

BILLINGE CHAPEL END

— SCHOOL & NURSERY —

Class Newsletter Autumn 2025-2026

Year 5



Hope

Honesty

Resilience



Tolerance

Kindness

Love

Welcome to the Autumn term

Welcome back to school everyone. I am thrilled to be teaching you in Year 5. We are so lucky that Mrs Johnson and Mrs Lavin will also be with us in Year 5. We have so many events/trips/activities to look forward to. I am certain that we will have a great year!

PE DAY

Y5 PE day is **Tuesday**.

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/skorts; plain red sweatshirt/ hoodie/ school jumper or cardigan; plain black jogging bottoms, trainers suitable for indoor and outdoor physical activity.)

PE activities

This term our PE unit is swimming. (Please see information sent separately on Dojo.)



Each week we would ask parents and carers to read every night with their child for at least 10 minutes and make a valuable entry into their child's reading record.

We have no spelling and tables tests this year- instead for spelling we will send home the rule that we have learnt about in class that week along with a practice 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.

Homework is issued on a Friday and returned the following Thursday.

Children will have regular access to a water bottle during the school day—please ensure bottles have your child's name on them and also that it contains still water only. At Chapel End, we encourage healthy snacks and children are able to bring a snack in for morning playtime. Please do try and make these snacks healthy. Milk is available—if you haven't already done so, please contact the office if you wish your child to have milk.

English

Our novel this term is Journey to the River Sea. We will be using this text in most of our reading and writing lessons.

Journey to the River Sea is a wonderful story of adventure into a new world for the main character, Maia. We will initially be using the story to also focus on our Reading domains: Vocabulary, Inference, Prediction, Explanation, Retrieval and Summarise (VIPERS). A variety of other texts will also be used to give the children access to a broad range of non-fiction, fiction and poetry texts.

Grammar will initially be taught using Journey to the River Sea as a vehicle as will the majority of our extended pieces of writing which will include an Informal Letter, Setting Description, New Chapter, Balanced Argument and Survival Guide

Maths Units:

Place Value up to 1 million, Addition/subtraction of 6 digit numbers, Long Multiplication/Long Division, angles, the properties of 2D and 3D shapes, Fractions, Decimals and Percentages, Properties of numbers (Square numbers/cubed/prime numbers etc.)

Our Autumn Term Curriculum

Art— Collage work through looking at Fred Tomaselli

Computing- E-Safety, Computer Systems

Design technology- Designing a mobile phone carrier (textiles)

Geography- Rainforests

History- The Romans

MFL (Spanish) - Greetings, Colours and Numbers

Music—Singing studies—Soft Rock

PE- Swimming

PSHE +RSE— Me and my relationships and Valuing difference

Science—Properties and changes of materials and Forces

RE: Buddhism

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 +4.12.25 Parents Evenings

5.12.25—Y3-Y6 Spanish day

10+11.12.25– EYFS/KS1 Nativity

12.12.25 Christmas fayre and Christmas Jumper day

18.12.25—Y3 Values assembly