

## Mablins Lane Community Primary School Newsletter ~ 16<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Dear Parents and Children,  
Seven busy weeks gone in a flash and here we are at the Half Term break. The children continue to receive a rich and varied programme of activities including day and overnight visits, workshops and sporting competitions. They all deserve a well-earned break. I hope that everybody manages to have an enjoyable week.

### Thought of the Week



### Non –uniform

Many thanks to all our families for the wonderful donations of bottles, chocolates and sweets. The amount donated was truly immense. The donations will be used as prizes, and in the tombola at the Bingo Event tonight.

### PTA BINGO TONIGHT

Doors open at 6pm with eyes down at 6:30pm

Prizes will include bottles, hampers and much more. There will be refreshments and a tombola. The October Bingo was a roaring success so please arrive early to get your table.



### Celebration Assembly

To end the half term all classes attended an end of half term assembly in the main hall. It is the first time that we have all met together as a school in the hall this term and it was good to see everybody. Certificates were given out by each class teacher.

The Sports Council also told the children about looking after the new sports equipment and were able to stand at the front so that everybody could see them in their lovely high-viz vests.

### Staff announcements

At the end of our celebration assembly we said farewell to Mrs Walker (TA). She has worked with us for over 4 years and is currently supporting in Year 5. She is moving on to



another school where she can work fewer hours and enjoy a longer weekend at her caravan. We wish her all the best and hope that she manages some lovely weekends away.

We also said farewell to Mrs Weston (TA). She has been supporting Year 2 and is taking a little bit of time out to spend with her family. We wish her all the best.

Last weekend Mr McKay got married so, although we gave him a big on-line shout-out last week, we congratulated him in person and wished him and the new Mrs McKay a long and happy future.



### School Council – Biscuit Sale!

The School Council/Earth Heroes group sold home baked 'Joy' from the kitchen's biscuits yesterday to raise funds for their projects. They managed to raise £220. Thank you for your support. ☺

**MABLINS LANE SCHOOL COUNCIL /  
EARTH HEROES** 



**WE RAISED:**

**£220**

### School Council/Earth Heroes Recycling Competition

All the children at Mablins Lane are invited to enter the recycling competition being run by the School Council – its 50p to enter and children can make anything from items that you would normally throw away into the grey wheelie bin! We have already had model houses and animals being entered. Prizes to be won!

Closing date is Friday 17th March ☺

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**RECYCLING  
MODEL MAKING  
COMPETITION  
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CLOSING DATE  
17<sup>TH</sup> MARCH  
PRIZES TO BE WON!**



### Trips and Visits

Year 5 Chester Zoo – What a great day. The children were amazing and learnt lots of new facts. The behavior was excellent – very proud of you all.

Year 6 Safety Central – Monday 27<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February. This is a fully funded visit. One of the days is a designated day of industrial action, but we are able to appropriately staff the visit and those children left in school.



**YEAR 6 TRIP**  
**MON 27 FEB**  
**or**  
**TUES 28 FEB**

The Y6 visit to Blists Hill has been re-scheduled to **FRIDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH**.

**Year 6 Blists Hill**  
**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March**

### Y4 Anglesey Meeting

It was good to see many of our Y4 parents at the information meeting regarding the overnight visit to Anglesey in March. Packs have been sent home to those unable to attend. PLEASE READ THE PACK CAREFULLY. Form 'C's' must be returned by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> March and it is essential that the kit list and packing guidance is followed:

- NO JEANS ON THIS VISIT
- NO WELLIES
- SLIPPERS TO BE PACKED IN DAY BAG
- WATERPROOF COAT WITH A HOOD

### Governor Vacancy

**SCHOOL PARENT**  
**GOVERNOR VACANCY**

We have currently had no interest in our advert for a parent governor. We would love somebody to step forward and join our team. If any parent would consider the vacancy then please contact me for further details:

[head@mablinlane.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:head@mablinlane.cheshire.sch.uk)

### NEU Industrial Action

The next planned day of action is on:

- Tuesday 28 February 2023

This is the second day after the half term break.

**PLANNED STRIKE ACTION**

**TUESDAY 28 FEBRUARY**

**SCHOOL WILL BE FULLY OPEN**

### Attendance

I am receiving an increased number of 'Leave of Absence Forms' for holidays during term time. Absence for Holidays **cannot** be authorised and a fixed penalty notice **will** be issued if the absence exceeds 10 session (5 days).

