

# BILLINGE CHAPEL END

## — SCHOOL & NURSERY —



CLASS NEWSLETTER Spring 2025-2026

Year 1



Hope

Honesty

Resilience



Tolerance

Kindness

Love

Hello everyone and welcome to our next class newsletter. As we head into the Spring term, there will be more of a focus and push on Phonics as the nearing date of the Phonics Screening Check is approaching. You will receive more information with regards to this next half term.

### 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.)

### PE activities

This term our PE units are:

Send & Receive, Athletics & Fitness, Throw & Catch and Gymnastics.



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.

### Snacks, fruit, water and milk

Children are encouraged to bring a small 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, however, if your child does not like this, then they can bring in their own small healthy snack for the afternoon. Children will also receive milk in a morning if they choose. Children can bring a reasonably sized water bottle in, which will be readily available throughout the school day. Please ensure bottles have a **non spill** sports lid and only contain still water/

## English

In Year 1 this term we will be reading various texts including stories, instructions, and information books. Our main stories this term is 'Prince Cinders' which is a retell of Cinderella with a twist. Little Red Riding Hood, where we will be writing a newspaper report and Disgusting Sandwich, when we will be thinking about writing instructions.

In Phonics we are adding to our ever-growing list of Phase 5 sounds. This learning also includes 'harder to read and spell' words.

In Grammar, we will be thinking about capital letters, conjunctions, simple adjectives and much more!

We are putting a big focus on our handwriting this term and focusing on having our letters sitting on the line with tall ascenders and low descenders.

## Maths

In Maths this term we will be covering a range of topics such as:

Number and place value, Weight, Shape, Counting & money, multiplication, length & measure, addition & subtraction, division and fractions!

## Our Spring Term Curriculum

Art— Andy Goldsworthy

Computing- moving a robot and grouping data

Design technology- Sliders and levers - Design and make a moving Mothers' Day or Easter card

Geography- The United Kingdom

History- My Life and local history

Phonics—Phase 5 sounds

Music— Charanga In the Groove and Pop/ reggae (Spring performance- Legends singing masterpiece)

PE- Athletics & fitness, send & receive, throw & catch and Gymnastics.

PSHE +RSE—Keeping myself safe and Rights & respect

Science—Use of everyday materials and Seasonal changes.

## 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

## 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