



Chapel Street
Community Primary School

School Newsletter



Welcome from the
Headteacher



I hope everyone had a safe, restful and enjoyable Christmas holidays. A warm welcome to all families who are joining us for the first time, as part of our January Nursery intake. We are really proud of all the children at Chapel Street who looked so smart returning to school last week in their active uniforms and have settled back into their routines and learning brilliantly. There are lots to look forward to this term with a special Safer Internet assembly by Year 5 and a community event focused on mental health and wellbeing which we hope you can join us for. Make sure you ask your child what they are learning about in their subjects this half term and see if you can learn anything at home together about it. If any families are finding things hard at the moment, please come and talk to us. We are here to listen and help.

Attendance...

CONGRATULATIONS to the classes who won the termly attendance award for Autumn Term:

KS1 – Class 2a with 93.6%

KS2 – Class 4a with 96.1%



We want all parents/carers to understand how vitaly important it is to bring your child to school every day, on time.

Classroom doors open at 08:40am

The register is taken at 08:50am

Children who have poor attendance find it much harder to learn to read. This greatly affects their academic performance and results. We can't improve our school's attendance alone – we need your help! Let's do this together!

School Clubs...

There are many before and after school clubs that take place daily here at Chapel Street.

These clubs vary from year 6 mentoring, sports clubs, reading clubs, school-led tutoring, breakfast club, IDL and lego club... to name but a few!

If your child attends a school club you should have received a letter from your class teacher to include what day, time and location your child's club takes place.

Our clubs change every half term – if you're unsure, please don't hesitate to contact the school office.

Breakfast Club...

Come and join our breakfast club!

We have a range of activities and offer your child breakfast every morning for only £1 per day. If you'd like to add your child to the register, please contact the school office. Breakfast club runs from 07:45am every morning.

Dates for your diary...

January

Mon 16th Jan – Deadline for applications for Reception starters for September 2023

23/24/25th Jan – Vision & hearing checks for Reception

Fri 27th Jan – Holocaust memorial day

Mon 30th Jan – Flu Vaccinations (catch-up)

February

Thu 2nd Feb – Parent Feedback Forum

w/c 6th Feb – Children's Mental Health Week

Tue 7th Feb – Safer Internet Day

Tue 14th Feb – Valentine's Day

Wed 15th Feb – Safer Internet Day assembly Y5

Fri 17th Feb – Community health & wellbeing event for parents

March

Wed 1st Mar – Secondary school national offer day

Thu 2nd Mar – World Book Day

Thu 2nd Mar – Community reading event for parents

Wed 8th Mar – International Women's Day

w/c 13th Mar – British Science Week

Wed 15th Mar – Red Nose day

Wed 15th Mar – Early Years Open Day

Fri 17th Mar – St Patrick's Day

w/c 20th Mar – Parent's Evenings (Rec-Y6) and Parent Meetings (Nursery)

w/c 27th Mar – KS2 mock SATS week

Making a difference and achieving excellence for every child



What are we Learning...

Year 4 had an afternoon exploring the properties of oobleck (a material made by mixing cornflour and water) as part of our new Science topic - states of matter. We discovered it acted like a liquid when we acted gently – we could pour it and it took the shape of the container. It acted like a solid when we put it under pressure by moving quickly – we could pick it up or roll it into a ball.



Fact of the week:

Mrs Hughes' Fact of the Week this week is:

What does it mean if an object is opaque? Challenge: How can the size of shadows be changed?

Word of the week:

Mrs Pilling's 'word of the week' this week is:

Procrastinate

*What do you think it means?
How would you use it in a sentence?*

Active Uniform...



Blue Sweatshirt
(no logo)



White Air-Tex
t-shirt



Black leggings or jog pants
(plain no logo)



Black trainers
(no logo)

All jog pants and trainers need to be plain black, unbranded and not have any logos on them.

Skirts can be worn over leggings but they will need to be black and comfortable, so that children can still be 'active'.

STARS OF THE WEEK



A huge "well done" to all our children who won the Respect, Inclusion and Growth awards last week – we're very proud of you!

Year 1 made Pegdolls!



Winter Viruses...

1. Get the flu vaccine
2. Catch coughs and sneezes in tissues
3. Wash your hands with soap and water



Flu and coronavirus (COVID-19) are currently circulating at high levels and are likely to continue to increase in coming weeks. High numbers of scarlet fever, which is caused by group A streptococcus, also continue to be reported.

Locally, Manchester City Council have produced some easy read information that can be shared with parents and carers, offering advice to help reduce the spread of infection. See our Newsletter page on our website here:

www.chapelstreetprimary.co.uk/our-families/weekly-newsletters

Adult Learning Courses...

Looking to learn something new in 2023?

Manchester Adult Education are offering many FREE courses this January – visit their website to take a look at their prospectus and enrol now:

<https://manadulted.org.uk/>

Free Childcare...



Every parent is entitled to 15 hours FREE childcare from the Government – but are you eligible for more?

To help with childcare costs, why not find out if you could be eligible to receive up to 30 hours free childcare per week. Please visit the Government website below to check eligibility and apply:

<https://www.gov.uk/30-hours-free-childcare>

Free School Meals...

Is your child eligible to receive **FREE SCHOOL MEALS** from the Government?

You can check whether you're eligible and complete an application here:

Free School Meals (Manchester) – Who is eligible?

Anyone can apply, but not everyone is eligible. Schools are able to apply on your behalf. If you have any questions, or need any support completing your application, please contact the school office and we will be happy to help you.



The Youth Buzz Awards 2023...

The Youth Buzz Awards gives us an opportunity to celebrate the young people of Manchester's incredible successes.

A glittering awards ceremony will be held on 2nd March 2023 (to celebrate the successes and achievements of the previous year, 2022) at the Radisson Edwardian Hotel, Manchester.

We want to help to make sure everyone knows about the awards and that as many young people as possible are nominated to ensure our young people get the recognition they deserve!

Nominations close at 11.59pm on 15th January 2023.

Anyone who knows or works with a young person in Manchester aged 11-19 (or up to 25 if they have SEND or are a care leaver) can make a nomination.

Click this link to nominate: <http://www.manchester.gov.uk/buzz>



**Youth
Buzz
Awards
2023**

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