

Welcome back, it is hard to believe we have arrived at the end of January! School has been full of excitement this week as children have applied for the position of Reading Ambassador, thank you to the many of you who supported your children with their applications. We have seen the book vending machine back in use as children are earning golden tokens for completing their reading charts. Please continue to read a minimum of 3 x per week so your child can gain stickers on their chart and achieve their token. It would be lovely to see every child rewarded with a book.

Thank you to the many parents who have worked with us to maintain the high standard of uniform, the children have been looking very smart coming into school.

Mrs Reed



School Communications

We want to make sure communication between school and home is as smooth and easy as possible. We use ParentHub as our main route of communication with all parents and carers. This is an app which you download, if you need any help accessing

ParentHub please speak to Mrs Hannaby.

This monthly newsletter is published on the main channel and class information is on your child's class channel. Staff may also contact you directly via direct messages and chats.

Why can I not always reply on Parent Hub?

Parent Hub chats are closed regularly, or a message may be sent as a direct message with no mechanism for reply. The reason for this is that Parent Hub is not monitored as an incoming flow so staff are only aware of communications when they log onto the app. We do not want any messages to be missed. If a staff member has left a chat open and you are able to reply they will be checking the app regularly. If not please contact us via telephoning or emailing the school office on chapelfield@bury.gov.uk, 0161 7235519.

Healthy Schools

We are a healthy school. This means that:

- your child's water bottle should be filled with **water only**. We know that drinking adequate water throughout the day contributes to health and wellbeing and has none of the health problems associated with drinks containing sugar, additives or sweeteners.
- snacks should be either **fruit** or a **yoghurt**. These snacks will be eaten outside during morning break so please ensure your child can eat their snack independently.



- as an Allergy Aware school we ask that **no nuts** are sent into school. Your child will not be permitted to eat any food item containing nuts

Please speak to your child's class teacher if you have any further questions.

Help Us Improve: Complete Our SEND Questionnaire

We're committed to continually reviewing and improving our practice to support all children at Chapelfield Primary School. To help us do this, we'd like to hear from you.

We're asking all parents and carers to complete our SEND questionnaire – this is for everyone, not just families whose children have special educational needs or disabilities. Your responses will give us valuable insights into how we can better support every child in our school community.

The questionnaire should take just a few minutes to complete.

Please use this link [Short Parent Questionnaire: SEND Provision – Fill out form](#)

Thank you for taking the time to share your views – they really do make a difference.



Managing Children's Digital Lives

We know it can be really challenging in supporting children to remain safe in the digital world we live in! The Children's Commissioner has published this guide which explored why child can find it difficult to talk about their online lives and how you as parents and carers can help. The guide addresses screen time, when things go wrong and artificial intelligence. In each section the guide covers the issue at hand, what children think and top tips. It is available on our website under Parents > Parents Info > Online Guide. There is also a childrens guide too!

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FAMILY HELP DROP-IN SESSIONS

We know that every family faces challenges at different times – and that's completely normal! Sometimes these challenges can start to feel overwhelming, and asking for help might seem daunting or embarrassing, or you might simply not know where to turn.

That's why we've made it easier for you to get the right help at the right time, close to home.

From January 2026, our Family Help Team will be offering regular drop-in sessions at Family Hubs and Children's Centres across Bury.

These sessions are open to parents, carers, grandparents – anyone who plays a role in family life.

Come and chat with one of our trained practitioners for friendly advice, guidance, and support.

We can also signpost you to services that can help with more specialist needs.

What We Can Help With:

Parenting; Mental Health; Schools & Colleges; Finances;
Parental Conflict; Friendships; Sexual Health; Domestic Abuse;
Family Relationships & Difficulties
Substance Misuse; Housing; General worries or queries

When & Where

Venues: Family Hubs and Children's Centres

Frequency: Fortnightly sessions at each location

Format: In-person and virtual options to make it easier for you.

For details of times, dates, venues, and lots more information, follow us on **Facebook: Bury Family Help Service**

Family Help Drop in Sessions

You may have been aware over the last year there have been Family Help Drop-In Sessions in school. These have been replaced with a new service from Bury Family Help. There are now regular drop in sessions at Family Hubs and Children's Centres across Bury.

Who are they for?

These sessions are open to anyone playing an active role in family life. You can drop in and speak to trained practitioners who will be able to give you advice, guidance, support and signposting.

Where can I find out more?

The leaflet was sent out on ParentHub and contains details of their Facebook page. If you need any further support please speak to Mrs McLoughlin

Important Dates

Wednesday 25 th January	Reception Eye Tests Please note this is a change to the original date
Tuesday 3 rd March	Parents Evening Booking information will be sent out after half term
Tuesday 10 th March	The Talent Foundry Y3/4M, Y4/5 and Y5/6
Thursday 2 nd April	Final Day of Term School closes at 3.30pm
Thursday 7 th May	Exceptional Closure School closed for Polling Day
Monday 11 th May – Thursday 14 th May	SATS Week – Year 6 Please ensure your child is in attendance and on time every day
Monday 1 st June – Friday 12 th June	Multiplication Check Weeks – Year 4 Please ensure your child is in attendance and on time every day
Monday 8 th June – Friday 12 th June	Phonics Screening Check Week – Year 1 and Year 2 Please ensure your child is in attendance and on time every day
Friday 3 rd July	Nursery Closed – Transition Sessions for September 2026 More information to follow

TERM DATES: 2025-2026

	Spring Term 1
Close (normal time):	Friday 13 th February 2026
Half Term – School Closed:	Monday 16 th February to Friday 20 th February 2026
	Spring Term 2
Re-open (for pupils):	Monday 23 rd February 2026
Close (normal time):	Thursday 2 nd April 2026
Easter Holiday:	Friday 3 rd April to Friday 17 th April 2026
	Summer Term 1
Re-open (for pupils):	Monday 20 th April 2026
May Day – School Closed:	Monday 4 th May 2026
Re-open (for pupils):	Tuesday 5 th May 2026
Close (normal time):	Friday 22 nd May 2026
Half Term – School Closed:	Monday 25 th May to Friday 29 th May 2026
	Summer Term 2
Re-open (for pupils):	Monday 1 st June 2026
Close (normal time):	Friday 17 th July 2026
Staff Inset Day 4 & 5:	Monday 20 th and Tuesday 21 st July 2026 (school closed to pupils)
Summer Holiday – School Closed:	Wednesday 22 nd July