



Chapel Haddlesey CE School

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Newsletter 1

Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome back to the new academic year! We hope all our families have had a wonderful summer break and are feeling recharged and ready to tackle the term ahead.

We are so pleased to say that the children have come back to school with a great attitude towards work and are raring to go. As always, if you have any queries about anything regarding our school community, your first ports of call are your class teachers and our office team.

We would warmly like to welcome our new teacher in Class 2, Miss O'Connor. We have a few new faces in Class 1, so a big hello to Max, Isabella, Daisy, Charlie and Jessica.

There are lots of dates for your diary at the end of this newsletter. As each event approaches there will be more information shared.

Academisation update

Last term, the governors shared that Hensall was considering becoming an academy and joining the Pathfinder Trust. This change would also see the school become the fourth member of The White Rose Federation, which has been providing support to Hensall since November 2023.

The process of becoming an academy is a long one and the consultation process at Hensall will not begin until later this term. This situation also feels very different compared to when we have formally joined with other schools in the past, or indeed our own academisation journey, as the process to join Pathfinder is solely between Hensall and Pathfinder Trust.

Regardless of the outcome, staffing across all four schools will remain stable for this academic year, as structures have been secured and confirmed. We are excited to continue our focus on academic progress and moving all schools forward.

Parents of children in the federation will receive a Google questionnaire before the October half term. This survey will collect feedback on our partnership with Hensall and general feedback about each school. We would appreciate it if you could take the time to complete it, as your responses are crucial for our ongoing school improvement efforts.

Ms Suzanne Keeler, Executive Headteacher

Celebration Worship

As we now have additional events during which we welcome families into our school, we have decided to host a Celebration Worship just 3 times across the academic year. The last Friday before a half-term break in October, February and May have been added to the diary dates.

ScholarPack Communications

Our communication system with parents is with a system called ScholarPack. We can send you emails via this system, but you are unable to reply to those emails. If you need to email the school, please use the email address above. We often send out text messages but only have 160 characters in which to convey a message, so please do not think we are being short or rude if there are no greetings in them. If a child bumps their head whilst at school we send a text for awareness only, should they become unwell at home. The accident report form will be in the child's school bag for more information about the accident. For more serious bumps or accidents at school, we would phone home and speak to a parent directly.

Supervision of younger siblings on school premises

Could we please ask that any younger siblings are closely supervised whilst on the school site at drop off and collection times. They should always remain with an adult and should not climb on the equipment on the field, to prevent any accidents on the school site.

Flu Vaccinations

Vaccination UK is attending our school for flu vaccinations on Thursday 20th November 2025 for children in Reception to Year 6. For your child to receive their Nasal spray flu vaccination in school, please complete a **YES** consent form using the link below:-

<https://yny.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2025/northyorkshire>

If you **DO NOT** wish for your child to have a flu vaccination, please complete a **NO** consent via the same link.



PTA Colour Run Event

Please find more information below regarding the upcoming PTA Colour Run on Friday 3rd October 2025.

What is a colour run? A colour run is a fun run where participants can run, jog, walk, hop, skip or jump around a course while being covered in brightly coloured powder thrown from stations along the way. Colour runs are inspired by the Hindu festival of Holi and are designed to be a memorable experience and a celebration of colour rather than a timed event.

Who can run? Anyone can participate as long as they've paid the entry fee to cover costs of equipment & signed the waiver sent by school. Parents, siblings, or other family members are welcome to join in the fun! **Entry must be paid in advance to ensure we have time to purchase the t-shirts/paints so please book your place on Parent Pay by Friday 19th September to avoid disappointment!**

What paint is used? Colour run paints are sourced from trusted companies who specialise in these events. The paint used is Holi powder paint which is non-toxic & washable*; the paint comes in a variety of colours and is thrown in the direction of participants. Holi powder paint is made from cornflour and non-toxic dyes which are safe for the skin and the environment, designed to wash away easily.

*Please note: We cannot guarantee items will not be stained

What should I wear? Clothes that are suitable for running are advised. Entry fee includes a white t-shirt (to ensure you look as colourful as possible!) & glasses to protect your eyes while running. You are advised to wear clothing & footwear that is easy to wash/unlikely to stain & we recommend bringing a change of clothes & something to protect your car for the journey home!

What are we fundraising for? The entry fee covers the cost of the paints, t-shirts & glasses which are required to do the run & all additional money raised will fund the Forest school & outdoor classroom provision at the school.

