

Chapelford Village Primary School

NEWSLETTER



★ Friday 16th October 2026 ★

Headteachers Comment

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well.

It has been another busy week at Chapelford, full of learning, first-aid training and exciting opportunities across the school!

Our children have taken part in their annual Mini First Aid training, delivered by Mini First Aid Warrington. These sessions are incredibly valuable, equipping children with important, potentially life-saving skills. From learning how to prepare food safely and treat burns to understanding how to administer CPR, the children have developed practical knowledge that could make a real difference in an emergency. It is always wonderful to see them engaging so enthusiastically with such important learning.

As many of you will know, we are in full swing with our open events, welcoming prospective families into school to discover what makes Chapelford such a special place for their child to begin their school journey next September. Our open evening last week was a great success and we received lots of positive feedback about the warm, welcoming atmosphere of our school and, in particular, how confidently and articulately our children spoke about their learning and represented Chapelford. This week, we also welcomed families for tours during the school day, giving them the opportunity to see our school in action. We have further tours available, alongside another open evening in November, so please do spread the word to any families who may be considering their child's school place.

On Monday 12th October, we held our ChaPTA AGM. It was fantastic to welcome some new faces to the team, celebrate the achievements and successes of the past year, and establish our committee for the year ahead. We also shared plans and dates for upcoming events. Our ChaPTA webpage has now been updated with details of the current committee, the AGM minutes and our *Year at a Glance* schedule. Please do take a look to find out more about the brilliant work of our PTA and how you can get involved.

Further down this newsletter, you will find a request for support from our wider school community. We are always looking for ways to bring learning to life and enrich the children's experiences by drawing on the knowledge, skills, hobbies and expertise of those around us. Whether you have an interesting job, a particular talent, a hobby or knowledge of a subject that links to our curriculum, we would love to hear from you!

With Diwali coming up shortly after half-term, we are particularly keen to hear from anyone who celebrates Diwali or has knowledge of the festival and would be willing to share this with our Early Years children. If you feel you could help, or know someone who might be able to support us, please get in touch. These contributions can make a real difference in helping children develop their understanding of the world around them.

Next week, we will be holding our autumn term parents' evenings. These are a valuable opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher, discuss their progress so far and consider the next steps in their learning. We look forward to seeing many of you there.

As always, if there is anything we can do to support you or anything you would like to discuss, please do not hesitate to get in touch. We value the strong partnership between home and school and appreciate the continued support of our Chapelford families.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Warm regards,

Mrs L Tottie
Headteacher

Poppy Appeal

Our School Council will be visiting each class daily next week to sell poppies and other accessories, including wristbands and snap bands, on behalf of the Royal British Legion.

Items will be available for a **voluntary donation, with a suggested donation of £1**. Any amount is gratefully received. If any items remain after next week, the School Council will bring them around during the first week back after half-term.



Mini First Aid Training at Chapelford!

All children across the school recently took part in an exciting and valuable Mini First Aid session, learning important skills to help keep themselves and others safe. Each year group explored age-appropriate first aid topics through fun, interactive and hands-on activities, giving the children the opportunity to practise their new skills using first aid equipment and training dummies. Our EYFS children learnt about the importance of safe eating, while Year 1 and Year 2 focused on how to deal with bleeding and head bumps, as well as understanding the recovery position. Year 3 explored DRAB, CPR, the recovery position and how to deal with burns, while Year 4 learnt about DRAB, CPR, the recovery position and responding to choking.

The learning continued throughout the school, with Year 5 developing their skills in DRAB, CPR, the recovery position and dealing with bleeding. Year 6 took their learning further by exploring DRAB, CPR and how to use a defibrillator. The practical nature of the sessions helped bring their learning to life, allowing the children to build confidence and gain a better understanding of how to respond in an emergency. To celebrate their participation and learning, every child received a certificate! We are incredibly proud of the children's enthusiasm and engagement, and hope these valuable life skills will help them feel more confident about keeping themselves and others safe.





Can You Help Bring Learning to Life at Chapelford?

We are looking for parents, carers, family members and members of our wider community who would be willing to visit school to share their knowledge, experiences, skills or expertise with our children.

This could include delivering a short talk, presentation, workshop or activity linked to topics such as Diwali, Remembrance, Road Safety, Parliament Week, Lunar New Year, Careers Week, Eid or Financial Education. We would also love to hear about any other areas of personal interest, hobbies or expertise that you could share! Whether you would like to talk about your career, share your culture or traditions, or introduce the children to a new skill, your contribution could help inspire our children and bring their learning to life.

