

Mablins Lane Community Primary School Newsletter ~ 1st December 2023

Dear Parents and Children,

December has arrived and with it flurries of decorations have sprung up around the school. Trees, lights, bunting and all things festive. The children also look great today in their festive outfits, jumpers and hats.

As mentioned last week, as part of our Christmas calendar in school we are aiming to include members of the community, and are looking to those who might be lonely or vulnerable. If you have a neighbour or know someone who we could send a card or Christmas gift to, then please let us know via:

head@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk

Thought of the Week



Events this week:

Y3 Award Assembly

Y3 welcomed the Police Commissioner for Cheshire, John Dwyer, to their assembly on Thursday. Juliet Kemp won the competition to design this Year's Christmas Card and Mr Dwyer attended to present Juliet with her prize. We are very proud of Juliet and hope that all who



receive one of the cards like the design as much as Mr Dwyer.



Juliet's winning design

Y5 Smokebusters

Year 5 took part in a fire safety assembly with White Watch from the Crewe Fire House. They talked about the importance of smoke alarms and how to make a fire escape plan at home. The children also experienced what it would be like to escape from a room filled with smoke as they went into the fire brigades smoke tent.



Fluenz Vaccines

All children in school today have been offered a Fluenz vaccine. If you are concerned that your child has missed their vaccine, then please fill out the form that was emailed today from school. You can contact your health visitor or GP surgery for advice.

Year 4 – Humanities Week

History and Geography Focus week in Year 4. We looked at Greece and locating a famous landmark using the compass bearings along with studying the ancient Olympic games. What a fun week we have had!



Celebration Assembly

The whole school gathered on TEAMS for this week's **CHRISTMAS LAUNCH** assembly. There were many 'shout-outs' and celebrations from every year group.



EYFS

Mehrsam, Isabella & Kaylib

Year 1

Henry, Bobby & Alicja

Year 2

Jaxson, Noah & Bentley

Year 3

Evie, Harry Y & Harry H

Year 4

Heidi, Abigail & Isla

Year 5

Albie, Jayden & Harry

Year 6

Whole Year Group

Staff Shout Out

Our very own Mario & Luigi
(Barry & Kev)



ACHIEVEMENTS

Ava R Y6SJ has completed stage 7 at swimming and she was really proud of herself. Well Done Ava!



Sports shout out goes to Lucy H Y5IMc who played her first rugby match for Crewe and Nantwich under 10's last weekend. WOW Lucy!!!

Sporting shout outs also go to Olivia Cripps and Ava Beckett who competed in a dance competition together, with their dance club. They competed in ballet, lyrical and hip-hop and were awarded a trophy for their efforts and hard work in the team dance routine! Well done girls

Mablins Sports News

Football

On Saturday our school football team were flag bearers at the Crewe Alexandra v Doncaster Rovers game. The team had a tour of the ground, visited the home dressing room, got to walk down the tunnel as well as meeting some of the Alex players and their manager. We were then lucky enough to greet both sets of players onto the pitch before watching the game. A great afternoon was had by all - plus the Alex won 3-2! A big thank you to all pupils and parents who attended the game. ⚽⚽⚽



Indoor Athletics

On Wednesday almost 40 children from Mablins attended the heats for the sports hall athletics competition at South Cheshire College. The children competed in a variety of track and field events. Our Year 3/ 4 team performed fantastically and came 2nd overall while our Y 5/ 6 team were amazing and were narrowly beaten into 3rd place. Well done to all of the children who competed and many thanks to staff and parents who provided lifts and supported the children so well.



Christmas 2023



Mablins Choir

Our lovely KS2 choir have been asked to sing at St Peter's Church on Sunday morning for their first advent service. They have been rehearsing and sound beautiful. The service starts at 10:45 and will be followed by refreshments in the church hall. The vicar has also informed us that SANTA himself will be making an appearance after the service.

Next Week

The Christmas Calendar starts with EYFS enjoying an outdoor learning morning on Monday – including planting their very own Christmas Tree. (We hope that the seeds are not the same as the one's on the John Lewis advert!) Year 1 will be outside on Friday morning. **PLEASE make sure that your child comes suitably dressed for being outside in the cold.** ALL children need a warm coat, hat and gloves. The weather forecast is set to remain cold and we may even have some snow.



