

Mablins Lane Community Primary School Newsletter ~ 17th December 2021

Dear Parents and Children

I would like to wish all our families a wonderful 'Festive Season'. We have had a very busy time in school, but hopefully the children will have all had fun and learnt lots about Christmas traditions along the way.

Thought of the Week



Take some time out from the frantic, Christmas Flurry, to just stop and enjoy the awe and wonder that is Christmas.

Assembly Shout Outs



We didn't have an assembly last Friday as Santa was visiting the school. These are the 'Shout Outs' for the last week of term. Well done to all children who have received a certificate over the Autumn Term. Everyone has been deserving and it is always a difficult task for the teachers to choose just one person.

Our final assembly is a celebration of the terms work, plus lots of singing and dancing!

Certificates were awarded as follows:

Rainbow Room

We would like to award our Shout Out to all the children that have visited the Rainbow Room this term, for engaging in all the activities and always trying your best.

EYFS

We would like all of our classes for awards this week. For having an amazing start to school, working hard and always making us smile.

Year 1

GK - Ellie H, for working so hard with her maths work and getting a super score in her puma maths test.

SG – The whole Class for being amazing this autumn term! Well done have a lovely Christmas xx

AG -Zach B, for being such a kind and helpful member of the class. He will definitely be on Santa's 'nice' list 😊

Year 2

TH – Whole class for working hard this term and having lots of fun in this last week before Christmas.

CI/JMc – Lara for working hard and being very helpful to the other children this week

EF- Lilly-May for lighting up our classroom with her beautiful smile!

Year 3

JE - A shout out goes to my whole class this week for giving me a wonderful autumn term in year 3. They have all worked so hard this term and all

deserve a celebration and shout out. I wish them a lovely Christmas break.

SW - This week I would like to give the award to Emily. Emily has proved time and time again what a star she is. I could give an award to her weekly!

Emily works extremely hard, is a wonderful and supportive friend and an absolute pleasure to teach

JM - My certificate this week is for Elizabeth Childs-Renwicks for working hard all week and trying her best writing Christmas poems.

Year 4

GMCD - Carin he has had a brilliant first term in year 4, he applies himself well to all his work, has worked very hard during our recent assessments and is generally a happy, enthusiastic member of the class who is a pleasure to teach.

4SJH - Yvie for her incredible attitude towards learning. Since September we have seen Yvie's love for learning blossom. Merry Christmas love Year 4

4EC - This week's star award goes to Sidra for her super writing in her hot task. Sidra has produced an excellent debate about two Olympians.

Year 5

5CP - Izzy is my star of the week for her beautiful duet with Mia during our Christmas Carol performance after school this week! Well done 😊

Y5RL - This week's superstars are **Imogen** for working super hard to catch up on her assessments and for doing a brilliant job on all of them!

Amie for some creative lyrics to her version of the 'Twas the Night before Christmas' poem, well done!

Y5AD - Whole class for superb effort and collaboration in writing their Christmas poems and all their other Christmas activities. I am so proud of them all.

Year 6

Y6 SB/SJ - Our special person this week is Tristan, in Forest School this week his behaviour was outstanding. He was patient, helpful and polite with some of his other peers during the craft activities and the ball game activities.

Well done Tristan!

Y6/IM - This week's certificate goes to Jake he has been a valued and helpful member of the class and this year's Sports Council. He has given up much of his own time to help with, organise and prepare sports equipment for lessons and the PE sheds.



CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

Christmas Outdoor Learning



All classes and year groups have experienced an outdoor Christmas learning day. All children have sat around the fire and toasted a marshmallow. They have all made a natural decoration and played some Christmas games. It has been great to see the children having fun in the outdoors. Many thanks to Mrs Earley and Mrs Manning for the meticulous planning of each day's activities. It takes an incredible amount of preparation, but it has all been worth it to see the enjoyment from the children.





Christmas Singing

All year groups have now sung a short repertoire of Christmas songs to end the school day. It has been lovely that our children can be singing again even if this does have to take place outdoors! Thanks to Mrs Brown for working with the children in their music lessons. It has been great, but we hope that we will be able to have some indoor performances again soon.



Christmas Lunch

Joy and the kitchen team made a delicious lunch for EYFS and KS1 on Thursday last week and then again for KS2 on Friday. Most children tucked in to a full turkey dinner with all the trimmings followed by ice cream or cake. There was a highly recommended vegetarian option which was also well received. Many thanks to the kitchen ladies, over 400 hot lunches were served over the 2 days!

