

# BILLINGE CHAPEL END

## — SCHOOL & NURSERY —

CLASS NEWSLETTER SUMMER 2023-2024

Year 3



**Welcome Year 3 families to our final term**, and what a very busy term we have ahead of us! We are looking forward again to working together to enable your child to be the very best that they can be. Our main topics this term are 'How Plants Grow,' 'Local History,' 'Fieldwork around Billinge' as well as tasting and making Fairtrade Sandwiches, plus much more!

### PE DAY

**Our PE day is a Monday.**

The children will need to attend school in their full PE kit (Plain white round neck T-shirt/ chapel end T-shirt with red sleeves, plain red shorts, plain red sweatshirt/ hoodie , plain black jogging bottoms ,trainers suitable for indoor and outdoor physical activity.)

### PE activities

**This term our PE units are:  
Rounders, Dodgeball, Athletics and Hockey**

### Homework

#### Reading homework:

*Children thrive on repetition and should be encouraged to listen/ read the same story repeatedly. Reading aloud takes preparation and practise so books should not be read cold. Parents should read the book beforehand and consider: voice (s); pauses; memorable words and phrases; asides and links with the child's own experiences.*

*The book should be read to the child and then the child should read the book repeatedly themselves. Following reading, talk-time or role play should take place allowing your child to recap events and evaluate/analyse different parts of the text. We only issue each child with one home reading book per week.*

Children will continue to bring a banded reading book home in their book bag. Please do try and read with your child as regularly as possible and comment in the reading record.

#### Spelling and Timetable Homework

Weekly spellings and times tables will continue to be posted weekly on our class Dojo page. Children can also use Hit the Button and Maths Frame to aid and support their learning of number bonds and multiplication facts in addition to completing a page in their Maths workbook.

### Snacks:

Children are able to bring a **healthy snack** in for morning playtime - please ensure your child's name is on the snack as children often bring in the same! Milk is also available at morning playtime—please contact the office if you would like your child to have a daily carton. Children are encouraged to bring water bottles but **please ensure they are named and have a 'sports cap' to avoid spillages!**

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### English

Our Class Novel for this term is **The Boy who Grew Dragons** written by Andy Shepherd. The children will also have access to a the School Library and a library of books within the classroom to allow them to enjoy reading for pleasure.

Our reading and comprehension skills will again focus on VIPERS (Vocabulary, Inference, Prediction, Explanation, Retrieval and Sequence). The children will examine the text to find evidence to be able to answer questions about the text.

Reading and Grammar will be linked to the class novel whenever possible, although the children will also access non fiction and poetry texts.

Our extended writing tasks this term are an adventure story, a Diary and a Non Fiction Text.

### Maths

Our focus for this term will be ...

Addition and subtraction, Multiplication and Division, 2D and 3D shape, Place Value, Fractions, Measures and Statistics.

### Our Summer Term Curriculum

Computing—Music creation, Branching Databases and Scratch

Art - Anthony Gormley (3D design) Fieldtrip

Design and Technology - Design and make a Fairtrade Sandwich

Geography- Local Fieldwork Study

History- Local History

MFL—(French) - Breakfast and fruit names and Going on a picnic

Music — Charanga Bringing us Together, 'Joseph', Charanga Reflect, Rewind, Replay.

PE- Rounders, Dodgeball, Athletics and Hockey

PSHE - Being my Best, Growing and Changing

RE — Sikhism, Hinduism

Science - Plants

### Weekly Themes

15/4—Being My Best

22/4— St George

29/4—Local History

6/5—Sun Awareness

13/05—Mental Health

20/05—Pentecost

3/6 -Growing and changing

10/6—Child safety week

17/6—Healthy Eating

24/6—Sport

1/7—Plastic reduction

8/7—Safer playing out

## Dates for your diary

Friday 19th April—Open Day

Monday 22nd April Year 3 trip to Rainford High

Tuesday 23rd April Leaver and class photos

Friday 26th April Grandparent's afternoon tea

Tuesday 30th April chicks and ducks in EYFS

Monday 13th May SATS

Friday 17th May Y5 values assembly -tolerance

Monday 20th May Y6 Manor Adventure and DT week

Thursday 23rd May Sports day

Wednesday 5th June Sports for all day

Wednesday 12th June Y1+Y2 trip to Liverpool Museum

Friday 14th June Y3+Y4 trip to Liverpool

Monday 17th June—Art week

Friday 5th July Y6 taster day—Rainford High

Friday 5th July—Summer Fair

Wednesday 17th July Y6 production