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Newsletter Autumn Term 2022



Dear Parents

Welcome Back

I would like to give a warm welcome back to all our children and families after a well-earned summer holiday. I hope that you all took advantage of the break and now feel refreshed and ready to face the challenges of the new school year. We had some lovely hot, dry weather and I hope that you all made the most of it. I hope that you had a summer to remember.

Drop off and collection

We sent out a letter in July, and again last weekend, explaining the start and end of the day procedures. We would like to thank our parents for supporting us.

There have been many 'eager beavers' who have arrived at school early and raring to go! Thank you. Members of SLT and the Teaching Team have been around to help out with directions and guidance.

Just to clarify, the gates will open each day at **08:30** (Orchard and Parkers Road). The Orchard gate closes at 08:55 and Parkers Road is closed at 09:00. After this time pupils must be brought to the main entrance where they can be 'signed in' and admitted via the office. Doors for each year group are open as follows:

EYFS – 08:50 - 09:00, Year 1 – 08:45 - 08:55, Year 2 – 08:45 - 08:55, Year 3 – 08:40 - 08:50, Year 4 – 08:40 - 08:50, Year 5 – 08:30 - 08:40, Year 6 – 08:30 - 08:40.

Please try to stick to these times slots. Again, once the year group door is closed the children will need to be taken to the main entrance. If your child is late, bring your child to the main door where the office will sign your child in to school and they will be taken to their 'year group'. It can be very unsettling for children if they miss the start of the day and repeated late marks will trigger a call from the Education Welfare Officer.

In order to ensure the Health and Safety of all our children please remember that if your child will be absent, the school should be contacted by 9.15am. We may phone after this time in order to clarify the situation if your child has not arrived in school and we have not had notification otherwise. On return to school, please can you make sure that we have had communication to explain the reason for your child's absence, in order for the office to accurately maintain our attendance records.

End of the day procedures now see every year group, with the exception of Y6, exiting via doors on to the playground. This should help parents who have multiple collections to make. Pupils in Year 5 and Year 6 may walk home independently as long as we have written permission from parents. Please bear with the staff whilst they get to know the new families – our main aim is to keep all children as safe as possible.

We have had a number of requests regarding a 'Family Collection' at the end of the day. After much consideration around the logistics, this is not something we will be introducing at the current time. Neither can pupils be collected from reception at the end of the day unless there are exceptional circumstances. If you are having difficulties with collection then please contact me to discuss the problem directly. Thank you.



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New starters

I would like to give a special welcome to: Amir Bailey, April Bailey, Gracie Garner, Aoife-Marie Higgins, Joe Pouk, Aaron Thomas, Hannah Thomas and Daisy-May Wootton who are joining our school. A very warm welcome to these pupils and their families. We now have 593 pupils on role at the school. We also have a waiting list for EYFS and some in-year transfers who are due to join us in the coming weeks.

EYFS

Our new EYFS children started this week with two half days with lunch. From Wednesday they have been in school for full days. We have 90 children starting in EYFS spread across 3 classes. Our new starters all looked very smart and we are so pleased to welcome them to our Mablings school family.

Staff

Hopefully all children will have now met their new teacher and support staff. Each year group works together with the same staff supporting throughout the day. Classes within a year group may mix occasionally. Year groups have staggered break times with the same staff sharing the duties. The children should quickly get to know who is in their year group team.

New staff

I would like to welcome new members of staff who have joined the team:
Mr S Bailey (Y6 teacher), Ms C Fortune (Y4 support).

Parent's Welcome Meeting

Traditionally at this time of year we would be inviting parents to 'Welcome Meetings' in school to meet the new staff and receive information about how each year group works. This year we will hold a drop-in session on **THURSDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER** between 3:15-4:15pm. After school, parents are invited to visit their child's classroom, see where the children will be working, meet the teacher and get a general feel for where the children will be learning. Each year group will distribute an overview sheet outlining key information for their year group. Each year group will also prepare their 'Curriculum Slice' which can be found on the school website from Monday 12th September. This outlines the areas of study for the Autumn Term for each year group.

