

NEWSLETTER - FRIDAY 9th NOVEMBER

CLASS DOJO

As you will be aware we are now Class Dojo as part of our reward system in school. Children collect rewards for positive behaviours such as teamwork, being helpful and good lunchtime behaviour. You will have recently received a letter with a parent log-in to enable you to look at your child's record to see how many rewards your child has received. Within the app is a messaging facility which allows you to message the class teacher. Could we ask that this is only used to acknowledge your child's achievements, for example, to say how pleased you are. If you have any questions, messages or issues to discuss please contact your child's class teacher separately as we are unable to answer individual messages. Thank you.

PARENT GOVERNORS

We are looking to appoint two Parent Governors to our Governing Body. The Governing Body is a board of volunteers representing parents, the Local Authority, community and staff. They work closely with the school, supporting and challenging the Head Teacher and leadership school to ensure the school provides the highest standards of education. If you are interested please read the information attached, which gives the process for nomination and election. If you have any further questions please contact Mrs Poole.

READING CHALLENGE

Below are the results of last half term's reading challenge. **WELL DONE** to all the children who read at least three times each week and thank you to parents for your support. Let's see if we can have even more children meeting the challenge by Christmas.

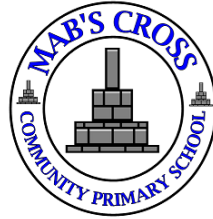
Class	Number who read 3 times
R - Mrs Cunliffe	9/22
R - Mrs Jones	8/22
R - Mrs Martin	7/22
Y1 - Mrs Martinus	22/30
Y1 - Mrs Alcock	20/29
Y1/2 - Mrs Gallagher	22/30
Y2 - Miss Roberts	15/20
Y2 - Miss Mulcrow	24/29
Y3 - Miss Rothwell	22/35
Y3 - Miss Atherton	27/35
Y4 - Mrs Thompson	11/34
Y4 - Miss Browne	15/34
Y5 - Mrs Hutchinson	10/34
Y5 - Mr Walsh	20/35
Y6 - Miss Malins	18/34
Y6 - Mrs Housley / Mrs Smith	Best class! 33/35 Well done!

MISS ROBERTS'S CLASS ASSEMBLY

On **Wednesday 21st November** Miss Roberts's class will be presenting their assembly to the other Key Stage 1 children. Parents of Miss Roberts's class are invited to come and watch the assembly which starts at **9.05 a.m.**

NUTS

Please could we ask parents not to send in items in lunchboxes which contain nuts as we have several children in school with severe nut allergies - thank you.



Are you interested in being a Parent Governor?

Information about our school:

- ❖ Mab's Cross Primary School is a community primary school.
- ❖ We have 480 children on roll
- ❖ We have been judged to be a 'good' school by Ofsted (June 2014)
- ❖ The Governing Body is made up of: 3 Parent Governors, 1 Local Authority Governor, 1 Staff Governor, 6 Co-opted Governors and the Head Teacher

The main aim of the Governing Body:

- ❖ To promote high standards of educational achievement at the school

Governor Responsibilities:

- ❖ Providing challenge and holding the Head Teacher to account for the educational performance of pupils and the school as a whole
- ❖ Setting the ethos, vision and strategic direction of the school
- ❖ Partaking in the composition and approval of policies, plans and targets
- ❖ Ensuring best value and financial continuity through the setting and monitoring of the school budget
- ❖ Working closely with the Head Teacher and Senior Leadership Team

What's required of Governors:

- ❖ Attendance at meetings (generally two or three per term – these are usually post 5 p.m.)
- ❖ Preparation for the meetings (reading and familiarizing yourself with the relevant documents)
- ❖ Participation in working groups
- ❖ Background reading and self-study
- ❖ Undertaking relevant training and giving feedback to the Governing Body
- ❖ Contribution to discussions
- ❖ Visits into school throughout the year

What Governors get in return:

- ❖ Support and guidance from staff, colleagues and Local Authority officers
- ❖ Relevant training courses
- ❖ Enhanced analytical and investigative skills
- ❖ The opportunity to help plan, shape and be part of the school's future
- ❖ A greater knowledge and understanding of 21st century education
- ❖ Immense role satisfaction, knowing that you are working toward helping to provide the best possible education for children

Still interested?

We would particularly like to recruit governors who have a business or financial background, or who have an active role in the local community, to complement the skills we already have amongst our members.

Next steps – Find someone to propose you and complete the attached forms.

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**MAB'S CROSS COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL
GOVERNING BODY**

ELECTION OF TWO PARENT GOVERNORS

Nominations are invited no later than **Tuesday 20th November** for the election of two Parent Governors to serve on our school's Governing Body. The term of office will be for four years commencing from the date the result of the election is declared.

Candidates must be a parent or have parental responsibility for a registered pupil in attendance at the school on the day the nomination forms are distributed and who is willing to accept appointment if elected. Anyone who is an elected member of the Wigan Council or works at the school for more than 500 hours in any school year, is not eligible to stand for election as a Parent Governor. Nominations may be made by parents of registered pupils at the school (this should not be the nominee).

Please read the attached sheet for further information about this role.

In the event of a contested election a secret ballot will be held and candidates may submit with this nomination form a written statement of no more than 150 words in support of his/her nomination.

This nomination form must be returned to the Head Teacher, Mrs Poole, at the school **no later than 10.00 a.m. on Tuesday 20th November.**

Successful candidates will on appointment be required to complete a DBS Check.