What about sponsorship? Children don't have to be sponsored to run but we've provided all the children with a sponsor form so that they can raise additional funds for the Forest School provision if they wish. All sponsorship money is to be paid to the school by the end of term (Friday 25th October)

Cool Milk

All our nursery and EYFS children under 5 years old receive free school milk. The school registers them upon entry and they will receive it until their 5th birthday. If you would still like your child to continue to access milk at school after they turn 5, you can sign them up for around £16 per term on the Cool Milk website: <https://www.coolmilk.com/parents/>



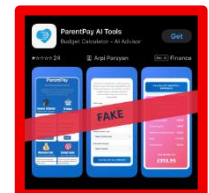
ParentPay

Please may we gently remind parents to check your ParentPay accounts weekly and settle ALL outstanding payment items. The limit per child is a strict £30, so please avoid going over this limit. Maybe consider the auto top-up option below! We operate our finances the same as any other business with the same financial regulations which we must comply with.

ParentPay Auto Top-up

Payment Auto top up assists parents and carers in ensuring their child's school meal balance is always in credit. It does so by allowing you to set a minimum balance which, when breached automatically credits your child's meal balance by a fixed amount using a balance transfer payment. In order to use auto top-up, you are required to set up the bank transfer facility detailed below on your ParentPay account. As soon as this is authorised and completed by your bank, you will be able to use the auto top-up facility. For further information visit [How to enable Auto top-up \(ATU\) – Parent Support \(parentpaygroup.com\)](https://parentpaygroup.com/how-to-enable-auto-top-up-atu)

We have been made aware that there a bogus ParentPay App was discovered on an app store. Please note that the only way to access ParentPay is via [https://parentpay.com./](https://parentpay.com/)



Parking Reminder

When parking in the Community Hall car park we ask that all families reverse park into the spaces as this gives better visibility when moving around. Could we also ask that the reserved space for Miss Hannah is kept free on the days on the reserved board (Monday, Tuesday and Thursday). The disabled bays should only be used by those with a disability badge or a school badge by a prior special arrangement with the school. We ask that you only use designated parking bays and do not block any vehicles in. We ask that pedestrians please use the footpath/grass verge to navigate your way around the car park. Please can we also ask that parents do not turn around in our neighbours' drives.

PE Kits – a reminder of what is acceptable within school

A polite reminder that all jewellery including watches, bracelets and earrings MUST either be removed at home before coming into school or before the activity starts by the child themselves in school.

The National guidance has always been that no jewellery should be worn in PE and that includes swimming and physical activity. It is not safe to cover earrings/studs/sleepers with tape. The reason is both because of the potential tearing of the ear lobe, but also the chance that the post of the earring could damage the neck which is where the brachial nerve is running directly to the brain. There have been cases of children wearing

earrings/studs with plasters over being hit by a ball or coming off worse in a collision and having nasty injuries as a consequence.

The school has the higher-level duty of care and cannot be put in the situation of looking after their child without exercising that duty of care, as dictated by national guidance.

Drinks in school

It is important that children please bring in a named water bottle daily. These can be refilled throughout the day at our plumbed-in water station. Please only send in water (in a plastic drinks bottle – not glass) and not juice etc, as this goes against our Healthy School's policy which can be found on the school website: [Food Policy](#)

Children's illnesses

Please consider if your child has just a cough and snuffle, i.e., a normal cold, they are fine to come to school. If they have an elevated temperature, guidance is for them to stay off school.



Pupil absences: it is important that you please make sure you telephone or email the school **before 9am** to notify us of any child absence, with a

reason. Equally, we ask if your child is unwell and you have called on the first day of their absence, we also require a call on each subsequent day until they are well enough to be back in school. If we do not receive any communication, by phone or email, we start our process of contacting all the contacts allocated to your child and if we still have not received any information, the Children Missing in Education protocol is triggered. A child that arrives after our registration time of 9am, but before 9.10am receives a late mark – code L. A child who arrives late after 9.10am, will be registered with a late after registers mark – code U. Thank you for your cooperation with this.



A reminder of our school Pupil Attendance Policy for reporting absences due to illness which can be found by following this link: [Pupil Attendance Policy](#)

Parents are asked to inform the school office by telephone or email by 9am each day a child is unwell and will not be attending school.

- A child who has been given antibiotics should be kept away from school for the first 48 hours of treatment.
- A child who has been sick or who has diarrhoea should also be kept away from school until the child has been clear of the problem for 48 hours.
- Medical/dental appointments should be attended out of school hours, however where this is not possible the school will require notification prior to the absence. When a child is absent for a medical appointment it is expected that they will return to school immediately following the appointment. Please contact the office for further guidance on specific illnesses and required length of absence.

It is crucial that parents please adhere to this procedure to ensure that all pupils are safe and their whereabouts accounted for.

