



Parents' Newsletter 15

Friday 25th April 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back! We hope that you had a lovely Easter.

Exciting New Topics

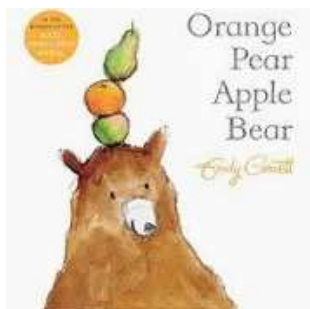
The teachers have been busy planning



some very exciting learning opportunities for the children this term. In Year R the topic is 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt', in Year 1 the children are learning about 'The Lady with the Lamp' and in year 2 the topic is 'We're off to Rwanda'. The children in year 1 have been very animated when telling me about a mystery object that appeared in their classroom. The 'hooks' for each topic have excited the children about the learning that is to come! Topic newsletters have been sent home this week.

This Term's Authors

Each term, every class focuses on books by a different author. This term our focus authors are...



Class:	Focus Author / Books
Holly Class	Books by Emily Gravett
Oak Class:	Books by Julia Jarman
Chestnut Class:	Books by Caryl Hart

Maths Booklets



Maths booklets have also been sent home this week. The booklets contain an overview of the Maths curriculum for this term and ideas for ways that you can support your child with Maths at home.

Solent Mind

Emily Sleaf from Solent Mind has returned to Manor this term to deliver a series of mental health and well-being workshops to the children in Years 1 and 2. On Tuesday the focus of the session was '5 Steps to Being Happy and Healthy' -



- Connecting with others;
- Being active;
- Taking notice;
- Learning new things;
- Giving or helping others.

The children had some great responses and recorded the 5 Steps on a rainbow.




We will need some empty small water bottles to make calming glitter bottles in a few weeks. If you have any at home, please can you rinse them out send them into school for us to use. Thank you.








Values Day

On Tuesday we launched our new values with the children. Each teacher led a session focusing on one of our new values: Love, Courage and Hope.


Love - Selfless service to others - putting others before ourselves.



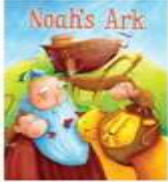
Bible stories that help us understand Love.

Joseph and His Coat of Many Colours Genesis 37 	The Good Samaritan Luke 10 	Healing the Paralyised Man Mark 2 
		


Courage - Enduring in our commitment to what is right and true - not giving in to discouragement.







Bible stories that help us understand Courage.

Noah's Ark Genesis 6-7 	David and Goliath 1 Samuel 17 	Jesus' Special Friends Luke 6 
		

Hope - Sharing in the joy that comes from the belief that all is never lost.



Bible stories that help us understand Hope.

Moses Parts the Red Sea Exodus 13-15 	The Mustard Seed Luke 8 	Jesus Calms the Storm Mark 4 
		

Yesterday the children produced some art work for our new values. We will be working with Debbie Wakefield, a local

ceramic artist, to create a piece of work that displays our new values.

My Happy Mind



We are very pleased to be able to

tell you about a new resource that we are adopting at Manor. myHappyMind was created for schools with a very simple mission: to give today's children the skills to thrive in tomorrow's world. The programmes give children the preventative strategies, skills and tools they need to thrive in the modern world.

On Wednesday Miss Allinson led an assembly introducing the resources and the characters that we will use. We will keep you updated.

Makaton

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



drink 	
 Small movement	



And finally...

Don't forget, our Free Early Bird Club has now started from 8.20am. If you would like your child to attend, please sign up on Arbor or email the school office adminoffice@manor.hants.sch.uk if you have any issues.

Best wishes,

Michelle Hale
Headteacher

Diary Dates 2024-25

Tuesday 13 th May	Solent Mind session 4 with Years 1 and 2
Wednesday 14 th May	Praizin' Hands – Fire Safety Performance
Tuesday 20 th May	Solent Mind session 5 with Years 1 and 2
Monday 26 th – Friday 30 th May	Half term
Monday 2 nd June	INSET day
Thursday 5 th June	Year 2 Listen2Me Concert at 9am – parents welcome
Thursday 5 th June	Year 2 swimming morning
Friday 6 th June	Year 2 swimming morning
Monday 9 th June	Year 2 swimming morning
Monday 9 th June	Year 1 phonics screening week
Wednesday 11 th June	Class Photos
Thursday 12 th June	Year 2 swimming morning
Thursday 19 th June	Clean Air Day
Friday 20 th June	2pm – 3pm 4's Club session 1
Saturday 21st June	PTFA Summer Fayre
Wednesday 25 th June	Sports Morning followed by a picnic lunch
Friday 27 th June	2pm – 3pm 4's Club session 2
Thursday 3 rd July	Year 2 Leavers' Service at Romsey Abbey – more details to follow
Friday 4 th July	2pm – 3pm 4's Club session 3
Thursday 10 th July	Year 1 Listen2Me Concert at 9am – parents welcome
Friday 11 th July	2pm – 3pm 4's Club session 4
Wednesday 16 th July	Praizin' Hands – All Change performance for Year 2
Tuesday 22 nd July	1.30pm Year 2 Leavers' Service
Tuesday 22 nd July	Last day of the summer term
Wednesday 23 rd 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.