

"Learning Together, Learning for Life"



Mablins Lane Community Primary School Newsletter ~ 20th May 2021

Dear Parents and Children,

Monday 17th saw some changes in the restrictions in place across the country. In terms of restrictions for us in school **THERE HAVE BEEN NO CHANGES.** The local authority have instructed us to proceed with extreme caution and are advising that the measures we currently have in place should remain until the end of the Summer Term. Therefore, there will be no adjustment to the start and end times of the day. Drop off and pick

up points will remain unchanged. Face masks will remain compulsory (unless exempt) in communal areas of the school for all adults. The children will continue to work in their year group 'bubbles' with any joint activities online. Visitors to the school will be restricted. Hand



hygiene, social distancing and ventilation will remain a high priority. Please support us with these measures in order to keep our school community safe.

Thought of the Week

A BIRD SITTING ON A TREE
IS NEVER AFRAID OF
THE BRANCH BREAKING.
BECAUSE HER TRUST IS NOT
ON THE BRANCH
BUT ON ITS OWN WINGS.
Always believe in yourself.

Our rescued bird did not give up hope. The bird is on its way out into the world. This is what we want for all our children: to be strong, brave and to make their way out in to the world.

Assemblies - shout outs last week to....

Last Friday we had our usual Friday celebration assembly including the now traditional Friday 'dance slot'.



During the assembly certificates were awarded to:

EYFS Certificates:

Leah, Sara, Harry

Year 1 Certificates:

Jaxon, Isabella, Carly

Year 2 Certificates:

Logan-Lee, Olivia, Madison

Year 3 Certificates:

Coby, Lola, Jessica

Year 4 Certificates:

Maddie, Saffron, Alfie

Year 5 Certificates:

Cian, Chloe, Connor, Kody

Year 6 Certificates:

Lilly, Luke, Mia

Residential Visits

Sadly we have had to postpone all our residential visits that we were busy planning for the summer term. Although the guidance gave the go-ahead for overnight stays in England there were tight restrictions. Our visit to Anglesey fell under Welsh regulations where overnight visits for schools are still not permitted. In England, groups have to be less than 30 children and dormitories can only hold up to a maximum of 6 people. We investigated lots of options but sadly the visits are not viable. All parents in Y2/5/6 have been informed. Refunds are being processed for monies paid. Each year group team is now working on alternate activities.



Year 2 Sponsored Obstacle Course



A huge 'Thank you', to Year 2 children for raising £124 for our Forest School area last week. They did a sponsored obstacle race and presented the Forest School teachers with a cheque last Friday. Huge thanks to all Year 2 parents for supporting this as well. ©



NEXT WEEK IN SCHOOL

Football Week - w/b 24th May



Week beginning Monday 24th June is National Football Week. During this week the children will participate in some football activities during their PE time and there will be some mini competitions in each year group at break and lunch times. On Friday 28th May we invite all children to come to school dressed in a football kit or their team colours. (No charge.)



Make a £ Grow week

MAKE A £ GROW - W/C 24TH MAY

Year 6 are looking to have a 'Make a £ Grow Week'. This will be week beginning 24th May. As the plans need to follow Covid restrictions the week will take a different format to previous years. Year groups will have allocated days/times to visit Covid safe stalls which will be set up in the school hall, please see timetable below. Whilst the challenge will still be to make the £ grow, we understand that the growth may be restricted and profits will be reduced on this occasion.

TIMETABLE MAKE A £ GROW

Tuesday 25th May Yr4 & Yr5
Thursday 27th May Yr2 & Yr3
Friday 28th May EYFS & Yrl





We have been kindly donated this lovely crotched hippo from our Chair of Governors, Kathryn Stringer. We are selling raffle tickets to staff, parents and children at a £1.00 each to raise additional money for the Year 6 make a £1.00 grow. Please send money into school in an envelope marked **HARRIET HIPPO**, many thanks ©

Royal Mail Heroes Stamp Competition





REGISTER

Enter the Heroes Stamp Design Competition

Honouring the heroes of the coronavirus pandemic... on stamps









Team Mablins have been busy in school designing their 'HEROES' Stamp Design Competition entries for the Royal Mail competition! We are super impressed with the designs so far.







