



# Chapel Chat

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Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been lovely as I have visited the children this week to see a real buzz of hard work and learning in each classroom. I was able to spend some time with our youngest children in their phonics lessons where they are being taught to read. Reading really is the single most important thing you can do with your child. Listening to them read, sharing a story together, discussing books or texts or reading to the children will really help them become more confident and develop a love of reading. Our virtual library in the 'Curriculum' section of our website has some great texts that you can access. Follow the QR code:



Thank you to all of the children who have entered our '**Design a School Flag**' competition. The closing date for entries is **next Friday (14th May)**. Then an expert panel of judges will convene to cast their eyes over all of the entrants. If children need another entry form they can simply use a plain sheet of A4 (make sure they include their name!)

I hope the weather warms up for us all over the weekend!

**Graham Almond**

## COVID-19 Notification

If you need to inform the school of any COVID-19 related issues out of school hours please use the school COVID email address: [Covid19@chapel-cit.co.uk](mailto:Covid19@chapel-cit.co.uk) to keep us updated.

Staff, students, parents and carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace. Thank you.

## Class Photos

Due to the pandemic we missed out on our whole class photos last year. We have arranged for Wrates our school photographer to come into school on Tuesday 18th May to take our class photos.

## Year 6 Parents: Home School Transport

If your child is starting primary school or transferring to secondary school in September 2021 they may be eligible for school transport. If you think your child is eligible please apply for transport as soon as possible. Applications can be made online at the website below or a paper application form can be requested from the Customer Service Centre on 01522 782020.



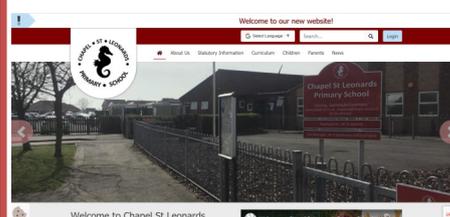
For more information about the home to school transport policy and online applications please go to [www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooltransport](http://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooltransport).

Queries can be emailed to [schooltransportapplications@lincolnshire.gov.uk](mailto:schooltransportapplications@lincolnshire.gov.uk).

## Check out our new look website

We have refreshed and updated our school website to give it a clearer more modern look. The website address is still the same:

[www.chapel-cit.co.uk](http://www.chapel-cit.co.uk) or follow the QR code.





# Chapel Champions: 7th May



## Achievement Award

## Values Award: Leadership

<b>Reception</b>	Chloe O: taking such care with her presentation when completing work. Thank you Chloe.	Millie: encouraging the rest of her group during Balancability. She started a supportive chant.
<b>Year 1</b>	Bryony: her amazing effort with all aspects of her learning this week and blossoming in lessons.	Bronwyn: helping to leading the way in her phonics group on a daily basis.
<b>Year 2</b>	Maddie: some wonderful maths work with Mrs Routh this week.	Zayan: showing excellent leadership in his work around class and leading the way with reading at home.
<b>Year 3</b>	Tommy: his excellent times tables knowledge.	Casey: becoming more independent in his learning especially times table practice.
<b>Year 4</b>	Kayden: fantastic science work when grouping animals.	Rosey-May: showing leadership skills in DT.
<b>Year 5</b>	Stephanie: great progress in her reading this week.	Ruby: Leading the way with presentation in Year 5 something for us all to aspire to.
<b>Year 6</b>	Lacey T: fantastic effort and progress in ratio and proportion this week.	Connor: his mature and resilient attitude in and outside of the classroom.

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### What you need to know about...

# AGE RATINGS



## What are they?

### 'Age Ratings'

A game's age rating can be used by adults to make an informed choice as to whether or not a game is suitable for their child. The PEGI (Pan European Game Information) system rates games and, instead of indicating the level of ability required to physically play a game, it indicates the suitability of content for that age group. 3, 7, 12, 16 and 18 are the labels that can be awarded to games and a variety of content descriptors such as violence, bad language and fear are used to further clarify why the label was assigned.

# 16 & UP ONLY

# 12-15

## Know the Risks

### 18+

### Inappropriate content

The biggest and most obvious risk of not following the age rating system is that children may view or hear age-inappropriate content. Many games now include scenes of a violent or graphic nature which could be upsetting or considered too intense for younger players.

### Peer pressure

Peer pressure has a large role to play in age ratings being overlooked. Children don't want to be the ones left behind and can put their parents under pressure to allow them to play a game beyond the recommended suitability, especially when all of their friends are playing it already.

### Level of 'Kudos'

Playing a game with a label that is higher than their age can be viewed by some children as a challenge and to gain a good reputation amongst friends. 'Kudos' is attributed to the child playing the age inappropriate game resulting in more children wanting to follow suit.

### Free Platforms

In order for a game to be released on popular platforms, such as PlayStation and Xbox, game developers must pay for a PEGI rating. However, smaller development teams are sometimes reluctant to pay these fees and games are often released on other platforms, such as Steam, without any age restrictions.

FREE

## Spot the Signs

### Being vague

Be aware of children being vague around the content of what they want to play. If they are unwilling to supply you with information about what the game is about, this can be an indicator that you wouldn't allow them to purchase it if you knew.

### Unofficial sites

There are plenty of indie games that can be bought using online stores that don't necessarily have age restrictions. If you notice your child using sites such as GOG or itch.io rather than official channels such as the Google Play Store, they might be accessing games that aren't officially rated but still aren't age appropriate.

### Unfamiliar terminology

Your child might start using phrases or terminology that is new to them or mimicking actions that they have learnt from a game without realising their inappropriateness.

### Wanting to be secluded

Be aware if suddenly your child wants to move the device that they play their games on into a more secluded area of the house away from adults. It is a good idea for your child to play online games in shared area where you can see the screen.

### Be aware of spending

Setting up accounts with online stores require bank account details. Keeping an eye on your bank balance means that you will be able to tell if there has been a new purchase and can provide you with an opportunity to ask about what new game they've purchased.

## Safety Tips