

B ILLINGE CHAPEL END

— SCHOOL & NURSERY —

CLASS NEWSLETTER Summer 2025-2026

Reception



Welcome to Summer term 2026 everyone! We hope you have had a restful and fun Easter! There will be lots of fun learning for children to participate in and we are looking forward to continuing our learning journeys on the last term before moving on to another class.

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 skills in athletics and getting ready for Sports Day, We will also do Games - passing, aiming with precision and accuracy and following the rules of a game.

Homework

Your child will get Maths homework on ClassDojo each Friday. They may also sometimes get fun homework tasks related to the topics we cover in school.

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.

We also 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 their achievements can be celebrated.

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Drinks and snacks

The children have free access to water throughout the day and do not need to bring a water bottle to school. The children have milk and snack mid morning and snack, fruit and water each afternoon.

Snack money is £14 for full time children and £7 for part time children. This is paid half termly via school money.

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

Communication and Language

Daily ELS phonic sessions
Word aware: exploring vocabulary
Re-telling stories—talk for writing

Personal Social and Emotional

Being kind to living creatures
Taking care of animals
Importance of exercise
Resilience—Bouncing back when things go wrong

Physical

Developing pencil control
Running & agility (sports day)

Literacy

Use what I know to help with my reading
Read at least 10 digraph or phase 3 sounds
Re-read books for fluency and accuracy
Write for a purpose & read it back
Use finger spaces, capital letters and full stops

Maths

Number and place value to 20
3d Shape, pattern & tangrams
Adding & subtracting using number tracks
Doubling, sharing, grouping
Even and Odd
Problem solving and Spatial reasoning

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 Summer term will be 'Amazing Animals' and 'Our Wonderful World'.

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

Some of the books we will read

Dear Zoo
Giraffes can't dance
What the ladybird heard
The Rainbow Fish

Some enrichment activities

Boos Mobile Zoo visit

Sports Day

Sports for all day.

Visits to new classes

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Weekly Themes

Summer 1

Careers and Aspirations

Mental Health Awareness

Keeping safe in the community

Summer 2

Pentecost

Inspirational sporting stories

Our unique talents and qualities

Dates for your diary

17/4/26– Historical figures day

4/5/26– No Outsiders Week

6/5/26– Y4 Trip to Blackpool

11/5/26 Y6 SATs Week

18/5/26 School assessment week

1/6/26– Year 4 Multiplication Check

8/6/26– Y1 phonics screening check + Y6 PGL trip

15/6/26– SEND Inclusive Sports Day

19/6/26– Sports Day

22/6/26– Year 3 trip to Liverpool

23/6/26– Reserve Sports Day

24/6/26– Y1+Y2 trip to Eureka

26/6/26– Summer Fayre

29/6/26– SHINE week

6/7/26 Y6 Dress Rehearsal

7/7/26– Y5 Trip to Blackpool

8/7/26– Y6 Production 1

9/7/26/ Y6 Production 2

14/7/26– EYFS Curious critters visit to school

15/7/26 Y6 Leavers party