Internet Safety

We have been made aware of an increased risk of children being groomed on social media sites, some of which are regularly used by our children including:-

- TikTok
- WhatsApp
- Facebook
- Roblox
- Fortnite

BE AWARE OF WHO CHILDREN ARE TALKING TOO

We recommend that you check your child's security settings and are aware of what games and social media apps your child is using. Also to be aware of who they are talking to and gaming with online. If we are made aware of any safeguarding concerns involving our children we are now required to log it with the police via 101, so that social media platforms can be made more accountable for the safety of their users.

If you become aware that your child is chatting online or being followed by someone they do not know, the advice from the police is to block the unknown user and report it to the social media platform. If you have any concerns about internet safety please contact school and ask to speak to Tracey Dibbens.

DOJO



We have used the Dojo system in school for

some time now. Children receive dojos for positive outcomes. This may be good work, good behaviour, kind manners etc. Parents have access to the system at home and can readily see the positive aspects of their child' day.

The dojo system is also good for communicating quickly with each class teacher **BUT** please can we remind parents that:

- Dojo communication should be about positive things.
- Teachers will not respond out of general school hours
- If there is an important message for the class teacher then this should go via email to the year group email address or direct to the school office.
- Absence should be reported to the absence line.

Please keep your communication positive in order for us to celebrate children's success. For those parents that don't use dojo positively we will remove their login details from the dojo system.

Behaviour

We have noticed that some behaviour standards have dropped since the children returned to school. It is generally the little things like good manners and holding doors open. We have spent some time in school revisiting the behaviour policy and reminding the children about these aspects. We would appreciate the support of parents by reinforcing this at home. Thank you.

CLEANER Vacancy - Mablins Lane

PART TIME CLEANER

A vacancy has arisen on our school cleaning team. The position is for 10 hours per week at the end of the school day. Please see the school website for application details. The closing date for this post is 12 noon on Friday 28th June 2021.

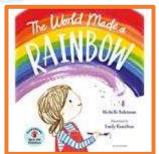
ARK WEEK

8th-11th June 2021

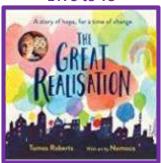
Theme... Fun, Hope and

Togetherness!





EYFS to Y3



Y4 to Y6

We are planning to have the next ARK 'Act of Random Kindness' week after May ½ term, week beginning the 7th June (INSET Day) Tuesday 8th to 11th June.

EYFS to Y3 will be exploring the book 'The World Made a Rainbow' which reflects on the year that we and children have had. We want it to be a positive week with lessons full of fun and hope for the future!

Y4 to Y6 will be looking at the book 'The Great Realisation', which is a poetry story of the past year...this is a book of a celebration of the many things —

from simple acts of kindness, to applauding the heroic efforts of our key workers that have brought us together at a time of global crisis.

As a part of this week we would like each child to write a **'hope' message** for the future! On Friday 11th June we would like children to come to school dressed in non-uniform/a rainbow colour for a small donation ©



END OF YEAR PLANS

Due to the uncertain nature of Covid restrictions and the English weather we have booked a large marquee for the end of the Summer Term. This will allow each year group to have a day where we can invite parents to school for an end of year celebration 'outdoors', but under cover. (It will shield the sun or rain!!)

Each year group is busy planning their event. We will release a calendar of dates before half term so that parents can plan ahead.

Year 6 will have end of year 'Leavers' event and again we are just confirming dates and logistics to be as safe as possible.

We are currently discussing the logistics of holding a sports day and as it stands we are looking at an in-house sports festival, where the children can get involved in a variety of sports. At this point we do not feel that we would be able to manage a large crowd of spectators. As ever we will keep you informed and will endeavour to do what is safest and best at the time.

