

"Learning Together, Learning for Life"



Mablins Lane Community Primary School Newsletter ~ 1st April 2021

Dear Parents and Children,

END OF TERM!

It is unbelievable that we have reached the end of the Spring Term. Many thanks for all the support and the kind words received over this challenging term. We hope that you all have a super break and look forward to a more settled and uninterrupted Summer Term.

THANK YOU!



Thought of the Week

The thought this week is about challenges.

DON'T LIMIT YOUR CHALLENGES

- CHALLENGE YOUR LIMIT

The last 12 months has been a challenge, but if we have used this challenge positively then we will see the reward.

Assemblies - shout outs last week to....



We are still having our Friday Celebration assembly on Teams each Friday morning. Now that we are back in school each class is able to join in on-line. Last week certificates were awarded to:

EYFS Certificates:

Ella, Nicholas, Erin

Year 1 Certificates:

William, Eddison, Elissia

Year 2 Certificates:

Oscar, Ismay, Madison

Year 3 Certificates:

Coby, Stevie, Summer, Charlie

Year 4 Certificates:

Leon, Leah, Zack

Year 5 Certificates:

Stephanie, Angel, Isabelle

Year 6 Certificates:

Holly, Hayden, Daniel, Izzy

This week we are having our assembly on Thursday morning so that we can have an end of term get together, albeit 'on-line'. We will report achievements during the first week after the break. There will be no attendance awards to this term due to part of the learning being on-line.

Science Week



Week beginning Monday 26th April is going to be Science Week in school. This is the second week after the Easter break. The team are looking at all things science and the children will be doing lots of experimenting and investigating. We are also inviting the children to come to school dressed with a science theme at the end of that week. If you are able to help in any way with ideas, resources or links, then please let us know via the school office. Thank you.

Parents Evening

Now that we are back in school we are planning to offer Parents Evening appointments. This usually happens during March but with the school being partially closed we are now looking to do this after the Easter break, before the end of April. The meeting will be held via TEAMs. All children have a log in and meetings can be set up quite easily on this platform.

Meetings will be held after Easter on 27/28/29 April between 4-7pm. The system for booking appointments will continue as previously on line with each class teacher sharing their availability.

Appointments will be 10 minute time slots. Children should be encouraged to join with their parents.

Any parents who cannot log on will be offered a phone call. Anyone who doesn't book an appointment will be contacted to see why they have not taken up the offer, and offered support.

You will be informed by letter when the appointments are available to book.

Residential Visits



The DFE informed us last week that if the roadmap to recovery continues then schools will be able to undertake overnight visits from 17th May 2021.

As we locked down in March last year the visit to Anglesey had to be cancelled. We also missed the Y6 visit to the Lakes in September and the Y2 visit to Beeston in January.

As a result of the announcement we have the opportunity to re-schedule these visits. A survey was sent out this week to current Y6 (Lakes), Y5 (Anglesey) and Y2 (Delamere) in order to see if the trips would be viable. If we have sufficient interest, letters will be distributed after the Easter break with costings and further details.

Drop Off – Parking

Again, please can I remind parents to park responsibly and respectfully in the vicinity of the school?

To help ease this situation we are

very grateful that he Eight Farmers pub car park has been made available for school drop off / pick up parking again. Many thanks to Lisa and her team at the

pub for allowing us to use this facility.

Road Safety

During the period of drop off and collection vehicles should adhere to the "20's plenty" slogan. I have witnessed many vehicles in Mablins



Lane exceeding this speed. Parents are dropping children and then 'speeding' away. This is dangerous for all concerned. Please keep your speed low and our children safe.

Governor vacancies

We currently have vacancies on the board of Governors for co-opted members of the community. If you know of anybody who would be interested in becoming a school Governor then



please contact the chair of Governors for further information: chair@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk

Positive Cases

A protocol is in place should a positive case be reported and that class/year group will be isolated immediately. Parents will be contacted and a 10-day isolation period will be implemented. It is vital that parents support us by passing on important information quickly. Should a pupil or any close family member show any symptoms then it is important NOT to come to school. Please notify us of the situation and we can take appropriate action.

