

# Chapelford Village Primary School

# NEWSLETTER

★ Friday 16th January ★



## Headteacher's Comment



Dear parents and carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well. We are now at the end of our first full week back and it already feels like we've never been away! In the nine days since returning, we have welcomed an author into school, taken part in a County Finals trip to Crewe, enjoyed two Year 3 visits to RHS Garden Bridgewater, launched our after-school clubs and much more.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks to all parents and carers for your patience while we worked to get the kitchen fans back up and running over the past nine days. We understand that the limited menu had an impact, particularly in the colder weather, and explored all possible alternatives with the local authority. I am pleased to share that the fans are now fully operational and our normal menu has resumed. Please remember to ensure that there are sufficient funds on your ParentPay account if your child pays for hot dinners.

This week, our Year 3 classes visited RHS Garden Bridgewater to bring their Science learning to life. They enjoyed an action-packed day learning about seed dispersal, planting their own lettuce seeds to take home, investigating an oak tree and discussing how squirrels disperse acorns, exploring the gardens and creating some wonderful plant sketches. The day ended with a well-earned break in the play area. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and were a credit to Chapelford throughout the visit. Well done Year 3! A special thank you to our fantastic parent volunteers who supported the trip.

On Thursday, some of our year 5 and 6 boys travelled to Crewe to compete in the County Finals tournament. As a progressive event, the outcome and return time were uncertain; however, we are delighted to announce that the team reached the semi-finals, narrowly missing out on the final. They did, however, finish as the highest placed team from Warrington; congratulations to all involved!

Our after school clubs also began this week, offering a wide range of activities including Disney, yoga, and more. We are incredibly proud of our club provision and pleased that there truly is something for everyone. There are still limited spaces available in some clubs, so please check online or speak to the office if your child would like to sign up.

As always, we appreciate your support in collecting children promptly. We understand that unexpected situations can occasionally cause delays; however, regular late pick-ups do have a significant impact on our staff and their commitments outside of school. Please ensure children are collected on time and from the correct collection point: **4:00pm for interventions and 4:15pm for clubs.**

Looking ahead to next week, our Year 5 children will be attending a special performance of *Annie* at the high school. We also look forward to welcoming Year 2 parents to a reading information evening on the 22nd, where you will find out how to support your child's progress and attainment in reading. I hope to see many of you there.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. I wish you a restful and lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs N Stewart

*Acting Headteacher*

# Promoting a love of reading at Chapelford

At Chapelford Village Primary School, we believe that reading is at the heart of everything we do. Being able to read fluently and accurately opens doors to every area of learning and gives children greater opportunities as they move through school and beyond. Our aim is for every child to be a confident reader before they leave us for high school.

We also understand that families lead very busy lives, juggling work, clubs and other commitments. However, research consistently shows that just 5-10 minutes of reading or sharing a story every day can make a huge difference. Children who read regularly at home develop stronger vocabulary, improved comprehension and greater confidence in learning. Most importantly, it helps foster a lifelong love of reading.

To support reading for pleasure and encourage regular reading at home, we are excited to introduce our new Reading Rewards system. Following staff and pupil voice, the English team have redesigned the scheme so that all children can work towards rewards at their own pace, celebrating effort and consistency rather than speed.

## How Reading Rewards Work

Children earn rewards as they build up the number of times they read at home:

- **10 Reads** — A bookmark of their choice
- **20 Reads** — A Reading Award certificate
- **40 Reads** — *VIP Library Time*

Children can choose a friend to visit the school library for a special reading session and select a book to share back in their classroom.

- **60 Reads—A Golden Reading Token**

This is a huge achievement and will be celebrated in school, including recognition in celebration assembly.

Once children reach 60 reads, they return to the start of the reading journey and begin working towards their next golden ticket.

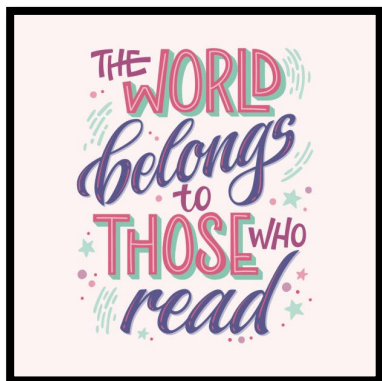
To help children track their progress, teachers will add 10,20,40 (and beyond!) stickers into reading records so progress is visible and motivating. Each class also has a book-themed Reading Road, which acts as a clear visual aid to help children track their progress and move themselves along as they read, allowing them to see just how close they are to their next reward.

