



MANOR PRIMARY

Newsletter

13 September 2024

Welcome Back!

Welcome back to our returning pupils and families, and a warm welcome to all the new ones joining us! We hope you had a wonderful summer break and are enjoying settling into new routines.

It has been such a pleasure to see the children so happy in their new classes and engaging with their learning so positively. We are all excited for the year ahead!

Rock It!

We have welcomed Mr Hudson and Miss Howells from Rock It! They have started teaching whole-class music lessons from Year 2 to Year 6.

As mentioned in a previous letter, they will also be running a range of music clubs after school, along with individual music lessons during the day. Rock It will also be offering some workshops and assemblies throughout the year. This is an exciting development to our music curriculum and wider opportunities for our pupils!

Lunches

Our lunch times have seen several changes from last year. In the hall, our new caterers are serving updated menus, which the children are really enjoying. While we're still working out a few kinks in the ordering system, we remain on track to roll out school meals to all pupils after the October half-term.

Outside, Miss Gomery and the team have transformed the lunchtime experience with different zones for the children to enjoy. These include supervised sports games, music for dancing, construction areas, and cosy corners for reading.

Grammar Schools

Good luck to our pupils who are taking the 11+ test tomorrow. Stay calm, do your best, and remember how much you have already achieved!

PTA Meeting

The first Parent Teacher Association (PTA) meeting of the year will be held on Thursday 10th October at 7pm. Our PTA is a friendly, welcoming group that meets throughout the year to organise events, raise funds, and strengthen our sense of community. Meetings take place in the school staff room, with tea, coffee, and biscuits provided. We are always in need of more volunteers, and a variety of skills is invaluable, so we would love for you to join us!

Our Values

This year, we will be focusing on developing our core values that underpin our motto of "Be the best you can be":



kindness



respect

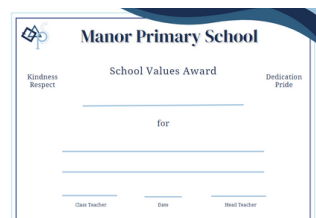


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dedication

We introduced new certificates in today's assemblies to celebrate children who have displayed these values during the week.



Throughout the year, we will continue to connect our learning and our evolving behaviour policy to these core values. This approach will also help us address important issues of diversity, inclusion, and tolerance within our school community. The summer riots and recent incidents of racist graffiti in the local area have only reinforced the need for this vital work.

Last year, we appointed Miss Greally as our Diversity Lead, and Mrs Pape (RE Lead) organised visits to various places of worship for this year to help our children understand different faiths and ways of life. We are also enhancing our school resources and updating texts to better reflect the diverse society we live in.

September	
Friday 20th	Macbeth performance (for Y6)
Friday 27th	Macmillan Coffee Morning
October	
Wednesday 2nd	Open Day (10am and 2pm)
Thursday 10th	Open Day (10am and 2pm)
Thursday 10th	PTA Meeting (7pm start)
Monday 14th	Parent/Carer Evening: EYFS/KS1
Tuesday 15th	Parent/Carer Evening: All
Wednesday 16th	Parent/Carer Evening: KS2
Monday 21st	Open Evening (5.30pm)
Tuesday 22nd	PTA Discos: EYFS / LKS2
Wednesday 23rd	PTA Discos: KS1 / UKS2
HALF TERM: 28th-1st	