Clubs

The first few weeks back at school will be a time of adjustment for all. Our main focus will be on the safe day-to-day running of the school and providing relevant activities and opportunities to get our children back on track. During September we will begin to offer a range of after-school clubs. Individual letters will be sent regarding specific clubs.

Communication

Teachers will be using 'Class Dojo' and will be sending a welcome message to check that parents are signed up. If you have not received a Dojo message by the start of next week then please contact the school office.
Year group emails – we will continue to use year group email addresses. This email box will be monitored by the Year group team.



Year Group– Email Address **Mablins Lane CP School**

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

Parents can call the school at any time on: 01270 749908 There is an answerphone service available on this number and messages are checked regularly. Calls regarding absence can be left on the answerphone and the registers will be updated accordingly. Parents may wish to email directly to me or via the school office. Addresses are as follows:

Headteacher: head@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk

Office: admin@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk

Members of the Senior Leadership Team are present each morning on the main entry doors/gates to school.

A texting service is in place for short messages. Newsletters and other correspondence will be sent by email or paper copies can be made available. If you require more than one copy then do please let us know.

We have a school website. Please regularly check online for lots of additional information. You can also keep up to speed with events as they happen by following our Twitter feed **@MablinsSchool**

Contact details

It is important that the school holds the correct contact details for all our children and families. We may need to phone parents and therefore need the current numbers. Letters and information may be sent by email and therefore we need an up to date contact email address. Please can parents email: admin@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk if their details have changed over the summer break. If it seems that other parents are receiving information that you have not then please email us directly in order for us to check that we do hold the correct information. Many thanks.

(Communication will be sent in English, but should parents require translation then please let us know as we can offer this service to parents in some cases.)

Photo Permissions

During the course of the day we take lots of photos of the children as they are working and some of these are posted on our Twitter feed or on the school website. PLEASE CAN PARENTS INFORM US IF THEY DO NOT WISH THEIR CHILD TO BE PHOTOGRAPHED in order for us to update our list. Many thanks.

Uniform

It is lovely to see all the children in their school uniform. Second hand uniform is always available please just ask.

Please make sure that **ALL** your child's uniform and PE kit is **clearly labelled with his/her name**. A quick reminder on school uniform:

Black/grey trousers, shorts, skirts or pinafore dresses

White/pale blue polo shirts

Royal Blue sweatshirt or cardigan

White/grey/black socks or tights

Black school shoes

Uniform can be bought with the Mablins logo online from Cheshire Workwear's website, www.getyouruniform.co.uk. Plain items can be purchased from local shops and supermarkets very reasonably.

Name Labels

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.

School Lunch Payments

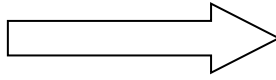
Please can I remind parents that dinner money is £2.40p per day (£12.00 per full week, £91.20 for this half term of 38 days).

Pupils in EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a Universal Free School Meal and will not need to send in any payment.

Please be reminded that registration is still required for Free School Meals if parents are in receipt of some benefits. This applies to pupils in any year group across the school including EYFS, Y1 and Y2. This registration releases money in to the school budget (Pupil Premium Funding) which helps to support pupil learning. The number to call is 0300 123 5012. If you are unsure if you are eligible or require assistance in your application then do not hesitate to contact the school office

Dinner money is payable in **advance** and is due weekly on a **Monday**, or at the start of the half term. Please send in half termly payments before Monday 12th September if possible. **Children who owe for dinners will not be able to continue until all arrears are paid.** If you are paying for more than one child, please state clearly which money is due to which child.

Payments should be made online via the Cheshire East School Portal [Cheshire East School Shop](#). If parents are unsure how to do this then please ask at the school office.



Medicine

Some pupils take regular medicine and need to do this during the school day. Please ensure that a new form has been completed for the office and that medication in school is in date and current doses are accurate. We will not be able to administer any medication until forms are signed and complete for this school year. Mrs Eastwood is our designated medical needs support worker and will be contacting families during the next couple of weeks. Please look out for this correspondence and reply accordingly.