### Late Arrivals

An increasing number of children are also arriving late in the morning after registration. There will be occasions when an alarm fails, or the car won't start, but this will be 'one-offs'. Some children are arriving late regularly. Please check the time for registration and adjust morning routines to get children in to school before gates and doors close. (See times – this is when the door closes for each year group.)

### **Year Group School Door Closure Times**

EYFS	-	09:00
Y1	-	08:55
Y2	-	08:55
Y3	-	08:50
Y4	-	08:50
Y5	-	08:40
Y6	-	08:40

### World Book Day 2023

World Book Day is Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March this is during Green/art week.

WORLD  
**BOOK**  
**DAY**

2 MARCH 2023

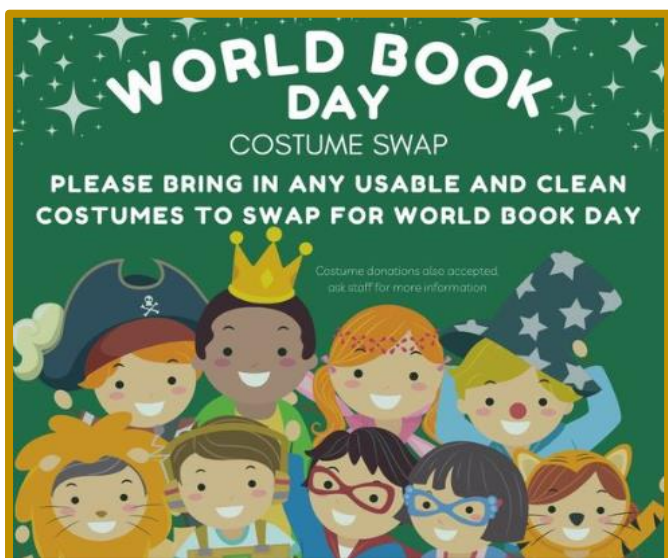
**WORLD BOOK DAY**  
**NON-UNIFORM**

**WEAR PYJAMAS or**  
**DRESS AS A BOOK**  
**CHARACTER**

**THURSDAY 2 MARCH**

Crewe Library are hosting a costume swap - please donate any usable and clean costumes you might have, and feel free to pick a new one up too - the costumes will

be hung on a clothes rail on the ground floor of the library.



### Green Day



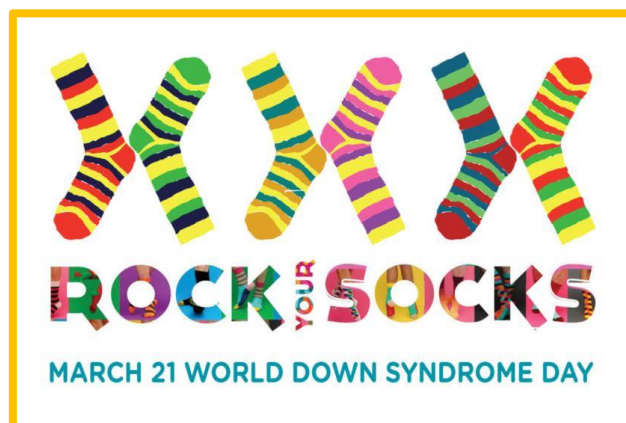
### RED NOSE day

We'll be supporting Comic Relief Red Nose Day on Friday 17 March. Children are invited to **wear red and be in non-uniform for a donation of £1**. We've set up a [Just Giving Page](#) to help you leave a donation. The School Council will also be holding fundraising activities during the day, so please bring in some loose change to take part.



### World Down Syndrome Day – 21<sup>st</sup> March

World Down Syndrome Day Gingerbread Sock Sale! £1.00 a biscuit! Please support this day by wearing odd socks and buying a biscuit ☺



## SCHOOL LUNCHES

### MONDAY

### Week 1

Homemade  
Pizza with a  
Choice of toppings

Quorn Korma with  
Rice & Cous Cous  
(v)

Fresh Fruit Platter  
or Organic  
Yoghurt

### TUESDAY

Beef Pasta Bolognese  
with Garlic Bread

Jacket Potato with a  
choice of filling/s (v)

Fresh fruit platter or  
fruit crumble &  
custard

### WEDNESDAY

Butchers Sausage,  
Mash potato, carrots  
Broccoli & gravy

Fresh fruit platter or  
Organic Yoghurt or  
Cookie of the Day

### THURSDAY

Leek & Bacon  
Pasta Bake with  
sweetcorn

Vegetarian sausage  
rolls with mash potato  
Mixed veg & gravy (v)