Santa Visit

All classes had the opportunity to visit Santa at the end of last week. He took time out of his busy schedule to speak to all the children checking what they would like him to deliver to their homes on Christmas Eve. There was much excitement as Santa had brought the snow with him and also a small gift for everybody. We would like to thank the PTA for organizing with Santa to bring these presents.





School Council/Earth Heroes

MABLINS LANE EARTH HEROES



NEED YOUR 1 LITRE OR 2 LITRE
PLASTIC BOTTLES
WASHED OUT, LABEL REMOVED,
CAP ON
FOR A 3D FLOWER ART PROJECT
ON THE 5TH JANUARY 2022

The Earth Heroes are collecting 1 litre and 2 litre plastic bottles for a recycled art project that all the children are going to take part in after Christmas.

Could you please send any 1litre and 2litre bottles into school, ideally it would be great if they are washed out, label removed but we need the cap left on!



Your support with this will be really appreciated 😊

Whole School Global ARK Work 2 Day Art Project

Wed 5th / Thurs 6th January
(First two days of term)

**CAN ALL CHILDREN COME
DRESSED IN OLD
NON UNIFORM CLOTHES**

The whole School are taking part in a 2 day art project as part of our Global ARK work and will get a little messy! It's taking place on the first two days of the new term.

MABLINS LANE EARTH HEROES



**WANT YOUR EMPTY
CRISP PACKETS**



We will be collecting empty crisp packets in January to support the crisp packet project where they make sleeping bags for the homeless with used crisp packets. Ideally drop your crisp bags into school where we will have a large cardboard box for these to be put into, they need to be washed out and cut open!

Naz - Deputy Head Girl's
WRAPPING PAPER
Sculpture Competition



During the Christmas break
 we would like if you could join our competition
 and use any spare wrapping paper to make a 3D
 animal sculpture. It will cost 50p to enter
 and there will be prizes!



Recycle, Reuse and Reduce this Christmas –
 Naz would like children in school to use used
 Christmas wrapping paper or left over
 wrapping paper and make a 3D animal
 Sculpture with it!

To enter your animal sculpture will be 50p
 and all funds raised will go to our
 sustainability school fund. There are 3 prizes
 to be won, please see below!

**Entries to be bought into school by
 Friday 7th January, judging will take
 place at 12 noon on the 7th January!**
GOOD LUCK

Love Naz xx



1st Prize - SLOTH

A large 30cm Soft Plush Sloth
 made from recycled plastic
 bottles, an eco-friendly cuddly
 gift.



2nd Prize -TURTLE

A medium 30cm Soft Plush Sea
 Turtle made from recycled plastic
 bottles, an eco-friendly cuddly gift.



3rd Prize – SEAL

A small 28cm Soft Plush Seal made from recycled plastic
 bottles, an eco-friendly cuddly gift.



The School will be offering a free Christmas tree
 shredding service on FRIDAY 7th January!

We WANT your Christmas trees to convert into useful
 woodchip mulch for our Forest School Area by putting it
 through a shredder.

Please drop your unwanted and used real Christmas
 trees to school (there will be an area at the front of

school by the main reception area to drop them off at) on Wed 5th/Thursday 6th and Friday 7th for shredding!

The Earth Heroes would love lots of support with this!



Cheshire East Library Winter Mini Reading Challenge



It's getting chilly! Time to wrap up warm and join the #WildWorldHeroes on their winter adventure. The @readingagency have teamed up with @WWF_UK again for the #WinterMiniChallenge. Children can visit [winter-mini-challenge-2021](https://www.wildworldheroes.co.uk/winter-mini-challenge-2021) to log their reading, play games and win rewards.



Inappropriate games at playtime - Squid Games! ☹

We have lots of children in school pretending to play squid games during playtimes, even children in EYFS! This is really upsetting other children and it is not appropriate for children so young! If your child is aware of this programme can you please talk to them and discourage them from playing these games, we would really appreciate your support with this as we return to school in the New Year!

Christmas Holiday Activities

ASM Sports are delighted to confirm that they will be hosting a Holiday Club at [Beechwood Primary School](#) & [Leighton Academy](#) during the Christmas Holidays from [December 20-23](#). The club will be open to 4-11 year olds and provide children with an opportunity to

remain active, develop new skills whilst experiencing a diverse range of activities within a safe environment. Places will be open to Parent Paid bookings and those who are eligible for Free School Meals. Parents can secure their child's place through our MyASM portal – an easy and efficient way to map out your childcare.

Free Places!

The Holiday Activities & Food (HAF) programme provides children who are eligible for Free School Meals with the opportunity to access provision for 32 hours across 4 days, and a nutritious Packed Lunch will be provided for all FSM children.

