



# Parents' Newsletter 18

Friday 23rd May 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a very busy half term!

## Achievements

Today we celebrated six children who have been superstars this week.



- \* **Colton Burgess** – for settling well into school life at Manor and making new friends.
- \* **Finley Whittaker** – for fantastic writing in RE.
- \* **Lucas Wilson** – for writing a great recount.
- \* **Eleanor John** – for brilliant work with fractions.
- \* **Hendrik Potgeiter** – for expression when reading.
- \* **Daisy Chance** – for great ideas in RE lessons.

Great work everyone!

## Tennis Festival

On 13<sup>th</sup>, we joined other children from across the New Forest at a Tennis Festival at Totton and Eling Tennis Club.



## Oak Trip to All Saints

On Monday, the children in Year 1 visited All Saints Church as part of their 'Special Places' unit in RE. The children met with Reverend Alison, looked at features of the church and learnt about the importance of a church to Christians.



## Teddy Bears' Picnic

Thank you to Mrs Welling for organising a lovely event for the Holly Class families this week. The children really enjoyed making (and eating) the biscuits





and fruit kebabs! If you were able to come along, we hope that you enjoyed the event.

### Bottle Donations

Thank you very much for your bottle donations today. The bottles will be used for the tombola stall at our summer fayre on 21<sup>st</sup> June.



### May Attendance

Well done to **Chestnut Class** who had the highest attendance record for May with **96.33%**.

Class	Attendance for May
Holly Class	91.99%
Oak Class	94.25%
Chestnut Class	<b>96.33%</b>

Our whole school attendance, year to date is **95.3%**.

### School Absences and Penalty Notices

We would like to thank all parents and carers who work hard in partnership with us to ensure that their children attend school regularly and punctually. We would like to thank our parents/carers in particular, for responding so effectively to the changes in law related to leave of absence from school being for exceptional circumstances only.

Similarly to the world of work, pupils should only be absent or late to school when they are ill or for medical or dental appointments (where these cannot be scheduled outside school hours). Any other absence needs to be requested and in all cases the decision is the headteacher's. In law, parents/carers are committing an

offence if they fail to ensure the regular and punctual attendance of their child at the school. If your child is absent and the school have not authorised this then this is subject to legal action through a fine or prosecution.

If a child has 10 or more unauthorised sessions (5 days) in a 100 day period the school will initiate a penalty notice. As mentioned in Newsletter 1, the new 'National Framework for Penalty Notices for Schools', published by the Department of Education came into effect from 19th August 2024.

The cost of a penalty notice is now £80 if paid within 21 days and £160 if paid within 28 days. Penalty notices are issued for each child and for both parents.

If you chose to take your child on a second holiday within a three-year rolling period, a Penalty Notice of £160 will automatically be issued.

If a third holiday is taken in a three year period, the school will refer the case to the Legal Intervention Team for consideration of a prosecution.

### Staffing Update

Sadly we will be saying farewell to Mrs Hampton at the end of the summer term as she has been appointed as a full time class teacher at Hazelwood Infant School from September. Mrs Hampton will be sadly missed by the whole teaching team. She has worked at Manor for the last ten years, firstly as a supply teacher and then as one of our Year R class teachers. We wish her all the best for her new role.



We are pleased to let you know that Mrs Whitfield, our cover teacher at Manor, has





been appointed to work alongside Mrs Welling from September. Mrs Whitfield brings a wealth of Early Years and Key Stage One teaching experience to our staffing team.

### Makaton

This week we have been learning the sign for 'please'.



<p>please</p>	
<p>Bring finger tips to chin and then bring arm down in a long arch</p>	

And finally...

We hope that you have a lovely half term break and look forward to seeing the children back at school on **Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June**.

Best wishes,

**Michelle Hale**  
Headteacher

### Diary Dates 2024-25

Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Half term
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	INSET day
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 Listen2Me Concert at 9am – parents welcome
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 swimming morning
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 swimming morning
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 swimming morning
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 phonics screening week
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Class Photos
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 swimming morning
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Clean Air Day
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	2pm – 3pm 4's Club session 1
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	PTFA Summer Fayre
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Year 2 trip to Buckler's Hard
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Morning followed by a picnic lunch
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 Transition afternoon at Blackfield Primary
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	2pm – 3pm 4's Club session 2
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Year 2 Leavers' Service at Romsey Abbey – more details to follow
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Year 2 transition morning at Cadland Primary
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 2 transition day at Blackfield Primary
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	2pm – 3pm 4's Club session 3
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 1 Listen2Me Concert at 9am – parents welcome
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July	2pm – 3pm 4's Club session 4
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Praizin' Hands – All Change performance for Year 2
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Work sharing 3.20pm – 4.30pm
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	1.30pm Year 2 Leavers' Service
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Last day of the summer term
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Start of the Summer holidays

*Great effort has been taken to ensure that dates are correct at the time of publication; however, they may be subject to change. We will inform you when it is possible to invite parents / carers into the school building.*

*PTFA events in blue*

All dates are available on the school website.