

Mablins Lane Community Primary School Newsletter ~ 16th December 2019



Dear Parents and Children

This is our last newsletter for the year so I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and all the very best for 2020!



PTA Christmas Fair

Many thanks for the tremendous support for our annual Christmas Fair. I can now reveal that we made a profit of £2000. This money is helping to fund new blinds for the ceiling and upper windows in the main school hall. This will assist greatly going forward when we are holding performances as we will be able to 'blackout'. Thanks to everybody who has helped in any way to raise this great amount of money.

Baby News!

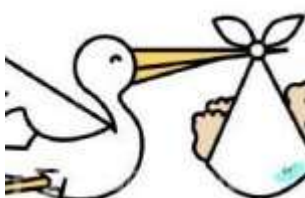
A baby has been born, it is not a boy though! We are very pleased to inform parents that Mrs Stant has a new baby daughter. We are looking forward to welcoming them in to school in the near future.



Further Baby News!

We are pleased to announce that Miss Warriner is expecting her first baby in April. She is planning to begin her maternity leave just before Easter.

In order to give continuity in EYFS Miss Stevenson, who has been covering the PPA and working in the department, will take over Class 1 in January. Miss Warriner will then cover the PPA and support until she leaves us at Easter.



Our happy baby news continues with the announcement that Miss Wood, TA in Year 1, is also expecting a baby in April.

Christmas Activity Day

On Friday 13th December all children were invited to attend school wearing something Christmassy. We saw a whole range of Christmas jumpers and Christmas outfits. During the day there were many Christmas activities including games and things to make.

Santa made a special visit thanks to the PTA and those children who purchased a ticket were able to visit and received a gift. Santa then made a visit to each class before dashing away to continue his festive preparations.

Joy prepared a fabulous Christmas lunch for over 300 of our pupils and Santa enjoyed some turkey and trimmings too. There were special assistants brought in to the kitchen and the meal was accompanied by some great festive music.



Please have a look on Twitter to see everyone enjoying the day.

Christmas Performances

Over the last two weeks we have been treated to some fabulous Christmas performances. EYFS took to the stage first and showed us how confident they have become over their first term at school. They performed the Tiptoe Nativity.

Year 1 invited their family and friends to 'Stay and Sing for Christmas'. Parents were invited to sing along and even had a try on the hand chimes, although they were not as good as the children!

Year 2 had a 'Midwife in Crisis'! There was not a dry eye in the house as the midwife screeched in to Bethlehem!



Year 3 told their audiences about Christmas traditions including the writing of the carol Silent Night which they went on to sing in English, French and German.

Year 4 performed last Thursday – 'Lights, Camel, Action, The Sequin!' This included some amazing dances and was better than the 'Strictly' final!



Well done to all our children who have performed so far. They have all been amazing and we are very proud of their achievements. We hope that mums and dads are too.

Scrooge

Year 5 and 6 are busy preparing for their performances of 'Scrooge' on Tuesday 17th December. There are still tickets available for the morning and afternoon performances but unfortunately there are no tickets left for the evening. Please contact the school office if you have not yet purchased your tickets.



Weston Christmas Lights Display

'Weston Christmas Light Display' – This is a festive charity community fundraising event, on the outskirts of Crewe which raises money for the 'Donna Louise' Children's Hospice in Trentham.



So far, through generous visitor donations they have raised a remarkable **£92,310** over the last six years, with **£26,760** raised just last December. This amazing amount of money has been raised through visitor donations (over **15,000 visitors** last December!) and has funded a variety of different projects at the hospice (i.e. sign and symbol communication workshops for nurses). The aim this year is to top the **£100,000** fundraising milestone which would be a phenomenal community achievement.

The Weston Christmas Light Display will shine bright every evening until 28th December, from 6.15pm – 9pm, at Carters Green Farm, Jack Lane, Weston, CW2 5LE. Santa will be there every Friday, Saturday, Sunday evening and each night the last week before Christmas, so families and children can enjoy their own **#SleighSelfie** with the big man himself! Everyone's welcome! Do consider a visit to support this local charity.

Uniform

It has been great to see the children in their lovely uniform this half term. They generally look very smart with school shoes and sweatshirts. As the winter comes upon us please try to keep to the uniform guidelines which are shoes and not trainers. Children may wear boots but it is good to have a pair of shoes to change in to at school to keep our floors and carpets clean. Children should have a warm coat for playtimes. We still have a **significant amount of lost property** and most of the clothing is un-named. Easy to use **name labels** can be purchased from the school office. (25 name labels for £2.50 and 5 pairs of shoe labels for £3.00) Labels can be prepared swiftly, no long wait and no postage and packing! Please think about using this service.



Application for School Places

The application round for Reception places for September 2020 closes on 15th January. If you have a child due to start school in September or know of families who have children who are eligible then please apply before this deadline.

Applications can be made online at <http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/schools/admissions/admissions.aspx> or the application can be completed over the telephone by calling 0300 123 5012.

123 Magic

A new course of 123 Magic parenting will start in the New Year, led by Mrs Bebbington and Mrs Dibbens. The dates are as follows:

Tuesday 4th Feb 13:00-15:00
 Tuesday 11th Feb 13:00-15:00
 Tuesday 25th Feb 13:00-15:00
 Tuesday 3rd Mar 13:00-15:00



Please contact the school office to add your name to the list of participants.

Parent Governor Elections

We would like to inform you that after our recent parent governor elections Mr. Steve Epps and Mrs. Nicola Batho have been elected to the posts of parent governors.

Parent Helpers

Many thanks to all parents and friends of the school who have helped out over this term. Whether it has been weekly reading, helping out on a day visit or driving to a sports competition your support is very much appreciated. If anyone wishes to help in the New Year then please contact the school office. (A DBS police check would have to be completed.)



Thank you for taking the time to read our school newsletter and for your continued support this half term.

We break for Christmas on **Wednesday 18th December** and return to start the new term on **Monday 6th January 2020**.

I would like to wish you all a very Happy Christmas.

With Kind Regards,
Justine Joule
Headteacher



Diary dates to make a note of!



Tuesday 17 th December	Y5/6 Scrooge 09:15, 14:15, 18:00
Wednesday 18th December	Children break up for Christmas Holiday
Monday 6 th January	Children return to school