Medicines in school including inhalers

If you require your child to have medicine administered during a school day (including asthma inhalers), please complete a **'Parental Request for Medicine in School'** form, which is available from the school office. We are not allowed to administer any medicine without this being completed fully and signed by a parent/carer and the Head of School. If your child requires a course of antibiotics for example, over a period of a few days, please ensure that the medicine is handed directly into the school office each morning. **Whilst we can administer Calpol (or similar Paracetamol-based medicines), we are not insured to administer any Ibuprofen medication sent in, unless a doctor prescribes this.**



Pastoral Support

Good attendance is linked to success in all aspects of life!

Whole school attendance target is: 97%
This fortnight whole school attendance was 96.89%

Class	Percentage
Class 1	97.53%
Class 2	97.92%
Class 3	90.85%

There were 58 children in the 100% club for this fortnight.

Yours sincerely,

Miss K Northway
Head of School

Diary Dates

Friday 3rd October 2025	PTA Colour Run 1.30pm
Monday 20 th October 2025	Nursery/Reception Open afternoon 1.30-2.30pm for prospective families
Friday 24 th October 2025	- Harvest/Celebration Worship 9.00am - Break up for half-term 3.30pm - PTA Halloween Disco – more details to follow
Friday 31 st October 2025	Closing date for Secondary School Applications
Monday 3 rd November 2025	School re-opens
Tuesday 25 th November 2025	Parents' Evening 3.30 – 6.00

Thursday 20 th November 2025	● Flu vaccinations for children signed up 1.00-3.00pm
Monday 24 th November 2025	● Nursery/Reception Open afternoon 1.30-2.30pm for prospective families
Thursday 27 th November 2025	● Parents' Evening 3.30 – 6.00
Wednesday 10 th December 2025	● Campfire Carols 3.00pm – more details to follow
Thursday 11 th December 2025	● Nativity 9.30am ● Nativity 2.00pm
Friday 5 th December 2025	● Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper day
Friday 12 th December 2025	● Nativity 9.30am ● Nativity 2.00pm
Friday 19 th December 2025	● Break up for Christmas
Monday 5 th January 2026	● School re-opens
Monday 12 th January 2026	● Nursery/Reception Open afternoon 1.30-2.30pm
Friday 23 rd January 2026	● Phototronics taking individual and class photos
Thursday 29 th January 2026	● Young Voices Concert – Sheffield Arena
Friday 13 th February 2026	● Celebration Worship 9.00am ● Break up for half-term 3.30pm
Monday 23 rd February 2025	● School re-opens
Monday 2 nd March 2026	● Secondary School National Offer Day
Tuesday 3 rd March 2026	● Parents' Evening 3.30 – 6.00
Thursday 5 th March 2026	● Parents' Evening 3.30 – 6.00
Friday 6 th March 2026	● Class 3 trip to Magna
Monday 9 th March 2026	● Nursery/Reception Open afternoon 1.30-2.30pm for prospective families
Monday 11 th March 2026	● Mothers Day Campfire Hot Chocolates 2.30pm
Friday 27 th March 2026	● Break up for Easter 3.30pm
Monday 13 th April 2026	● Training Day
Tuesday 14 th April	● School re-opens
Monday 27 th April 2026	● Year 4 Residential – more details to follow
Monday 4 th May 2026	● Bank Holiday – school closed
Monday 11 th May 2026	● Nursery/Reception Open afternoon 1.30-2.30pm for prospective families
Thursday 21 st May 2026	● Sports Day – 1.30pm
Friday 22 nd May 2026	● Celebration Worship 9.00am ● Break up for half-term 3.30pm

Monday 1 st June 2026	● Training Day
Tuesday 2 nd June 2026	● School re-opens
Thursday 4 th June 2026	● Sports Day Back-up
Thursday 11 th June 2026	● Class 3 Trip – Yorkshire Sculpture Park
Monday 22 nd June 2026	● Nursery/Reception Open afternoon 1.30-2.30pm for prospective families ● Fathers' Day Campfire waffles and ice-cream 2.30pm
Thursday 2 nd July 2026	● Federation Sports Day – KS2
Tuesday 7 th July 2026	● Art Showcase 2.30pm
Thursday 16 th July 2026	● Leavers Service 9.30am
Friday 17 th July 2026	● School closes for summer break 3.30pm
Monday 20 th July 2026	● Training Day

Term dates for upcoming academic years

Please see our website for the term dates for 2025/2026 and also the newly added **2026/2027**.

[School Term and Holiday Dates | Chapel Haddlesey CE Primary School \(chapelhaddleseyschool.org.uk\)](http://chapelhaddleseyschool.org.uk)