

## Mablins Lane Community Primary School Newsletter ~ 10<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Dear Parents and Children,

We are at the end of our first full week back in school. The children have settled so quickly, especially our new EYFS children. We are very proud of you all. There have been lots of exciting things happening in school already, and we know that there is so much to look forward to.

### Thought of the Week



### COVID

In line with Local Authority advice we have opened the school cautiously. Whilst restrictions across the country are easing and it feels like things are getting back to how they were, we must be mindful that Covid has not gone away. We currently have four children out of school because they have received a positive PCR result and one teacher. (Previously we have only ever had one or two cases at a time.)

**If your child does show any symptoms at all then please do not send them in to school.**

**If anybody in your house receives a positive result then please isolate and do not come to school.**

**A positive LFT result should be followed by a PCR test and pupils should not come to school until a negative PCR result is received.**

When we are made aware of a positive case we will distribute a 'Warn and Inform' letter to the relevant families. We do not have to close 'bubbles' and only the 'positive' family needs to isolate, but contacts need to be vigilant for signs and seek a PCR test if any symptoms arise. At all times we advise caution and consideration. Children often have very mild, or no symptoms at all and this is what fuels transmission. Please contact the school office or Public Health if you are unsure of steps to take.



**FACE MASKS** – we are still encouraging families to wear a face covering whilst on site. Anybody entering the school building to visit the school office **MUST** wear a face covering. We are still looking to keep visitors on site to a minimum to reduce the risk of transmission.

**SOCIAL DISTANCING** – we are still encouraging families to observe the 2m social distancing measures, particularly whilst waiting on the playground. It is requested that only 1 adult per family comes on site to collect children and that they stick to the drop off and collection times. At the end of the day we ask that families move quickly from the site and disperse accordingly.

**ONE WAY SYSTEM – THIS REMAINS IN OPERATION ACROSS THE SCHOOL SITE** Many parents have challenged this over the last week (some rather rudely!) but we have retained the one way system in order that there is no crossing. Evidence has shown that where people are travelling in the same direction there is a slightly reduced risk of transmission.

**ONE WAY SYSTEM IN OPERATION**

**TESTING** - Staff will continue to take regular LFT tests and respond to results accordingly. The vast majority of staff are double vaccinated and continue to take precautions in order to reduce transmission.

**STAGGERED START/FINISH TIMES** - We amended the start and end times of the school day in order to reduce congestion around the school site which led to us to survey parents and make this a permanent change. We have been monitoring the 'flow' of people and congestion in order to keep our site as safe as possible. We believe that the staggered timings have helped congestion considerably, and the site feels safer for the children **BUT** we would like to make one amendment to see if this can be further improved.

**FROM MONDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER YEAR 4 WILL END THE DAY AT 3pm** - This adjustment will allow Y4 parents to clear the playground prior to Y1 and Y2 parents. The 15 minutes from the end of the day will be adjusted in the timetable around break and lunch times.

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**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. Please **do not** take to social media.

**Celebration Assembly**

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We will continue to have our Friday Celebration Assembly on TEAMS each week. If pupils are isolating then we can link them in from home so that they don't miss out.

**Tablets**

It has been fantastic to see the children using their tablets again in school already this term. Many families have returned the parental agreement and those children are taking their tablets home to support homework activities. Some parents have chosen not to sign and accept the tablet at home. Please be assured that this is entirely your obligation. Where a signed parental agreement is not in place those children will just use the tablet in school. School will take full responsibility for that tablet. Each family should individually make a decision based on their circumstances.



**PLEASE NOTE:** the tablets have a security system which only allows the tablet to be used for specified apps. Children will not be able to download or play games on them and it is not set up for internet shopping! Also – should the tablet be mis-placed, they all have a tracker and the tablet will be immediately dis-abled. Children are also not to put a login password on the tablets either, as we just want them to turn them on and be ready to go!

**Timings**

**Please remember that we have new start times;**

**Year 5 & 6 – 08:40  
Year 3 & 4 – 08:50  
Year 1 & 2 – 08:55  
EYFS – 09:00**

These are the times the REGISTER will be taken in each year group. If your child misses registration they are classed as late and will be marked 'L' in the register. Several 'L' marks will trigger a call from the Education Welfare Officer and could incur a fine.

The doors will open 10 minutes before the start time. SLT will be on the gates and in the playground to direct and support families.

**PLEASE STICK TO THE ALLOACTED TIMES FOR YOUR YEAR GROUP IN ORDER TO KEEP CONGESTION TO A MINIMUM.**

**Uniform**

It has been lovely to see the children back in smart uniform. Please make sure that all clothing is named. Name labels are available from the school office if required at a competitive price.

A reminder that children should be wearing school shoes now and not trainers. If children wish to play on the 'astro' pitches during break times they must change into a pair of trainers.

PE kits should be brought in to school for PE days and the children will change in school. PE kit should be plain – not football kits or beach wear please. Plain dark shorts/ joggers and a white/blue t shirt. A reminder that jewellery including earrings **MUST NOT** be worn in PE sessions. This is following Cheshire East Health and Safety guidance.

### UNIFORM CHECKLIST

- SCHOOL SHOES NOT TRAINERS.
- PE KIT PLAIN DARK SHORTS/JOGGERS AND WHITE/BLUE T-SHIRT.
- NO JEWELLERY OR EARRINGS WORN IN PE SESSIONS.