## Celebrating Success

We are thrilled to announce that four children have already earned their Golden Reading Token, including one child from reception—an incredible achievement! We hope this is just the beginning and look forward to celebrating many more reading achievements.

Across the school, classrooms are stocked with high-quality, engaging texts from a wide range of genres and reading is woven into our curriculum in exciting and meaningful ways. This new reward system is another step in strengthening our partnership with families to support children's reading journeys.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Together, we can help every child discover the joy of reading and the opportunities it brings.



Oscar in Class 3 received his golden coin this week for reading 60 times at home! He was so proud and happy to select a book to keep from our special reading vending machines. Well done Oscar!

## High Performance Learning at Chapelford Village Primary School



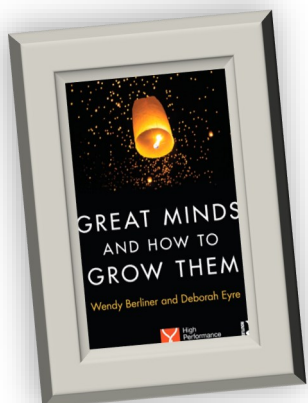
We are proud to be recognised as a **High Performance Learning (HPL)** school. At the heart of our approach is a belief that **all** children can achieve high levels of success. We encourage every pupil to **Learn, Achieve, and Respect** - both as learners in school and as future members of the wider community.

Value for this week is **LEARN**



### Dynamic Award

1	Kaiden	2	Areeba	3	Sia	4	Alenya
5	Aazeen	6	Skyla	7	Billie-May	8	Dorothy
9	Renee	10	Grace	11	Brittany	12	Rugved
14	Jack	15	Darcey	16	Anya	17	Kayden
18	Arthur	19	Georgie	20	Glenn	21	Albie
22	Japjot	23	Nathalie	24	Charlie		



As part of the school's ambitious journey to becoming a High Performance Learning school, we encourage you to purchase and read this book which shows how you can grow the minds of your children and guide them to success both in school and in life.

We currently have copies of this book that as a parent you can loan from the school, please ask at the school office.

## Star Learners

1	Aku	14	Mason
2	Liam Chiboyi	15	Teddy
3	Christly	16	Shiloh
4	Sienna	17	Harry
5	Sam	18	Emma
6	Lilly	19	Harleen
7	Aavya	20	Hannah
8	Heather	21	Mary
9	Kylie	22	Theo
10	Erin	23	Declan
11	Aria	24	Billy
12	Sarita		

## Always Child

1	Jo	14	Kaitlyn
2	Dewdi	15	Iris
3	Ethan	16	Isabelle
4	Dotty	17	Alfie
5	Humza	18	Zayd
6	Harlow	19	Aariz
7	Cynthia	20	Zac
8	Myles	21	Lincoln
9	Olivia F	22	Jasmine
10	Khaleesi	23	Imogen
11	Ella	24	Kai
12	Sienna		

# ATTENDANCE

EYFS	YEAR 1	Year 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
94%	96%	96%	96%	96%	97%	93%

## Dates for your diary

January 2026	
Monday 19th	Year 5 Production of Annie at Great Sankey High School.
Tuesday 20th	Year 3 Intermat Football Competition.
Thursday 22nd	Year 2 Reading information evening.
Wed 28th & Thur 29th	NSPCC workshops Year 2 and 5.
February 2026	
Mon 2nd to Fri 27th	Year 5 Bikeability.
Friday 6th	Number Day—whole school.
Mon 9th to Fri 13th	Children's Mental Health Week .
Tuesday 10th	Safer Internet Day—whole school.
Tuesday 10th	Skipping Ninjas Workshops to support Mental Health Week.
Wednesday 11th	Skipping Ninjas Workshops to support Mental Health Week.
Friday 13th	End of Autumn term.
Monday 23rd	Back to school Spring 2.
Monday 23rd	Year 5 Safety Central Day Trip.
Friday 27th	St Davids Day. Children in St David's House are invited to wear their own yellow clothes.
March 2026	
Mon 2nd to Friday 6th	National Careers Week—Whole school.