EYFS Stay and Sing

EYFS parents are invited to a 'Stay and Sing' (yes there will be audience participation!) next **Thursday 7th December at 2:30pm in the main school hall.** A letter has been sent home regarding tickets which have been allocated at 2 per family. If you do not require your 2 tickets then please return them to us so that we can re-distribute them to other families.



EYFS STAY & SING
THURSDAY 7TH DECEMBER
2:30PM IN THE MAIN HALL
THIS IS A TICKETED EVENT

Mablins PTA News

NAME THE ELF
CHRISTMAS FAIR
COMPETITION
£1 per go
WIN THE ELF



Children will be around school at playtimes, if you would like to have a go send in £1.00 with your child and they can pick a name off the grid...and maybe win the Elf!

The Christmas Fair is next Friday!!!

SCHOOL HALL & EYFS OUTDOOR AREA

Mablins Lane CP School

CHRISTMAS FAIR

CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA

- Tombolas
- Vendors
- Gifts
- Meet Santa
- Food
- Games
- Choir Singing
- & More!

AN EVENT FOR THE FAMILY!
 THE EYFS NORTHPOLE PLAZA
 MABLINS LANE SCHOOL HALL
 STARTS AT 3PM
 DON'T MISS OUT ON THE FUN!

8 DEC

Christmas Trees





MINSHULL'S

Thanks to Minshull's Nursery's for donating our indoor and outdoor tree. They look fabulous!



We are Hiring – MDA

We are looking to appoint a Midday Assistant to supervise our children at lunchtimes, starting in January 2024. The vacancy is a temporary post working 5 hours per week (Monday-Friday, one hour over the lunchtime break) and is term-time only.

Temporary contract initially until end of term – July 2024
5 hours per week

Term-time only

Grade 2 - £20,441 pro-rata per annum

The role involves supervising children during lunchtime, arranging appropriate activities during wet play and initiating and supervising play on the playground. Our friendly team of Midday Assistants supervise children



during the lunchtime period in the dining hall, class areas and on the playground.

The successful candidate must enjoy working with children and as part of a team and will be expected to effectively apply the school's behaviour policy.

A high standard of care and support for our children is required and all applicants will be subject to stringent vetting procedures.

For an application form please contact the School Office on: 01270 749908 or download an application form from our school website:

<http://www.mablinslaneschool.co.uk>.

Previous applicants need not further apply.

Completed application forms can be returned to the school office or emailed to the School: deputy@mablinslane.cheshire.sch.uk

The Closing Date for this post is: 12:00 on Friday 8th December 2023

Gate & Register Times

We are getting an increasing number of children arriving late into school. Please see below the register times and finish times and gate closing times in the morning.

	Entrance	Start	Exit	End
EYFS	Parkers Road small pedestrian gate Doors OPEN 08:40 – 08:50	08:50	Parkers Road small pedestrian gate	3:05
Y1	Orchard gate Enter school via the Y1 door near to Forest School. Doors OPEN 08:35 – 08:45	08:45	Orchard gate Y1 GK and Y1 JT to exit through Y1 door by Forest School Y1 AD to exit via the Y1 link door on to the Orchard playground.	3:15
Y2	Parkers Road small pedestrian gate Children to go through the playground across to the Y2 door Doors OPEN 08:35 – 08:45	08:45	Parkers Road small pedestrian gate Children will exit through Year 2 door to playground	3:15
Y3	Mablins Lane pedestrian gate Children to walk down the path to the Y1 link door and in to school Doors OPEN 08:35 – 08:45	08:45	Y3JE – to exit through classroom fire door. Parents to enter via Orchard gate and wait in playground Y3SG and Y3SH – to exit through the Y4 library door on to the playground. Parents to enter the playground and wait near to the Y4 building.	3:15
Y4	Orchard Gate Walk across the playground and enter through Y4 door Doors OPEN 08:30 – 08:40	08:40	Orchard/Parkers Road Gate. Walk across the playground. Children will exit classrooms through individual class doors	3:10
Y5	Mablins Lane pedestrian gate Children to walk down the path to the Y1 link door and in to school Doors OPEN 08:30 – 08:40	08:40	All classes will exit through the Y4 library door on to the playground. Parents to enter the playground and wait near to the Y2 building.	3:10
Y6	Mablins Lane pedestrian gate Children to walk to the main entrance door and in to school Doors OPEN 08:30 – 08:40	08:40	Children to exit through the main entrance.	3:10

