for items from the comfort of your own home but you will also be able to access your account at any time to see if there is anything you need to pay for. **SchoolMoney** will enable us to experience a more streamlined, cost-effective and efficient payment system in a secure and safe environment.

Last term you received an email providing you with details on how to log in and a welcome message was sent out to the mobile number/email address that we have for the first contact for each child. An additional contact can be added on request. If for any reason you are struggling to log in, it may be because you have not provided us with the correct contact details. Please let us know immediately if either your mobile number or email address changes.



School Meals Menu



Reminder our new school meals menu started this week and is now available to view on our school's website.

All food is 'farm assured' ensuring animal welfare is respected; all fish on the menu is sustainably sourced; all eggs used are free range and British. All menus are discussed with and designed by children. Our school cook Miss Hannah and her staff currently provide, gluten free, dairy free, egg free, vegan and allergen awareness menus. They are also able to provide carbohydrate counts for all items on the menu for diabetics. If you would like to give school meals a try, please contact the school office. Copies of the new school meals menu can be found in the dispenser in the entrance hall and on our school website's home page.

Please contact the school office if your child would like to give them a try. Please see prices below.

DINNER MONEY

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Dinner money is **£12.25 per week (£2.45 per day)** paid in advance each Monday.

Fish Friday

Children choosing a Fish Friday meal option (packed lunches Monday-Thursday and a school meal on Friday) after half term should make a payment of **£17.15** for the term.

Please note this is payment for 7 weeks in advance; the last Fish Friday of the term is on **Friday 18th December.**

If you think you may be entitled to Free School Meals, please contact Education Benefits on

01744 675216/7.

Christmas Lunch



On Wednesday 16th December all children from N (30 hours), R-Y6 are invited to have a

Christmas lunch at lunchtime. Letters will go out next week with all the information. Please return your reply slips as soon as possible to enable our cook, Ms Hannah, and her staff to organise the ordering and delivery of food.

Remembrance Day



On Wednesday 11th November we will be participating in activities in class which will remind us of the great sacrifices made by many in wars of the past. We will also be holding circles of peace on our playgrounds to respect the 2 minute silence.

Please can we thank the Billinge Chapel End Parish Council for their grant of £60 which has helped to provide the resources used by our children in these activities.

National Online Safety

The National Online Safety, make it their mission to make the internet a safer place for children. They achieve this through equipping school staff, parents/carers and children with the knowledge they need to understand online dangers and how best to react should an incident arise.

There are many guides covering a wide range of areas on the link below:

<https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides>



Congratulations to the following children who were praised this week. Each week a child is selected as star of the week in recognition of their best efforts. One child from each class also has their work placed on Mr Hewitt's wonder wall to celebrate the child's achievement.

	<u>Star Pupil Award</u>	<u>Wonder wall</u>
Nursery	Alan Mehrjouei	
Part-time		Jessica Gaskell
Nursery	Zachary Regan	
Full-time		
Reception	Daisy O'Brien	James Ennis
Y1	Oliver Gaskell	Darcy Brown
Y2	Lucy Osborne	Ayva Lowery
Y3	Mason Leigh	Luca Hanna
Y4	Joseph Fisher	Ruby Parker
Y5	Ellie Pendlebury	Emily Rowling
Y6	Adam Pilkington	Holly Crook



Firework safety

Please stay safe this weekend

For more information about firework safety go to:

<https://www.sthelens.gov.uk/community-living/community-safety/good-guy/awesome-autumn/static-awesome-autumn-hub/autumn-safety/>

COVID 19

Please see our school website for current updates regarding COVID 19

Information can also be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/education-and-childcare-settings-new-national-restrictions-from-5-november-2020>

Children In Need - Friday 13th November 2020



FIVE TO THRIVE

weekly calendar

Each video is around 5 minutes long, so these are quick and fun activities to engage with!



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
ACTIVITY	Connect 	Take Notice 	Get Active 	Be Curious 	Give 
Joe's Morning Move	5 minute morning energiser with Joe	5 minute morning energiser with Joe	5 minute morning energiser with Joe	5 minute morning energiser with Joe	Bring in your pennies and save your energy for...
Video	Joe Wicks and Dr. Radha kick off wellbeing week chatting about connection and friendship	Take part in a journaling activity to learn about how taking notice of how you feel and your surroundings can really support your wellbeing	Join Joe Wicks interviewing a very special PE teacher to find out about how getting active can make you feel great!	We hear from our friends at Blue Peter all about about how being curious and trying new things can boost your mood!	Join in with Joe's Ultimate Feel Good Friday! Donate £1 or £2 to come to school dressed up and join in on a very special challenge!
Resources					

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This is how we are joining in with Children in Need this year. Children will be encouraged to participate in daily activities beginning on Monday 9th November. On Friday 13th November, children will be able to wear their own clothes on what we are calling Feel Good Friday. In this strangest of years, children and young people's mental health is perhaps more important than ever and Children in Need are supporting a whole range of schemes to promote positive mental health. A donation of £1 will support the amazing work undertaken by Children in Need. Please make any donations through SchoolMoney.

Many thanks,

Next Week in School

Monday 9th November

Children in Need daily activities begin.

Tuesday 10th November

Guitar Lessons

Y1/Y2 Dodgeball (1 of 5) – 3.15-4.15pm

Wednesday 11th November

Remembrance Day

Y5 String Lessons

Brass Lessons

Thursday 12th November

Y3/Y4 Dodgeball (1 of 5) - 3.15-4.15pm

Friday 13th November

Children in Need – Feel Good Friday non uniform £1 donations greatly appreciated on Schoolmoney.

Mr C Hewitt

Headteacher