

Chapelford Village Primary School

NEWSLETTER



★ Friday 9th October 2026 ★

Headteachers Comment

Dear parents and carers,

It has been another busy and exciting week at Chapelford, with lots of fantastic learning taking place across school and some lovely opportunities to bring our community together.

In Year 3, children are preparing to write their final piece based on *Seal Surfer*. They have been using their oracy skills to sequence and rehearse the story, developing their confidence in retelling events and exploring the language they will use in their writing. It has been wonderful to see them putting their speaking and listening skills into practice as they prepare for their final piece. Year 6 have continued their History learning about World War Two, which links closely to the text they are studying, *Star of Fear*, *Star of Hope*. This is always a topic that the children really engage with and it certainly sparks lots of thoughtful conversations, interesting questions and discussion. It has been fantastic to see their curiosity and willingness to explore some challenging aspects of history through both their English and History learning.

On Wednesday, we held our first Open Evening of the year and were delighted to welcome so many prospective families into school. We had staff, children and a range of interactive and fun activities ready for families to explore, giving them an opportunity to see our school in action and find out more about life at Chapelford. Our school ambassadors and school councillors did a fantastic job of representing our school and showing our visitors what makes Chapelford such a wonderful place to learn. A special mention must also go to our fabulous choir, who did an amazing job of performing for our visitors. We are incredibly proud of all of the children who helped to make the evening such a success.

If you joined us on Wednesday and haven't yet registered your details, please do so using the QR code below. This will allow us to keep in touch with you and ensure that you are informed about future community events and opportunities to visit our school. We have another Open Evening on **Wednesday 18th November**, as well as school tours available during the school day. If you know of anyone who is looking for a school place for their child next September, please do send them our way; we would be delighted to welcome them to Chapelford.

Earlier this week, I also wrote to parents with some important reminders and key updates regarding behaviour, uniform and the timings of the school gates. Please do check ParentMail and make sure you have read these communications. From **Monday 12th October, the school gates will open at 8:30am** to support the safety and supervision of all our children. Many thanks for your continued support with this.

Looking ahead to next week, we have our chaPTA AGM taking place, with further details below, as well as a visit from the Deputy Mayor, who will be meeting with our School Council. We are looking forward to another busy and exciting week!

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs L Tottie

Headteacher





ChaPTA AGM – Everyone Welcome!

Our ChaPTA AGM will take place at **9:00am on Monday 12th October**, and we would love to see as many parents, carers and members of our school community there as possible. This is a fantastic opportunity to find out more about the valuable work of our PTA, share ideas, and help shape future events and fund-raising activities for our children. Whether you are interested in joining the committee, volunteering occasionally, or simply finding out more, everyone is welcome to attend. We are particularly keen to grow our PTA committee and would love to welcome some new faces. Come along and help make a difference!

Exciting News: Chapelford Shortlisted for National Award

Chapelford Village Primary School has been shortlisted for the prestigious 2026 PTI Primary Impact Award, alongside two other schools nationally. The award, presented by education charity The PTI, recognises excellence in primary leadership and subject-focused teaching.

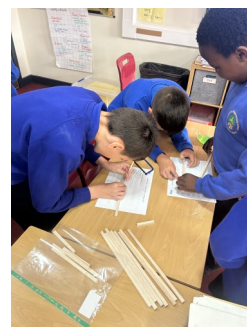
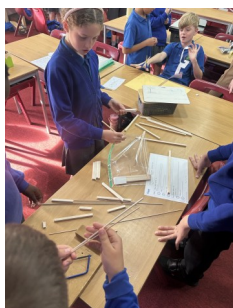
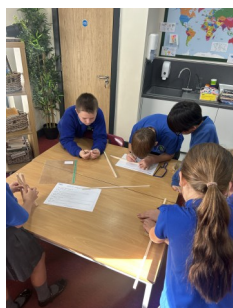
Chapelford's nomination celebrates the school's commitment to high-quality subject teaching, professional development and strong curriculum leadership through its work with a PTI Primary Hub. The award includes a £5,000 prize and trophy, with the winner recognised for demonstrating the impact that subject expertise, collaboration and thoughtful leadership can have on pupils' learning. The results will be announced next week, so there is plenty of excitement across school! You may also have seen that The Guardian has published an article featuring the three shortlisted schools and the award.

Automata Project

This half term, Year 6 have been developing their understanding of how designers communicate ideas through technical drawings. The children explored **exploded diagrams**, learning how these detailed illustrations show the individual parts of a product and how they fit together. They discovered how diagrams help designers and customers share the same vision and avoid misunderstandings during the manufacturing process.

As part of their exciting automata project, pupils studied examples of exploded diagrams and investigated how they are used to assemble products, such as flat-pack furniture. They then began designing their own automata, carefully labelling the different components and considering how each part will function within the finished product.

The children also started the practical stage of the project, learning how to accurately mark out and cut wooden frame pieces using tools safely and responsibly. Through this process, they have been developing important design, measuring and construction skills while refining their own cre-





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

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 in our Values Assembly, we had a special assembly all about **Dyslexia Awareness Week**. We spent some time learning more about dyslexia and thinking about the importance of understanding, supporting and celebrating our differences.

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	Zoe	12	Olivia M
2	Harper	13	Midhuna
3	Gigi	14	Kate
4	Amelija	15	Fionn
5	Rory	16	Aria
6	Tobey	17	Jason
7	Ava	18	Charlie
8	Arthur	19	Sophie
9	Jacob	20	Teddy
10	Phoebe	21	Joshua
11	Aiden	22	Alice

ATTENDANCE

EYFS	YEAR 1	Year 2	YEAR 3	YEAR 4	YEAR 5	YEAR 6
97%	94%	97%	98%	98%	97%	98%

Dates for your diary

October 2026	
Monday 12th—Friday 16th	Mini first aid—Whole school.
Wednesday 14th	Year 5 Robinwood Residential Parent Meeting 14.30pm till 15.00pm.
Thursday 15th	Open day for prospective families.
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.

Out of School Achievements



Last weekend Eleanor from Class 8 was selected as the Coaches Player of The Match for her football team. With no available substitutions, it was a tough game. The Eleanor and the team worked so hard and showed incredible determination and resilience, with Eleanor scoring two fantastic goals. Her family are very proud of her! Eleanor.. We are proud of you too!

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 12th October is Week 1**

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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Harvest Festival

Help us support local families in our community

We are collecting non-perishable food items to donate to local food banks.
All donations are very much appreciated.

Small donations
make a
big difference

What can you donate?



Tinned vegetables



Tinned tomatoes



Tinned fruit



Breakfast cereals



Pasta



Tinned meat (e.g. tuna, chicken, ham)



Tinned beans



Pasta sauce



Rice



Instant mash



Long life milk



Tea



Coffee



Sugar



Toiletries
(e.g. shampoo, soap,
toothpaste, shower gel)

Why it makes a difference



Helps local families who are struggling with the cost of living.



Provides essential food and supplies to those in need.



Brings hope and relief during a difficult time.



Shows our community care and support each other.

Together, we can
make a real difference!



Thank you
for supporting
our collection!



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