

## Mablins Lane Community Primary School Newsletter ~ 23rd January 2019

Dear Parents and Children,

The children have settled back into school really well and last week enjoyed the e-safety workshops.



The feedback from children was very positive and they learnt about staying safe in a practical and in a fun way.

### Safety Online

Many children (and adults) will have received games and electronic devices for Christmas gifts recently. As part of our ongoing work to promote Keeping Safe Online, I would like to remind you of the helpful and informative resources which can be found in the 'Share Aware' section of the NSPCC website.

This campaign is aimed at helping parents to keep their child safe on social networks. The campaign is particularly relevant for parents of children aged 8-12 and aims to give information and advice in a straightforward and no nonsense manner. I am providing the hyperlink below for your information:  
<http://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/share-aware/>

Please check the e-safety section of our school website for more helpful websites and information about online safety.

Can we also remind parents that the game Fortnite is a 12+ game.

### Cold Weather/Gritting School Paths

With the cold weather that we are currently experiencing could we please ask that parents and children to stick to the gritted pathways around the school site. In periods of extreme weather, schools are given specific instructions to clear snow and put grit down to allow access for children. We would really appreciate it if parents could support us with this.

During the cold weather could we ask that parents allow more time to arrive with children in school? We are increasingly having children turn up late and receiving late marks. The school gates close at 9.00am sharp and any child arriving after this time is given a late mark.

The School has a clear procedure to follow in the event of snow/inclement weather. Please check our school website where information will be posted, parents can also check online at:

[Cheshire East Winter Weather – Schools and Leisure Information](#)

[Radio Stoke Winter Weather – Schools Information](#)

### School Times

We have recently updated our school prospectus please take a look on the school website at:  
[www.mablinslaneschool.co.uk](http://www.mablinslaneschool.co.uk).

This booklet informs parents about important key school information.

Please see below for school times:

**8.45am Classroom doors open**  
**9.00am Registration and lessons begin**  
**10.30am Morning break EYFS/KS1**

10.50am Morning Break for KS2  
12.00pm KS1 Lunch  
12.15pm KS2 Lunch  
2.15pm Afternoon break for EYFS/KS1  
3.15pm End of School

### Rainbows Pre-School at Mabllins Lane

Our new 'Rainbows' pre-school children have settled really well and are enjoying all the lovely activities and new resources. If you have a pre-school child and would be interested in joining the pre-school then we would love to hear from you. The number of places will be limited and we expect them to fill up very quickly. If you are interested in using this new facility then please contact the school office. We will then pass on the details to Rainbows. We intend to work in very close collaboration with Rainbows and there will be lots of good transition and shared opportunities for pupils accessing the provision. Parents should be advised that funding can be split between providers and therefore any number of sessions can be booked.



### Clubs

After school clubs will take place during the Spring Term. Some clubs will continue from last term whilst there may be some new clubs that begin. Sports clubs may also run linked to the competitions taking place over the next term. Please be mindful of specific letters and text messages regarding the clubs for individual year groups. If you have any queries then please contact the school office who hold lists of all the clubs. Thank you.

### Maths 'Fun' Week in School – 11<sup>th</sup> to 15th March

Fun Maths week will take place in school from the 11<sup>th</sup> to the 15th March. The main focus will be raising the profile and enjoyment of maths. Throughout the week teachers will plan special lessons that link maths with other curriculum areas, set challenges and the children will take part in problem solving workshops. Parents are invited into school on Wednesday 13th March for a maths stay and play. The morning session will take place from 9.15am to 10.15am and the afternoon session will take place from 2.00pm to 2.50pm.



### World Down Syndrome Day – Wear odd socks!



It's time to dig out your odd socks for another year as we get ready to celebrate World Down Syndrome Day on 21st March 2019! Cheshire Down's Syndrome Support Group are inviting Mabllins Lane to join the award winning big gingerbread biscuit sale to celebrate. We will be selling gingerbread socks for 50p during morning play.

### Car Parking



A plea again about parking safely near to school. We have had several complaints recently about parking over people's drives and too close to junctions. Please be considerate and safe when dropping children off.

