

BILLINGE CHAPEL END

— SCHOOL & NURSERY —

CLASS NEWSLETTER Spring 2025-2026

Year 2



Welcome to 2026 everyone! We hope you have had a restful and fun Christmas and New Year! Let's hope for a successful and happy new year. There will be lots of fun learning for children to participate in and we are looking forward to continuing our learning journeys together.

PE DAY

Y2 PE day is a **Friday**

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 , plain black jogging bottoms ,trainers suitable for indoor and outdoor physical activity.)

PE activities

This term our PE units are:

Fitness, Speed & Quickness, Gymnastics and Dance.

Homework

Homework goes out on a Friday. This has number bonds, Maths homework booklet page and spellings on. All spellings are words we have looked at that week in our Ready, Steady, Spell sessions.

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.

Please try to read at home with your child 3x a week and note in the children's reading records.

Snacks, fruit, water and milk

Children are encouraged to 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. School do provide snack for the afternoon which is usually fruit or veg. If your child does not like this then they can bring in their own healthy snack for afternoon snack. Children will also receive milk in a morning if they choose. Children can bring water bottles in (sports caps are preferred to avoid spillages) and these are readily available throughout the school day. Please ensure bottles only contain water and are named.

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English

In Year 2 this term, we will be reading a variety of texts such as Lila and the Secret of Rain by David Conway and Jude Daly and Lots: the diversity of Life on Earth by Nicola Davies . With these texts we will be exploring Narrative writing, fact file writing, diary entries and acrostic poems.

Reading focuses this term will be retrieval, prediction, inference and summarising.

Grammar will be taught using the text as a vehicle in all English sessions.

Maths

This term we will be covering:

- Money
- Multiplication and division
- Length and height & mass
- Capacity and temperature

Our Spring Term Curriculum

Art—Van Gogh

Computing—Programming (Robot Algorithms)

Design technology—winding mechanisms

Geography- Contrasting location—Kenya

History- The Victorians

Music—Friendship song

PE- Fitness, Speed & Quickness, Gymnastics and Dance

PSHE +RSE—Keeping safe

Science— Living things and habitats

Weekly Themes

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| 5.1.26 Epiphany KS1 | 23.2.26 Neurodiversity |
| 12.1.26 Epiphany KS2 | 2.3.26 Holi |
| 19.1.26 Feelings and emotions | 9.3.26 Holy Week |
| 26.1.26 Internet Safety KS2 | 16.3.26 Holy Week |
| 2.2.26 Internet Safety KS1 | |
| 9.2.26 Chinese new year | |

Dates for your diary

19.1.26- No Outsiders week
26.1.26- DT week
30.1.26- KS2 Spanish day
2.2.26- Y4+Y5 Shrek show
6.2.26- NSPCC Number Day
12.2.26- Young Voices
2.3.26- Assessment Week
2.3.26- Art week
13.2.26- Y2 Values assembly