

BILLINGE CHAPEL END

— SCHOOL & NURSERY —

CLASS NEWSLETTER Spring 2026

Nursery—Rising Threes



Welcome to the Spring term

There are five members of staff who work in the EYFS unit—Mrs Montrose (named Nursery teacher and EYFS Leader), Mrs Pickett (named Reception teacher), Mrs Newton, Miss Gannon, Mrs Chisnall and Mrs Armstrong. We all work equally with all the children and will gladly answer any queries you may have about your child's learning.

PE DAY

In EYFS we do PE on 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/ school jumper or cardigan; plain black jogging bottoms ;trainers suitable for indoor and outdoor physical activity.)

PE activities

Our PE lessons relate to our theme and this term we will be working on developing our balancing skills and core muscle strength. We will be practicing jumping and landing and developing our awareness of space. We will be moving across equipment in different ways e.g. crawling etc. We will also practicing throwing, kicking and catching balls.

Homework

We do not set homework tasks for our Rising Three children as they are still settling into school life, However we love to see what the children have been getting up to at home—if they get a certificate swimming or gymnastics etc then please send it in so that achievements can be celebrated.

Drinks and snacks

The children have free access to water throughout the day and do not need to bring a water bottle to school other than a drink if they have packed lunches. The children have milk, water, snack and fruit each morning and afternoon.

Snack money for the Autumn term is £28 for full time children and pro-rata for part time children. This is paid termly via school money and the cost will be worked out according to the hours your child is with us.

These are some of the things we will be learning to do this term

Communication and Language

Starting to understand simple instructions

Talk about how we are feeling

'Pretend playing' - e.g. putting the baby to bed, driving to the shops.

Personal Social and Emotional

Developing our independence

Learning to use the toilet

Making friends

Physical

Use large motor skills to do things independently

Show an increasing desire to be independent, such as wanting to feed themselves and dress or undress.

Run, jump and climb during PE sessions

Literacy

Enjoy sharing books with adults and repeat words and phrases from familiar stories

Join in with nursery rhymes

Enjoy drawing freely

Maths

Compare amounts by saying 'lots' 'more' or the same'

Count in everyday contexts

Complete inset puzzles Build with a range of resources

In EYFS the themes we explore are led by the interests of the children. We observe the children as they are playing and learning and plan accordingly.

Our topics during Spring term will be 'Take one picture' and 'Growing'.

We will keep you informed about the themes we are focusing on via Class Dojo!

Some of the books we will read

Can't you sleep Little Bear?

The Tiger who cam to tea?

Where the wild things are

The very hungry Caterpillar

Supertato

Enrichment activities

Chinese New Year

National Storytelling week

Valentines Day

Weather experiments

Mother's Day

Easter

New children visits

World Book Day

Weekly Themes

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