Fresh Fruit platter or  
Warm choc brownie  
& chocolate sauce

### FRIDAY

Battered Fish with  
Chips, mushy peas /  
Peas & tomato sauce

Homemade vegetable  
Frittata with chips  
(v)

Fresh fruit platter or  
Coconut crunch &  
Fruit chunk

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](#)

**Parents Evening Tues 7/Wed 8/Thurs 9 March**

After half term we will be holding our Spring Term parent/teacher meetings. Meetings will be held on TEAMS or by telephone. All meetings will be held during **7, 8 & 9<sup>th</sup> March**. Appointment bookings will be done via the on-line system. Each appointment will be for 10 minutes and will focus on the progress made so far over the year. It would be good to have parents and children together for the meeting where possible. If you have any problem with the online system, or require assistance in making the appointment then please contact the class teacher or school office.

**WHOLE SCHOOL PARENTS' EVENING**  
**7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> MARCH**  
**BOOKING SYSTEM WILL BE OPEN ON**  
**MONDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY**

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## Contact Details

If you have moved house, changed telephone number or would like to make changes to emergency contact numbers, please email:-

[admin@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk) with details and we will amend our records.

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## PTA News

The PTA have planned a 'Bottle Challenge' for their next fundraiser. This will start after half term. Each class will have a 2-litre bottle which can be filled with loose change. Any coins (English currency) can be dropped in to the bottle with the aim being to fill up the bottle by the end of May. There will be 3 TOP prizes for the classes raising the most money from their bottles. Start digging around in the back of the sofa for any coins that may be hiding!



A decision has been made to hold some sort of Summer Fair/Festival. Anybody with ideas or suggestions is welcome to join the next meeting on TUESDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY at 3:30pm in school, in order to discuss ideas and set a date.



## COVID

We must also still be mindful that Covid has not gone away. Please help us all to stay well by following the guidance.

- If your child does show any symptoms at all then please do not send them in to school.
- If anybody in your house receives a positive result then that person should isolate and should not come to school.

- Please be vigilant where there are positive cases in the household.

The guidance is 5 days isolation for adults and 3 days for children. Thank you for your support.

### Half Term

School closes for the half term break TODAY. School re-opens on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February.

**END OF TERM  
THURSDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY  
SCHOOL REOPENS  
MONDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY**

With kind regards  
Justine Joule – Headteacher

## Dates for your *School Dates for Your Diary*

Date	Event
Thurs 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	PTA Bingo Night – Main Hall 6pm
<b>Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>Children Break Up for Half Term</b>
<b>Fri 17<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>Staff INSET Day</b>
<b>Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	<b>Children return to school</b>
Tues 28 <sup>th</sup> Feb	PTA Meeting 3:30pm
Wed 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	School Council Parents meeting 3.30pm
Thur 2 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	World Book Day – wear pyjamas
Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mar	Green Day – wear something green
7/8/9 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Parents Evening
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Anglesey visit Yr 4
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Practice SATS week Yr6
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> Mar	World Down Syndrome Day Gingerbread Sock Sale! £1.00 a biscuit! Please support this day by wearing odd socks and buying a biscuit ☺
Thur 23 <sup>rd</sup> /Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> Mar	School Council visit to London
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Yr3 Assembly for parents 2.00pm
<b>Fri 31<sup>st</sup> Mar</b>	Yr4 Carnival Concert for parents 2.00pm Blists Hill Visit Y6 <b>Children Break Up for Easter</b>

## Keeping in touch



Our main switchboard telephone number is **01270 749908** and will show as this on caller ID



We use e-mail as our main method of communicating with parents and carers as it's quick, efficient and cost effective. Please make sure we have your current e-mail address so you don't miss important communications.



We also distribute up-to-the-minute information via Twitter [@MablinsSchool](https://twitter.com/MablinsSchool) which can be viewed on the front page of our website



[www.mablinslaneschool.co.uk](http://www.mablinslaneschool.co.uk)

Please be reminded that the teachers are busy with their classes during the day and are not available for appointments unless previously arranged. The best time for appointments is after school.

## Community Notices



**BritishRedCross**

**DEC TURKEY-SYRIA EARTHQUAKE APPEAL**

*The scale of the catastrophe in Turkey and Syria is unimaginable*

**UPDATED 10/02/2023:** Reports now suggest that more than 21,000 have been killed, and many thousands more injured. These figures continue to rise. In response, the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC), of which British Red Cross is a member, has launched an appeal as our teams continue to support with search and rescue, providing essential aid and supporting the wounded

To read more or donate, please click [here](#).