IMPORTANT

Covid-19 Telephone Number

If your child has a Covid test and it is positive you must inform the school immediately by calling our Covid telephone line on:

MABLINS LANE COVID POSITIVE TEST REPORTING TELEPHONE NO.

07415 005702

This number is **ONLY** for reporting a positive test.

Free School Meals

Are you entitled to Free School Meals? Go to the link below to see if you meet the specified criteria. Applying for FSM attracts



over £1000 of funding in to school which helps to support the children, for example helping to fund your child's school trips.

https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals

School Meals - Cashless Payments

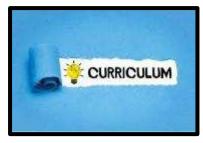
Please can we remind parents about the Cheshire East epayments system. Payments for school meals **should** where possible be made online via the

Cheshire East School Epayments Portal

If parents are unsure how to do this then please ask at the school office or refer to the <u>online parent guide</u>.

Curriculum Slices

We will be sending out Curriculum Slices following the Easter break outlining areas of study for the Summer Term. Due to the turbulence of this



school year we aim to outline plans for the summer, but these may change and we are building in a degree of flexibility so that we can support the needs of the children and best prepare them for the next stage in their learning journey.

112 - Emergency Number

112 Emergency (EU-wide)

At the end of last week and the beginning of this week I managed to renew my first aid qualification. Information was shared about the emergency number 112 which might be useful:

112 is a common emergency telephone number that can be dialled free of charge from most mobile telephones, and in some countries, fixed telephones in order to reach emergency services (ambulance, fire and rescue, police). An additional positive is that when calls are connected it tracks GPS and so is able to pinpoint location which is always useful in an emergency.

Mobile numbers must be registered:

Text REGISTER to 112

Reply YES

Your number will then be registered.

You can use the number across Europe as well as in the UK. It can be used for calls or text messaging if you are unable to speak.



<u>Year Group – Email Address</u> <u>Mablins Lane CP School</u>

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Mablins Lane Forest School



Another great Mablins week in Forest School. The sun has been shining and the children have really enjoyed being outside!













Thank you so much for all the donated wellies and seeds we have plenty of lovely seeds now but keep digging out old wellies as we always want these!

LOCKDOWN GUIDANCE:

Some of the rules on what you can and cannot do changed on 29 March. However, many restrictions remain in place. You must not socialise indoors with anyone you do not live with or have formed a support bubble with. You should continue to work from home if you can and minimise the number of journeys you make where possible. You should get a test and follow the stay at home guidance if you have COVID-19 symptoms.

You can read the <u>'COVID-19 Response - Spring 2021</u> <u>(roadmap)'</u> for more information on the roadmap out of lockdown in England. It is <u>underpinned by</u> law.

From 29 March:

- you can meet outdoors either in a group of 6 (from any number of households), or in a group of any size from up to 2 households (a household can include an existing support bubble, if eligible)
- you can take part in formally organised outdoor sports with any number of people (outdoor sports venues and facilities will be able to reopen)
- childcare and supervised activities are allowed outdoors for all children
- formally organised parent and child groups can take place outdoors for up to 15 attendees.
 Children under 5 will not be counted in this number

End of Term

We break up today - **THURSDAY 1**ST **APRIL** (no April Fool!). Easter weekend is at the start of our holiday period this year, so we return to school on **MONDAY 19**TH **APRIL**.

As stated above, restrictions are scheduled to change over the Easter period. Please plan your Easter break carefully. Consider contacts and continue to follow the guidance. If you can, meet outdoors, that is the safest place.

Have a good EASTER everybody.
Stay Home, Stay Safe.
Take care and look after yourselves.

With kind regards,
Justine Joule – Headteacher



