

"Learning Together, Learning for Life"



Mablins Lane Community Primary School Newsletter ~ 28th January 2022

Dear Parents and Children,

A challenging week to say the least but thanks to our combined school community for their understanding, cooperation and resilience in dealing with the situation. Unfortunately due the number of cases reported at the end of the week and over the weekend it became clear that operating the school as we would normally do was going to be very difficult. As the Covid line began to ring repeatedly on Monday morning we knew that we needed to operate our outbreak plan in order to maintain the safety and well-being of children and staff. Communication happened quickly and by 09:15 Year 1 had been closed to all pupils, learning had been transferred on-line and plans were in place to support families with technology and meal vouchers.

All other year groups had adequate staffing and were operating safely. An enhanced cleaning regime was put back in place and all children were reminded about Covid hygiene.

I was able to coordinate this from home, but must thank Mrs Wagstaffe, SLT, the Office team, site team and particularly Mrs Giera from the Y1 Team who were on site and able to operate the plans.

Unfortunately I am still testing positive and will not be returning to work until next Monday. Due to the outbreak situation please can I urge families to test children regularly and not send them in to school if they receive a positive LFT or have any symptoms. Parents have been reporting cold like symptoms but also headache, vomiting and high temperature.

We must all play our part in trying to contain the virus and reduce the spread.

Year 1 update for parents

This message has also been sent on an email to all Year 1 parents this morning.

Dear 1 Parents,

Many thanks for your understanding and patience this week during the Y1 closure.

We have seen many of you online so the children have been able to access some of their lessons which is great.

I am pleased to say that Y1 will **re-open on Monday 31**st **January.**

Unfortunately not all staff will be able to return to school on Monday but the staffing will be as follows:

Teachers – Mrs Giera, Mrs Kavanagh (who covers PPA for the Year group), Mrs Smith (regular supply at Mablins who knows the children)

Support staff - Mrs Irvine, Miss Smith, Miss Wood

We are hoping that Mrs King, Mrs Gaunt and Mrs Gorman are soon recovered and not testing positive and will return during the week.

If your child has had a positive test then please follow the guidance to test from day 5. When 2 consecutive negative results are received 24 hours apart then a return to school is permitted. If results are still positive once day 10 is passed a return is possible regardless. Please test your child regularly. Consider potential 'hot spots' and maintain social distance if possible. Any symptoms, including sickness, should be addresses with an LFT.

Many thanks,

Justine Joule

Thought of the Week



Assembly Shout Outs



Certificates for this week were awarded as follows:

EYFS

Aria, Jack and Aston

Year 1

Mrs Giera would like to give the certificate this week to all year 1 children who joined in online lessons this week! Although, we couldn't see you at school this week, you all have done amazing work at home. Thank you to your parents as well who have been very patient with Mrs Giera, when her computer decided to stop working at some point, and supported you all way through! Well done year 1! You all are super stars :

Year 2

Lois, Freya and Alice

Year 3

Isaac, Emily and Alfie

Year 4

Tinaye, Ava-Lily and

This week Miss Gaffney and Mr Thompson who is covering for Mr McD are choosing the whole class because they were incredible and inspirational when the BBC visited on Wednesday. We are unbelievably proud of their attitudes towards learning, fantastic listening, marvellous manners and outstanding behaviour!

Mrs Wagstaffe was blown away by how mature and respectful they were, especially considering they did not having their usual teacher in class.

We couldn't be more proud of the children! They did Mablins proud!

You all rock!!!

Year 5

Bella E, Maddie and The whole class for working hard, being so helpful and considerate to others in Miss Dennigan's absence....Mrs Weston and Mrs Kemp are super proud of you all ©

Year 6

Billy, Quinnton and Scarlett

Rainbow Room

The RR award this week goes to someone who has surprised themselves with their own success. He concentrated and persevered in his fine motor session and the results were amazing!

Well done Archie Harrop ①

Humanities Week



This week the focus across the school has been humanities. All children have been involved in history and geography based activities linked by the theme of music and dance. There has been some great line dancing by Y6 and lots of music.

We absolutely LOVED their line dancing in this morning's assembly $\ensuremath{\mathfrak{G}}$





Y3 History Workshop

As part of Humanities week Y3 have taken part in a history Egyptian workshop. They had a great time learning all about life in Egypt. They also shared their Egyptian dancing in assembly this morning and we all learnt some new moves, thanks to Year 3 ©.













BBC Filming

On Wednesday Y4GMc welcomed a very small film crew from the BBC News who had contacted us as they are currently making a film about people from Hong Kong who have moved to the UK



in the past year on the government's BNO visa scheme. One of the children of the families they are featuring attends our school, and is in Year 4 GMc class. This short documentary will be broadcast on national and international TV, Radio and Online platforms for the BBC in the spring.

After thorough planning and risk assessment we were pleased that this could go ahead and the children (and staff) were very excited to be part of the filming.

We will provide information when we have the date for the airing of the programme.

Crisp Packet Collection



A huge thank you to Sam, Juliet and their cousin Savannah's Grandma for collecting, cleaning, cutting and drying 618 crisp packets for our appeal! She has been saving these over the past 3 years to recycle with Walkers but there were no recycling boxes nearby so she has sent them into us. A big thanks also to Grandad Kemp for eating the crisps! It takes 75 crisp packets to make one sleeping bag for the homeless so 8 sleeping bags will be made from their kind donation.

Many Thanks

COVID Update

Unfortunately the situation in school is as bad as it has ever been.

We currently have **58 children** out of school because they have received a positive test. (At the time of writing.) **Twelve** members of staff are also currently absent due to positive Covid results.

We also have a number of Children not in school because they have a positive case at home and are isolating. We have temporarily re-instated the 5 day isolation restriction. If there is a positive case in any household, we ask that you keep all family members at home for 5 days to reduce the risk of transmission. We thank you for your support.

We are working with the Local Authority and Public health and are monitoring the situation. A review meeting will be held on Friday to determine the next steps for Y1. We will notify parents of the plans going forward as soon as we can.

PLEASE HELP EVERYBODY TO SAFE AND FOLLOW THIS GUIDANCE.

FACE MASKS — All staff will continue to wear a face covering in communal areas of the school. Visitors are being kept to an absolute minimum and year groups are working independently.

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. **PLEASE DO NOT SEND A MESSAGE VIA CLASS DOJO** as this can be missed from the reporting log.

Reporting Absences

If your child is sick or absent for any non-Covid reason, 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.



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

Kind regards, Mrs Justine Joule

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

Week 2 **MONDAY** Ratatouille Homemade Cheese, Fresh Fruit Platter Ravioli Potato & Onion Pie or with Beans (v) Organic Yoghurt (v) **TUESDAY** Fresh Fruit Southern Style **Ouorn Korma with** & Tomato Pizza (v) Rice & Cous Cous (v) Platter or Fruit Crumble & Custard WEDNESDAY **Butchers Pork** Fresh Fruit Platter or Sausage & **Tomato Chocolate Surprise** Mash Potato Pasta (v) **Brownie THURSDAY** Cajun Chicken Slider Fresh Fruit Platter Cheese or Fruit Sponge with Paprika Toastie with **Potatoes** & Custard vegetable sticks (v) **FRIDAY** Vegetarian Spaghetti Organic Yoghurt **Battered Fish Fillet** Bolognese with or Ginger Biscuit with Fruit Chunk Garlic Bread (v) with Chips