

BILLINGE CHAPEL END

— SCHOOL & NURSERY —

CLASS NEWSLETTER Autumn 2025-2026

Year 1



Hope

Honesty

Resilience



Tolerance

Kindness

Love

Hello everyone and welcome to Year 1. Welcome to our first class newsletter. We hope that you will find it useful with lots of information and reminders about school life and life in Y1. We have got a very busy term ahead of us and we are looking forward to working together to enable your child to become the very best that they can.

PE DAY

Y1's PE day is **Wednesday**.

The children will 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/ school jumper or cardigan; plain black jogging bottoms ,trainers suitable for indoor and outdoor physical activity. **(No branded sports wear please)**).

PE activities

This term our PE units are:
Ball skills, Gymnastics and SAQ.

Homework

Each week we would ask parents and carers to read every night with their child for at least 10 minutes. Please look at the corresponding week within your child's phonic news letter booklet. As you share and read their decodable book, please focus on the graphemes and harder to read and spell words which have been taught in ELS that week in school, they are listed on the page of their phonic newsletter booklet. We also ask that you date each box when you have shared/read their book with them.

We have no spelling and tables tests this year, instead for spelling, we will send home the words which contain the graphemes we have learnt in class that week along with a practise sheet that can be completed at home. This sheet does not need to be returned to school.

Your child will receive one piece of Maths homework each week that does need to be completed and returned.

Healthy Snacks

Your child can bring a healthy snack in for morning playtime - please ensure your child's name is on the snack as children often bring in similar or the same snacks. Fruit is also available for their afternoon snack.

Milk

Milk is available for your child each day. If you would prefer your child not to have it please let the office staff know.

Water

Your child can bring a water bottle into school each day filled only with water please. Please also ensure that it is a **non spill bottle** with your child's name on.

English

In Year 1 this term, we will be reading a variety of texts including stories, poems and information books. Our writing tasks will be based upon these texts.

We will be learning to read all of the Phase 5 phonic sounds and to use them to help us to spell. We will also be learning lots of hard to read and spell words.

In grammar, we will be thinking about using capital letters and full stops correctly and using adjectives and simple conjunctions to make our writing interesting.

Maths

In Maths this term we will be covering the following topics :

Number and Place value, Length and Mass/weight, Addition and subtraction, 2-D and 3-D shapes, Sequencing and sorting, Fractions, Money and Time.

Our Autumn Term Curriculum

Art — Kandinsky; drawing and painting.

Computing — E safety and Technology around us.

DT — Free standing structures.

Geography — Our local area.

History — My family and Local life, Guy Fawkes

Music — Charanga Scheme 'Hey You', Christmas production and Christmas songs.

PE — Ball skills using their feet, Basic Gym, Speed, agility and quickness and Gymnastics.

PSHE +RSE — Me and my relationships.

RE — Christianity.

Science — Animals including humans, David Attenborough and Seasonal changes.

Weekly Themes

08/09 No Outsiders KS1

15/09 No Outsiders KS2

22/09 How we stay safe in school KS1

29/09 How we stay safe in school KS2

06/10 Black History Month KS1

13/10 Black History Month KS2

20/10 Diwali KS1

03/11 Anti-Bullying KS1

10/11 Anti Bullying KS2

17/11 Road Safety KS1

24/Road safety KS2

01/12 Christmas story KS1

08/12—Nativity

15/12—Christmas story KS2

Dates for your diary

26.9.25—Spanish day Years 3-6

30.9.25- Flu vaccinations—(By invitation)

6.10.25- No Outsiders week

20.10.25- DT week

23.10.25- Year 1 Values Assembly

17.11.25- Assessment Week +Art week

3 .12.25 & 4.12.25 Parents Evenings

5.12.25—Y3-Y6 Spanish day

10.12.25 & 11.12.25- EYFS/KS1 Nativity

12.12.25—Christmas fayre and Christmas Jumper day

18.12.25—Y3 Values assembly