Our Programme! (Please note that a selection of these options will be delivered)

Archery Arts & Crafts Athletics Basketball Boxercise Badminton
Circus Skills Cricket Dance Dodgeball Football Frisbee Golf Gymnastics
Handball Hockey Lacrosse Netball Orienteering Rounders Scoot Skills
Softball Tag-Rugby Team Building Tennis Tri-Golf

How To Book?

Website: <https://asmsports.co.uk/>

Link: myasm.co.uk/log-in

See You There! [Team ASM Sports](#)

COVID

Unfortunately the situation is not improving and the arrival of a new variant brings further issues and concerns. We currently have six children out of school because they have received a positive PCR. (At the time of writing.) We also have two children waiting for PCR results. One member of staff is currently absent due to Covid reasons.

Current guidance states:

- **If your child does show any symptoms at all then please do not send them in to school. This includes heavy colds and headaches.**
- **If anybody in your house receives a positive result then please follow current guidance on isolation (5 days). Do not come to school if you are positive.**
- **The advice is for families to take twice weekly LFT tests where possible to enable positive cases to be identified earlier.**
- **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.**

At all times we advise caution
and consideration.

FACE MASKS – The rules around face coverings has changed so that they are compulsory in shops and on public transport.

ANYBODY ENTERING THE
SCHOOL BUILDING TO VISIT THE
SCHOOL OFFICE MUST WEAR A
FACE COVERING.



WE ENCOURAGE FAMILIES TO
WEAR A FACE COVERING
WHILST ON SITE.

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.

ONE WAY SYSTEM IN OPERATION

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 leave a message and we will then operate our positive reporting plan.

Reporting Absences

If your child is sick, please report the absence to the School Office by either leaving a message **with a reason for the absence** on the School Sick Line or speaking to someone in the office. The telephone number is 01270 749908.



Applying for a School Place for September 2022

From September 2021, you will be able to make applications to start school in reception for September 2022

To find out more about the application process, please visit the Cheshire East Council website at:

[Cheshire East School Admissions](#)

Application deadlines

Primary (reception): 15 January 2022

Lost Property

The Lost Property Box is situated in the foyer outside the school office. All the items are now hanging on a clothes rail so it's easier to find lost belongings. All the items are unnamed. Please label your child's uniform by writing on the label or 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. This will help to significantly reduce our lost property pile. PLEASE SEE THE SCHOOL OFFICE.

**NAME LABELS AVAILABLE
TO PURCHASE FROM THE
SCHOOL OFFICE**

SCHOOL LUNCH

The School Council/Earth Heroes have met and written to Joy and asked if the School canteen can offer 'Meat Free Mondays' after Christmas to children having a hot school lunch. We will be trialling this scheme from Monday 10th January, and we will let you know how this goes! 😊



Week 1

MONDAY

Homemade Cheese & Tomato Pizza (v)	Vege Chilli & Potato One Pot Bake (v)	Fresh Fruit Platter or Organic Yoghurt
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TUESDAY

Organic Beef Meatballs, Pasta & Tomato Sauce	Jacket Potato with a Choice of Filling/s (v)	Fresh Fruit Platter Or Fruity Flapjack
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WEDNESDAY

Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Gravy, Roast / Creamed Potatoes	Shortbread & Fruit Chunk
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THURSDAY

Homemade Keema Cottage Pie	Cheesy Cauliflower Pasta (v)	Fresh Fruit Platter or Dorset Apple Cake
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FRIDAY

Chicken Korma Curry with Rice & Cous Cous	Fish or Salmon Fish Fingers with Chips	Fresh Fruit Platter or Chocolate Oatie Biscuit or Yoghurt
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JOY'S NOTICEBOARD

Click on the [new school lunch menus](#) link to see the new menu choice.

[Pictures of the school menus](#) are now on the website.

EYFS,Y1 & 2 ENTITLED TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS
Y3,4,5 & 6 MEALS COST £2.40
PLEASE PAY IN ADVANCE VIA THE
[CHESHIRE EAST EPAYMENT](#)

And Finally

I hope that you all have a lovely Christmas break. Please stay safe and well and we look forward to seeing everybody back at school in January.

School re-opens on
WEDNESDAY 5TH JANUARY 2022

Please do not return to school if you have tested positive on an LFT or PCR test. Do not return if you are showing any symptoms – seek a test immediately. Please advise us of the reason for absence.

*Enjoy the last few days before
Christmas everyone.*



With kind regards

Justine Joule – Headteacher