If you would be happy to support us, please complete our short form below. There is no commitment at this stage and we will be in touch to discuss opportunities further.

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/sjeJzT6syW>

Harvest Donations Support Warrington Community Grocery

Our School Ambassadors visited the Warrington Community Grocery earlier this week to deliver the wonderful harvest donations kindly provided by the generous families of Chapelford. During their visit, they enjoyed learning about the important work the Community Grocery does to support local people and families and discovered how the donations they collected can make a real difference to those who need it most.

The ambassadors were fantastic representatives of our school and gained a valuable insight into the power of helping others within our community. A huge thank you to everyone who donated so generously. Your kindness and support will help many local families and is greatly appreciated.





Chapelford Village Primary School



★ Come along to one of our open events to explore our school,
★ meet our dedicated staff and hear from our wonderful children
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Open Evenings

Wednesday 7th October - 4:30pm - 6pm

Wednesday 18th November - 4:30pm - 6pm

School Tours

Thursday 15th October

Thursday 26th November

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Value for this week is **Learn**

This week, the children have been exploring the importance of listening and discussing how it helps us to learn and support others. They put this valuable skill into practice during their mini first aid sessions, listening carefully to instructions and thinking about how they can help others in need.

Star of The Week



Every week, one child from each class is chosen as our **Star of the Week**

to celebrate their achievements, effort and hard work. This week's Stars of the Week are...

Star of The Week

1	Arlo	12	Saraa
2	Risha	13	Scarlett
3	Leo	14	Ben
4	Bobby	15	Daisy
5	Olive	16	Alfie H
6	Dorian	17	Freddie
7	Nethra	18	Kai
8	Noah	19	Claire
9	Aazeen	20	Kinson
10	Kairo	21	Ophelia
11	Jenson	22	Harry

Dates for your diary

October 2026	
Monday 19th	Parents Evening.
Wednesday 21st	Parents Evening.
Friday 23rd	End of Autumn half term.
November 2026	
Monday 2nd	Back to School.
Monday 2nd	Pumpkin Competition—Whole School.
Wednesday 4th	Year 1 Parent Meeting— Early Reading and Phonics 9.00am till 9.30am.
Wednesday 11th to Friday 13th	Year 5—Robinwood Residential.
Wednesday 11th	Ambassadors to Visit Penketh War Memorial.
Wednesday 11th	Remembrance Day—Whole School.
Monday 16th—Friday 20th	Anti-Bullying Week : Power for Good.
Monday 16th—Friday 20th	National Road Safety Week—Whole School.
Monday 16th	Kittle Photography—Individual Pupil Pictures.
Friday 20th	Children In Need—Whole School.
Monday 23rd—Friday 27th	UK Parliament Week—Years 5 and 6.
Thursday 26th	Open day for prospective families.
Monday 30th	St Andrews Day - Children in St Andrews House can wear house colours.
December 2026	
Friday 4th	Elf & Reindeer Run—fundraising for St Rocco's.
Wednesday 9th	ChaPTA Christmas Fair.

ATTENDANCE

EYFS	YEAR 1	Year 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
98%	97%	93%	99%	96%	96%	97%

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 and E-BIKES are not permitted on school grounds.
- ♦ 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.**



Chapelford are still working with Roberts Recycling - a specialist clothing bank company to raise funds for school. These clothes are collected up and redistributed around the world to places in need. This reduces the amount of clothes that go into landfill and ChaPTA receives money for every kilo donated for our children.

The clothing bank is located outside of the Chapelford Nursey gates, on the Sainsburys car park side of our school.

Lost Property

Throughout the week all lost property will be placed in the purple storage tubs (located in each foyer). Every day at 3:15pm, these tubs will be placed outside the foyer areas. Please do check these areas if you're looking for any lost property.

Morning drop Off Times Reminder

The classroom doors open each morning at **8:40am** and close at **8:45am**. The school gates will also close at **8:45am**.

If you arrive after this time, please go directly to the school office, where a member of the office team will sign pupils in and arrange any necessary lunches orders with the kitchen.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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.
- ◇ 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 October** is **Week 2**

Please be reminded that from February 23rd 2026. Warrington Borough Council school meals have increased in price to £3.20 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 £3.20 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

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





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