Scooters and Bikes

We have noticed a large



number of scooters and bikes on the playground at the start and end of the day. We are pleased

that families are taking a healthier option but could we please insist that once inside the gates and on the playground that children walk with their bikes and scooters to avoid any accidents.

A POLITE REMINDER THAT CHILDREN SHOULD WEAR A BIKE HELMET IF THEY CYCLE TO SCHOOL

SCHOOL LUNCHES

MONDAY

Week 1

Ravioli with a Homemade Arrabbiata Sauce (v) Vegetable Frittata with salad potatoes (v) Lemon Bites, Yoghurt or Fresh Fruit Platter

TUESDAY

Butchers Sausage, creamed potatoes vegetables & gravy Plant Friendly sausage, potatoes, vegetables & gravy (v) Steamed pear, peach & sultana sponge with custard or fruit

WEDNESDAY

Gammon & pineapple potatoes, carrots, peas & gravy Quorn fillet, potatoes, carrots peas & gravy (v) Chocolate crunch finger with fruit chunk or fresh fruit

THURSDAY

Sticky chicken fillet with savoury rice Vegetarian cottage pie with vegetables (v) Fruit crumble & custard or Fresh fruit platter

FRIDAY

Fish / Salmon Fish Fingers, chips and Peas or baked beans Texan Quorn Tortilla boat with chips (v) Banana & chocolate muffin or Fresh fruit platter

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](#)

HEALTHY SCHOOL REMINDERS

- **No chocolate, crisps, sweets or fizzy drinks for snack time**
- **Do not share food with your friends**
- **We are a nut free school**

Payment for Trips & Dinners

Please can we remind parents that trips and dinners must be paid for in advance using the [Cheshire East School Shop epayment system](#). If you are having difficulty with making a payment, check out the [parent guide](#). The school office staff are happy to give advice or process the payment through the school office account.

Birthday Treats

We love to celebrate the children's birthdays in school but can we please remind parents that we are a healthy school. **Children should NOT bring food / cakes / sweets for birthdays.**

Wellbeing Drop-In Sessions for Parents

Abby Sadat-Shafai will be in school every Wednesday from 8.30 until 9.15 to hold a wellbeing drop in session for parents. Parents will be able to drop in to ask advice about any worries they may have about their child's emotional wellbeing.

WELLBEING

PARENT DROP-IN SESSIONS

Every Wednesday

8:30am - 9:15am

Please contact Mrs Dibbens or the School Office on Monday's if you would like to attend.

Parking/School Car Park

A letter was distributed this week regarding access to the school car park. Please note:

- Only **Blue badge holders** can come on to the car park.
- **They** must be driving the vehicle and dropping off the child.
- If there is an able bodied person in the vehicle then the vehicle can park away from the car park and that person should walk and collect the children from the designated area.

We continue to monitor parking around the school at the start and end of the school day. Many thanks to those families who have shown their support.

These measures are in place to keep everybody safe, therefore we have to stress that as a school we will not tolerate being shouted at or verbally abused. Anybody who is deemed to be acting inappropriately either verbally or physically will be reported to the Police.

Please be reminded that the Eight Farmers pub car park has been made available for school drop off / pick up parking.

SCHOOL GROUNDS SAFETY NOTICE

- PLEASE DO NOT WALK / CYCLE / SCOOTER ACROSS CAR PARK AT THE FRONT OF SCHOOL WHEN THE VEHICLE GATES ARE OPEN.
- PLEASE STICK TO THE PEDESTRIAN WALKWAYS WHERE EVER POSSIBLE.
- NO SCOOTERS OR BICYCLES ARE TO BE RIDDEN ON SCHOOL GROUNDS.
- NO SMOKING OR VAPING ON SCHOOL GROUNDS.
- NO DOGS ON SCHOOL GROUNDS.
- PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW YOUR CHILDREN TO PLAY ON THE ASTRO AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL DAY.
- PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW YOUR CHILDREN TO PLAY ON THE TRIM TRAIL AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL DAY.