## Health & Safety Reminders

- ◆ **Reminder vaping is prohibited on the school grounds. Please do not use your vape until you are on the outside of the school gates. Thank you for your co-operation.**
- ◆ May we ask for support with the safe use and enjoyment of all the playground equipment including the climbing frame and Sandpit by ensuring children do not use it before and after school.
- ◆ Could we please politely remind parents to take care driving around both front and rear car parks at school drop off and pick up times, paying particular attention to the crossings as there has previously been a few near misses. Thanks in advance for your support with this as we all work together to keep our children safe.
- ◆ Smart Watches are not to be worn for school.
- ◆ E-SCOOTERS. Please can we take care on arrival to school on e-scooters.
- ◆ Bikes and scooters must **NOT** be ridden until outside of the school grounds!
- ◆ All ballgames including football are not to be played on the school playgrounds during drop-off and pick-up.
- ◆ School Gym Equipment is for pupils during the school day only.
- ◆ Please remember that dogs except for assistance dogs are NOT permitted on school grounds under any circumstances.
- ◆ **Please ensure all children have adequate outerwear for break times.**

Please can we remind all parents that in the interest of health and safety children are not permitted to use the playground or any of the equipment after school. We would like to encourage all parents and children to leave the grounds after pick-up so that the site can be secured and gates locked.

Thank you for your co-operation.

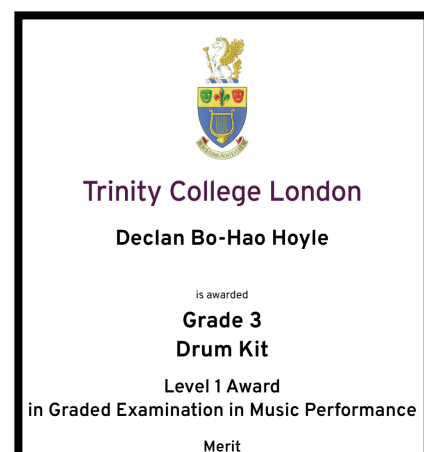
## Out of School Achievements



Ella class 16 competed in a tennis tournament at the weekend. In tough weather conditions Ella won all of her matches, going on to win the over-all competition! Well done Ella! Im sure your family are very proud of you and so are we!



Congratulations to Declan, Class 23 who has passed his Grade 3, Trinity college, Drum exam with a Merit! Well done Declan that's an achievement to be proud of!





# WE NEED YOUR HELP!



Are you having a **post-Christmas** clear out?

If you have any **SCOOTERS**  
that you no longer need, we will  
gladly take them off your hands!



✨ Donate your scooters and help  
our children get moving! ✨



## Parental concerns and issues

We take all concerns and issues seriously.

- ◇ If you have any worries, please contact the school and/or class teachers directly via the following methods: Email the class teacher: All class teachers have a direct email – these can be found on the [school website](#)
- ◇ Email the school office: [office@chapelfordvillageprimary.co.uk](mailto:office@chapelfordvillageprimary.co.uk).
- ◇ Call the school: 01925 712554



## School Meals

Please be aware that we are a **NUT FREE** school.

We have children in school with severe nut allergies, please do not send your child into school with any nut related products.

Thank you in advance.



### School menu for week beginning **Monday 19th January is Week 3**

Please be reminded that from October 1st 2025 Warrington Borough Council school meals have increased in price to £3.05 per meal.



In line with the Governments Healthy School incitive parents are requested to only send healthy snacks for their children for break and lunch time. Please ensure these items are low in fat and/or sugar. Thank you for your co-operation.

## ParentPay

Can we request that children's ParentPay accounts are regularly topped up, to make sure the children continue to receive their school lunches and snacks.

Free School Meals end for pupils at the end of Year 2. School lunch is £3.05 per person per day it is to be paid via Parentpay.

If you require more help please don't hesitate to contact the school office on 01925 712554 or email us on [office@chapelfordvillageprimary.co.uk](mailto:office@chapelfordvillageprimary.co.uk)

**Reminder** - Once money has been put onto your child's account this needs to be allocation to school meals.





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