Some pupils may need to take a course of medication after a short illness and this may require administering during the school day. We can only administer medicine prescribed by a doctor and to the dose prescribed on the label. A form will need to be completed at the time in the office.

Some pupils will take regular medicine, but this may be outside of school hours. It is useful for us to know this in case there is an emergency. Please could parents add this to the data sheet or let us know in writing so that we can add this to our records.

Allergies Information ***NUT FREE***

It is very important for you to inform us at school if your child suffers from any allergies. All our staff have been trained to deal with reactions and can work accordingly.

We do have a pupil who has a severe nut allergy and we are therefore a NUT FREE SCHOOL.

Please can all parents support us in this pledge by checking any snacks and lunch box items to make sure that they DO NOT contain any nuts in order to keep all our pupils safe.

Many thanks for your cooperation with this request.

Parking Outside School



The safety of our children is paramount and it is essential therefore that everyone parks thoughtfully and considerately around school. We do have our yellow zig-zag lines giving a clear zone, but I do urge all parents to be vigilant in keeping the front of the school clear. If parking in any of the estates, parents must ensure that they do not park across or block the driveways of our neighbours. Last year we had numerous complaints from our neighbours who have been met with abuse when asking parents not to block their driveways. Anyone parking in a dangerous manner or showing dis-regard will be reported to the police.

Back to school – safely!

Very few parents are aware that children up to the age of 12 are required to use a booster seat of some sort. The only exemption is if a child is taller than 135cm. The full legislation is copied below.

1. Using a child car seat or booster seat

Children must normally use a child car seat until they're 12 years old or 135cm tall.

Types of child car seat

Which child car seat to use depends on the child's weight.

Type of seat	Weight
Rear-facing baby seats	Babies up to 13kg
Forward or rear-facing baby seats	Children from 9 to 18kg
Forward-facing child car seats (booster seats)	Children from 15 to 25kg
Booster cushions	Children over 22kg

Only EU-approved child car seats can be used in the UK. These have a label showing a capital 'E' in a circle.

It is a frightening fact that if you are involved in an accident, even if you are not at fault and you are found to be committing any offence, be that a bald tyre, using your phone or not using a booster seat, your insurer is unlikely to pay your claim and a prosecution is a possibility.

Could you live with yourself if you injured your child permanently because they were wearing an ill-fitting seat belt? The legislation is there for your child's protection. Please ensure you comply.

Friday Assembly names – Certificates



EYFS

Mrs Hunt's class, Harley, Miss Kenny's Class & Miss Collins' class

Year 1

Whole Year Group

Year 2

Whole Year Group

Ivy, Evie & Tyler

Year 3

Freya & Mrs Herd's class, Heidi & Carly

Year 4

Dougie, Miss Hickman's class & April

Year 5

Leon, Scott & Noah

Year 6

Joseph, Jonah & Ellie



Exciting NEWS – Mablins Lane!

The BBC News contacted us as earlier this year as they were making a short documentary 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 feature attends Mablins Lane Primary School, and was in Year 4 GMcD class, now in year 5! This short documentary is now live and can be seen by following this link below:

[BBC News Channel - Britain's New Hongkongers](#)

The long film is being broadcast on the BBC News Channel and World News and will also be on iPlayer. If you have time please take a look at this as we are so proud of our lovely children and school being asked to take part in this BBC documentary.

Finally

May I remind you that I am always available should you have any queries or concerns no matter how small. Please do not hesitate to contact me at school. I would like to thank you for taking the time to read this letter. I wish you all a most successful term.



We would also like to pay tribute to the Queen on her passing and thank her for her tireless service, duty and humility throughout her 70 year reign of the United Kingdom and Commonwealth countries. What a life she has led, she is truly an inspiration for us all. Our deepest condolences are sent to her family at this very sad time.



Yours sincerely
Justine Joule