REMINDER: Illness guidance

We ask that in order to keep everybody safe and well that families are vigilant with any signs and symptoms of illness. We ask that parents note the following guidance:

For the protection of all, we will revert to the following guidance for Covid.

- 3 days absence for children testing positive
- 5 days absence for adults testing positive,
- BUT if your child is still coughing, has a runny nose or is feeling unwell then they MUST remain at home.

Where children have cases of sickness and/or diarrhoea - we will continue to follow Infection Control guidance - which states **that children must not return to school until 48hrs has passed since the last episode of sickness/diarrhoea.**

Cheshire School Admissions 2024!

Applications are now open for children starting primary school in September 2024. Parents are strongly advised to apply for three preferences.

Applications must be submitted to the child's home local authority by:

- 15 January 2024 for pupils starting primary in September 2024

Parents still need to apply even if the child has a brother or sister already at the school or the child is attending a nursery/preschool attached to the school.

Parents should consider how their child will travel to school when making preferences. Parents can find out about school transport at [Free and subsidised school transport \(cheshireeast.gov.uk\)](https://cheshireeast.gov.uk/free-and-subsidised-school-transport)

To apply online and for further information please go to [Apply for September 2024 school place \(cheshireeast.gov.uk\)](https://cheshireeast.gov.uk/apply-for-september-2024-school-place) or call 0300 123 5012.

For up-to-date information please follow Cheshire East Admissions on twitter @CE_Admissions and follow The Family Information Service – @FISCheshireEast or [Family Information Service \(Cheshire East Council\) - Home | Facebook](https://cheshireeast.gov.uk/family-information-service)

Link: [Application process for starting school in September \(cheshireeast.gov.uk\)](https://cheshireeast.gov.uk/application-process-for-starting-school-in-september)

Survey on a new plan for Cheshire East

Cheshire East Council is developing a new plan for the borough and is inviting residents to help shape the priorities and ambitions of Cheshire East. The council is facing unprecedented financial challenge and needs to make sure that its services are delivered as effectively and efficiently as possible. Residents can share their views in an online survey, which is open until Friday 15 December 2023. Cheshire East wants to hear from as many people as possible when shaping the new plan.

Link address:

<https://surveys.cheshireeast.gov.uk/s/ShapingOurFuture23/>

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 with details and we will amend our records.

CONTACT DETAILS

**DON'T FORGET TO UPDATE THE
OFFICE IF YOU CHANGE YOUR
ADDRESS, TELEPHONE NUMBER OR
EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS**

With kind regards
Justine Joule – Headteacher

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 which can be viewed on the front page of our website
	www.mablinslaneschool.co.uk

COMMUNITY NEWS

Free Music Events

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Park Life Café

Saturday December 2nd
2 - 3.30pm :
The Nightingale Choir

Sunday December 10th
1 - 3pm
St Mary's School Choir

Saturday December 16th
From 2pm
Funky Choir

Sunday December 17th
1 - 3.30pm
Godfathers of Soul

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.

Dates for your



Date	Event
W/B 4 th Dec	Assessment week
W/B 4 th Dec	Christmas Activities
Thurs 7 th Dec	EYFS Stay and Sing 2:30pm
Fri 8 th Dec	Christmas Hat Day – chocolate for charity
W/B 11 th Dec	Pupil progress meetings
W/B 11 th Dec	Christmas Activities
Mon 13 th Dec	Y2 Whoops a Daisy Nativity 9:15am school & 2:30pm parents
Thur 14 th Dec	Y5/6 Theatre Visit
Thur 14 th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day 1
Thur 14 th Dec	EYFS, Y1 & Y2 Christmas Dinner
Fri 15 th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day 2
Fri 15 th Dec	Y3,4,5,& 6 Christmas Dinner
Fri 22 nd Dec	Wear a Christmas Outfit
Friday 22nd December	Children break up for Christmas