Recently we have had parents reporting other parents being verbally aggressive and one parent recently had their windscreen slapped by another parent. We work very closely with the local PSCO's and our children's school safety council. If parents are experiencing difficulties on the highways and pavements outside of the school perimeter then as a school we have no jurisdiction and any complaints of anti-social behaviour must be reported to the police via 101.

### School Visits

Staff are planning many exciting trips and visits to support the learning for pupils across the school. Please can we remind parents that payment for trips should be made before the trip takes place. We have a number of cases where children have attended the trip and parents have still not paid. The cost of trips is based on the numbers attending – school cannot make any profit. Non-payment means that the school foots the rest of the bill which takes away money for vital resources. Payment can always be made in instalments and where there is financial hardship we are always happy to discuss options with parents. Please do get in contact to discuss options.

## PTA NEWS

### Movie Night - Tickets now on Sale!



We are currently selling tickets to the planned 'Movie' night on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> February. Tickets cost £2 and can be purchased from the main school office.

EYFS movie Peter Rabbit – straight from school until 5pm, collect from Main School Entrance.

Year 1, 2 & 3 movie Sing-a-long Greatest Showman – straight from school until 5:15pm collect from entrance nearest the Main Hall.

Year 4, 5 & 6 movie Sing-a-long Greatest Showman – 5:30pm until 7:15pm drop off and collect from the entrance nearest the Main Hall.

### Fashion Show – Tickets £5 on sale from the school office



## Sickness and Diarrhoea Advice

Parents are advised that children should remain absent from school until they are symptom free for 48 hours. For more information please refer to:

[www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school](http://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school)



## Parent Volunteers

A huge thank you to our team of dedicated parent volunteers who come into school on a regular basis to support our children in a variety of ways.

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

With Kind Regards,  
Justine Joule  
Headteacher

## Diary dates to make a note of for Spring Term!

|                |                                                |  |
|----------------|------------------------------------------------|--|
| 29 January     | All Class Photographs                          |  |
| 4 February     | Y6 SATs practice week                          |  |
| 5 February     | Safer Internet Day                             |  |
| 5 February     | Y2 parents meeting/Beeston                     |  |
| 5 February     | Y2 Stay & Make – Chinese New Year              |  |
| 7 February     | PTA Movie Night                                |  |
|                | 3.15pm - 5pm EYFS                              |  |
|                | 3.15pm - 5:15pm YR 1, 2, 3                     |  |
|                | 5.30pm - 7:15pm YR 4, 5, 6                     |  |
| 11 February    | Y4 parents meeting /Anglesey                   |  |
| 11 February    | Y1 White Snow Day                              |  |
| 12 February    | Young Voices – Manchester Arena/School choir   |  |
| 14 February    | <b>SCHOOL CLOSURES – February Half Term</b>    |  |
| 15 February    | <b>INSET DAY –school closed for children</b>   |  |
| 25 February    | <b>SCHOOL OPENS</b>                            |  |
| 26/27 February | Parents evenings – 3.30pm to 6.30pm            |  |
|                | appointments will be available online shortly. |  |
| 28 February    | PTA Fashion Show – 6.30pm                      |  |
| 1 March        | School Council Trip to Parliament              |  |
| 5 March        | Y5 Viking Workshop                             |  |
| 6/7/8 March    | Y2 Residential to Beeston                      |  |
| 11- 15 March   | Maths Week in school                           |  |
| 13 March       | Maths Stay and Play for parents                |  |
| 15 March       | Red Nose Day                                   |  |
| 21 March       | World Down Syndrome Day                        |  |
| 25 – 1 March   | Kindness Week                                  |  |
| 27 March       | YR3 Bramhall Trip                              |  |
| 27/28/29 March | Y4 Residential to Anglesey                     |  |
| 5 April        | <b>SCHOOL CLOSURES – for Easter</b>            |  |
| 23 April       | <b>INSET DAY – school closed for children</b>  |  |
| 24 April       | <b>SCHOOL OPENS</b>                            |  |