Tablets Update

All classes in Y3/4/5 have now received and set up their tablets. They continue to have a positive



impact on learning with children using them widely throughout the day. Please do get in touch with us if you need any support with tablets on:-

deputy@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk

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

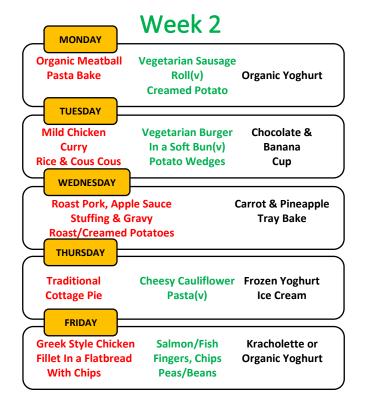
Please can we remind parents about the Cheshire East epayments system. Payments for school meals **should** where possible be made online via the

Cheshire East School Epayments Portal

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

School Lunches

Next week the menu will be:



Start and End of the School Day

These are the start and end of day times for children this term.

EYFS start 8.50am finish 3.00pm Year 1 start 8.45am finish 3.10pm Year 2 start 8.45am finish 3.10pm start 8.45am Year 3 finish 3.10pm Year 4 start 8.30am finish 3.00pm Year 5 start 8.30am finish 3.00pm start 8.30am finish 3.00pm Year 6

We ask that everyone use the correct entrances and exits and is respectful of social distancing. Please do not arrive early before the allocated times, and please help to keep everybody safe by exiting swiftly at the end of the day.

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.





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

Our year group email addresses are still operational. Please use ONLY the following email addresses to contact your child's class teacher. They will respond during the school working hours of between 9.00am and 4.30pm, please note that many of the teachers are still in school and teaching key worker children.

eyfs@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk
year1@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk
year2@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk
year3@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk
year4@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk
year5@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk
year6@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk

SCHOOL DROP OFF AND PICK UP



Keep entrance clear of stationary vehicles, even if picking up or setting down children

Highway Code

REMINDER OF THE MESSAGE FROM PCSO's from Oct 2020. This week we are giving a further



reminder to parents about the 'Yellow Zig Zag' markings outside school. They are there as a safety measure. Please note: "It is unlawful to park on the 'Yellow Zig Zag' marking outside a school. This includes stopping to drop off." We have noticed that many parents are stopping to drop off on these markings — THIS IS AGAINST THE LAW. The PCSO's will continue to visit randomly and intermittently and will issue tickets, so be warned.

Places to park:

8 Farmers Pub; Lisa has informed us that parents / guardians are welcome to use the car park at school drop off and pick up times.

Bradfield Road end of Mablins Lane; Park your car lawfully, leaving enough space for other vehicles and pedestrians to pass.

Data Collection

Please can we remind parents to ensure that contact details are up to date and that any change in medical conditions are passed on to the School Office.

LOCKDOWN GUIDANCE:

The guidance changed on Monday 17th May.

From 17 May: You should continue to work from home if you can. When travelling within the UK, you should aim to do so safely and plan your journey in advance. You should <u>get a test</u> and follow the <u>stay at home guidance</u> if you have COVID-19 symptoms.

- Gathering limits will be eased. Outdoor gatherings will be limited to 30 people and indoor gatherings will be limited to 6 people or 2 households (each household can include a support bubble, if eligible).
- New guidance on meeting friends and family will emphasise personal responsibility rather than government rules. Instead of instructing you to stay 2m apart from anyone you don't live with, you will be encouraged to exercise caution and consider the guidance on risks associated with COVID-19 and actions you can take to help keep you and your loved ones safe. Remember that the risks of close contact may be greater for some people than others and in some settings and circumstances; there will be specific guidance that you will need to follow even when you are with friends and family.

Further guidance can be found by using the link: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-coronavirus-restrictions-what-you-can-and-cannot-do

Take care and look after yourselves.

With kind regards,
Justine Joule – Headteacher



for your **School Dates for Your Diary**

w/c 24 May	Make a £ Grow Week
w/c 24 May	Football Week
28 May	Non-uniform – football kits/team colours
28 May	Break up for ½ term
7 June	Inset Day – school closed for children
8 June	Children return to school
w/c 8 June	ARK Week
11 June	Non-uniform – Rainbow colours – small
	donation
20 July	Last Day of School Year