Christmas 5k Dash

SUNDAY 17th DECEMBER

Arrive from 10am
Race starts at 11am
Queens Park, Crewe

REGISTRATION FEE:
ADULTS - £20 CHILDREN - £15 (under 15s)

INCLUDED IN FEE: Themed Medal, Goody Bag & Refreshments

Raising funds for:
YMCA **THE GENIES WISH**




Saturday 16th December
Park Life Café 11am – 2pm

Christmas in the Park

Visit Santa 11am – 2pm:
£3 per child – small gift
Tombola, Raffle and table top games
Face Painter, Christmas Sweets

Creative Crewe Crafts from 11am
In Bowls Pavilion



From 2pm: Enjoy a free celebration
of Festive Songs with
The Funky Choir

Richard Palin
Gas Services




CNGC
TEL NO: 01270 214 324

CREWE & NANTWICH GYMNASTICS CLUB

CAMM STREET CENTRE

We are a charity run community gymnastics group for local children. We offer fun, active sessions from recreational classes to squad groups competing at both regional and national levels. Come along for a free taster session.

Scan here for a free taster session









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Preschool Classes
Recreational Gymnastics
Trampolining
Men's Artistic
Women's Artistic
Teamgym

EMAIL: RECEPTION@CNGC.INFO
WWW.CAMMSTREETCENTRE.COM



Date	Advent calendar 	Forest School Christmas session (a.m. only) 	Assemblies Main Hall 	Christmas Performances 	Christmas Dinner 	Christmas Jumper/hat Day 
1 st Dec			Grand Christmas Launch Assembly			Wear a Christmas outfit Donate a bottle for PTA
4 th Dec	Year 3	EYFS				
5 th Dec	Year 2	FOREST TOTS				
6 th Dec	Year 4	Y5				
7 th Dec	Year 1	Y6		EYFS 2.30pm stay and sing		
8 th Dec	Year 5	YEAR 1				Christmas hat day – chocolate for charity
11 th Dec	EYFS	YEAR 3				
12 th Dec	Year 6	FOREST TOTS				
13 th Dec	Year 3	YEAR 5		Whoops a Daisy Y2 9:15am school 2:30pm parents		
14 th Dec	Year 2	YEAR 6		Y5/6 Theatre Visit	11:45-12:30 EYFS 11:45-12:30 Yr 1 11:45-12:30 Yr 2	Christmas Jumper Day
15 th Dec	Year 4	YEAR 2			12:15-12:45 Yr 3/4 12:45-13:15 Yr 5/6	Christmas Jumper Day
18 th Dec	Year 1	YEAR 4				
19 th Dec	Year 5	FOREST TOTS				
20 th Dec	EYFS	YEAR 5				
21 st Dec	Year 6	YEAR 6				
22 nd Dec			End of term celebration assembly			Wear a Christmas outfit

Mablins Lane CP School calendar 2023/24

September 2023							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
35					1	2	3
36	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
37	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
38	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
39	25	26	27	28	29	30	

October 2023							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
39							1
40	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
41	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
42	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
43	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
44	30	31					

November 2023							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
44			1	2	3	4	5
45	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
46	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
47	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
48	27	28	29	30			

December 2023							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
48					1	2	3
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52	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

January 2024							
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5	29	30	31				

February 2024							
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March 2024							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
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13	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

April 2024							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
14	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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17	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
18	29	30					

May 2024							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
18			1	2	3	4	5
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22	27	28	29	30	31		

June 2024							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
22						1	2
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24	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
25	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
26	24	25	26	27	28	29	30

July 2024							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
27	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
28	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
29	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
30	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
31	29	30	31				

August 2024							
Wk	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
31				1	2	3	4
32	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
33	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
34	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
35	26	27	28	29	30	31	

School Holidays highlighted BLUE

Bank holidays 2023/24 UK

25 December '23	Christmas Day	1 January '24	New Year's Day
26 December '23	Boxing Day	29 March '24	Good Friday

School Inset days in RED

1 Sept '23	20 Oct '23	22 July '24
6 Oct '23	3 June '24	
1 April '24	Easter Monday	
6 May '24	Early May Bank Holiday	

27 May '24	Spring Bank Holiday
26 August '24	August Bank Holiday

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