### Welcome Meetings

At this time of the year we usually invite parents to a meeting welcoming them to the new year group and passing on information about protocols and procedures. Last year this was not possible and so we posted video clips on the school website. This year we intend to hold remote meetings via Microsoft TEAMS using the children's school log in's. The meetings will be as follows:

### **Microsoft TEAMS Welcome Meeting Times Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> September**

EYFS	-	4:00pm
Y1	-	4:20pm
Y2	-	4:40pm
Y3	-	5:00pm

### **Thursday 23rd September**

Y4	-	4:00pm
Y5	-	4:20pm
Y6	-	4:40pm

FURTHER DETAILS WILL FOLLOW

### 'go read' – digital reading record for KS2 children



The school will be launching the go read digital reading record in the next few weeks. This will replace the homework dairies for KS2 children. If you would like to understand how this will work then you can visit the website and take a tour, please see the link below.

<https://go-read.co.uk/parents>



Children in the new few weeks will be given a QR code/password to login in. More information to follow next week!

Children in KS1 have been given a reading record in a paper format to record reading at home and that will continue.

### Job Vacancy

**JOB VACANCY**  
**APPLY NOW!**

We currently have a vacancy for a cleaner as one of our long standing cleaners is leaving her role. The position is for 10 hours a week, after school. All information and the application form can be found in the vacancy section of the school website.

### Governor Vacancy

A vacancy has arisen for a parent Governor. A letter will be distributed giving more details surrounding the role, but if this is something that might be of interest then please contact the school office.



### Parent Conduct

I am very sad to report that during our first week back at school there have been several incidents of abusive language and swearing on the playground and at the school gate. This will not be tolerated. Everyone on our playground deserves respect. Anybody found to be using inappropriate language will be asked to leave the

premises. Where people are being abusive they will be reported to the PCSO and could face barring from the premises. We teach our pupils to be kind to others and to show respect. We therefore expect the same standards from anybody visiting the site.

## RESPECT AND KINDNESS

### PCSO

Over the coming weeks Matt Oliver our PCSO will be patrolling in the vicinity of the school during pick up and drop off times. (I am already aware that a ticket has been issued for inappropriate parking in the Bus Stop.) He will be monitoring conduct around the school and checking on safe and appropriate parking. On some occasions speed checks may also be undertaken. Please drive and park safely.

Our PC and PCSO have asked us to share this message with you:

*Parents/ Guardians of Mabllins Lane Primary School, As the local beat officers for Leighton we would like to welcome you to another school year.*

*We are writing to inform those when collecting or dropping off children and parking their vehicle in the surrounding area the importance of legal parking. As beat officers, we aim to upkeep the safety of the students on their way to/from school. To ensure this, we look to keep the congestion of traffic to a minimum on busy roads such as Mabllins Lane and Parkers Road. When parking your vehicle, please be aware not to commit any of the following offences that may result in a £30 Fixed Penalty Notice whilst putting the students in danger.*

- Parking across from a junction
- Obstructing a dropped curb
- Parking in a bus lane
- Parking on zigzag lines
- Parking and obstructing a pavement

*We look to work with parents/guardians to achieve this goal, if you see us on patrol feel free to come chat to us. Additionally, to lighten the build of vehicles around the school, the Eight Farmers pub have granted parents/guardians the use of their carpark at drop off/collection times.*

*Many thanks,*

*PC MARTIN and PCSO OLIVER*

### Reminder

The school site follows a NO smoking policy. This includes vaping. Please can we remind all families to stick to this rule when collecting children and waiting on the playground or car park. Thank you.



### Medical Reviews & Forms

Please can parents return asthma forms that have been sent out by Mrs Eastwood. She has also contacted parents about Medical Health Care reviews, if you have not already done so, can you please contact the school office to arrange an appointment, these can be face to face or over the telephone.

### School Lunches

The menu next week will be:

## SCHOOL LUNCHES

### Week 1

#### MONDAY

Cheese & Tomato  
Pizza  
Salad Potatoes

Tuna Salad  
Salad Potatoes

Organic Yoghurt

#### TUESDAY

Tandoori Chicken  
Fillet  
Savoury Rice

Pasta Italianne(v)

Rhubarb & Apple  
Flapjack Crumble  
with Ice Cream

#### WEDNESDAY

Mild Beef Chilli In a  
Soft Tortilla Boat

Jacket Potato  
Filled with Cheesy  
Beans(v)

Sultana Cookie with  
Fruit Chunk or  
Organic Yoghurt

#### THURSDAY

Coconut Chicken  
Rice & Cous Cous

Tomato Pasta  
Parcels(v)

Chocolate Crunch  
with Fruit Chunk

#### FRIDAY

Butchers/Quorn(v)  
Sausages  
Hash Brown, Beans

Battered Fish  
Chips  
Mushy Peas

Vanilla Ice Cream  
with Summer Fruit  
Coulis

**Take care and look after yourselves.**

With kind regards

Justine Joule – Headteacher



### School Dates for Your Diary

Date	Event
21 <sup>st</sup> Oct	Last day of term for children
22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	INSET day - School closed for children



HAVE A GREAT SCHOOL YEAR!

play nice work hard

stay kind find

accept responsibility JOY

TAKE OWNERSHIP

think positive BIG DREAM YOU'RE UNIQUE  
speak kindly

you matter

nobody's perfect

GIVE THANKS MAGIC

courage HAPPENS

counts laugh loudly

Be accountable

IT'S OKAY

practice more



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