



# Parents' Newsletter 8

Monday 13th January 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,



I hope that you all had a fantastic Christmas break. It has been lovely to hear all about the children's holidays and wonderful to see them

come back into school with smiles on their faces.

## Core Values

As a Voluntary Controlled Church of England School we review our core values every three years. As part of our INSET day on Monday 6th January, we reviewed our school vision and values with Sue Bowen, an education Advisor from the Diocese.

'Love', 'Trust' and 'Truth' have been our school values for the last 11 years and we feel that they are really embedded across the school. Monday's review was an opportunity for us to think about which values our children need now.

Our staffing team, governors and children have chosen 'Courage' and 'Hope' as new values.

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

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

We would like your views on a third value. The most popular options to choose from are: Peace, Respect, Truth and Love.

We would really appreciate it if you could take a few moments to complete the

Google survey that was sent out by email today. The closing date is Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January.

## Curriculum Update

All of the teachers have been very busy planning exciting topics for this half term. Year R's topic is 'Who's Afraid of the Dark?', Year 1's topic is 'Toys' and 2's topic is 'Katie's Magical Island'. More details of all of the learning for this term can be found on the school website [www.manorinfant.co.uk](http://www.manorinfant.co.uk)

## Themed Lunch

This week the lunch menu has changed slightly. Please see the details below:

	<b>Red Meat option:</b>	<b>Green Vegetarian option:</b>
<b>Tuesday 14th</b>	Pork Sausage Hot Dog	Vegetarian Cottage Pie
<b>Wednesday 15th</b>	Roast Pork and Yorkshire Pudding	Quorn and Leek Pastry Crown
<b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Katie Morag's Party Menu</b>	Chicken Nuggets	Margarita Pizza

## First Aid Notifications



We will no longer be issuing paper notes for first aid incidents at school. If your child has received first aid during the school day you will now receive an email via Arbor.



Children will continue to receive a bumped head sticker if they have bumped their head.

**Spring Term Clubs**



There are still spaces available for our Spring term clubs. If you would like to book a session or series of sessions for your child, please do so via the Arbor app.

	Lunch club	After school club
Monday		Forest Schools with Mrs Lucas
Tuesday		Football Club with Coach Robbie
Wednesday		Multi-skills with Coach Beth
Thursday	Quest (Year 2)	Dance with Chantelle
Friday	Football Club with Coach Meg	Football with Coach Meg

**Applications for Year R and Year 3 – September 2025**



REMINDER: If you have a child who is due to start school in September or is due to start Year 3, don't forget to apply for their place before **15th January**. Applications can be made on-line via the following link

<http://www3.hants.gov.uk/education/admissions/ad-guidance/main-admissions-round.htm> or by paper copy. Paper copies of application forms are available in our school office.

**RSPB Bird Watch – 26 - 28 January**



Be wowed by your local wildlife! The Big Garden

Birdwatch is for everyone, whether you're a complete beginner or a birding expert. If you would like to take part with your family, all you need to do is count the birds that you see in your garden or in your local park for one hour between 26 and 28 January. To take part please sign up on the RSPB webpage <https://www.rspb.org.uk/>

**Help and Support Available to New Forest Residents**



Alongside this email you will receive a leaflet detailing the support available to New Forest residents. It contains information on the FareShare food larders visit sites across the New Forest with supplies of dried, fresh and chilled food available to FareShare members. It is free to become a member and you only pay a small fee each week for up to 25 food items (dried, fresh and chilled). Bring your own bags.

- 1 person household £2.50 per week
- 2 person household £3.50 per week
- 4 person household £5.00 per week

**Children's Mental Health Week**



Children's Mental Health Week is taking place from **3rd – 9th February**. The theme for 2025 is focus is 'Know Yourself, Grow Yourself', with the aim to equip and empower children and young people across the UK to



embrace self-awareness and explore what it means to them.

### Safer Internet Day

Safer Internet Day 2025 will be held on **Tuesday 11th**

**February** with celebrations and learning based around the theme ‘Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online’.



Coordinated in the UK by the UK Safer Internet Centre, the day sees thousands of organisations get involved to promote the safe, responsible and positive use of digital technology for children and young people.

Safer Internet Day is a springboard for conversations that shape how we talk about and respond to online issues, not just for one day, but throughout the whole year. From gaming and chat, to streaming and video, young people are shaping the interactive entertainment spaces they are a part of.

### Parent Consultation Meetings



Parent consultation meetings will take place on **Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th February**. We hope that all parents will be able to attend so that we can share with you the progress that your child is making. An email will be sent to you in advance so that you can book an appointment online.

Best wishes,

**Michelle Hale**  
Headteacher

### Diary Dates 2024-25

Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	Children’s Mental Health Week
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> February	PTFA Quiz Night
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents’ Evening
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Parents’ Evening
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	Half term
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	INSET Day
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Praizin’ Hands Easter Performance
24 <sup>th</sup> March – 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Work Sharing 3.20pm – 4pm – parents and carers welcome
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Easter Service
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> April – Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Holidays
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	Easter Monday – school closed
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Children return to school
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Praizin’ Hands - Fire Safety Performance
Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	Half term
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	INSET day
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 phonics screening week
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	Class Photos
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Praizin’ Hands – All Change performance for Year 2
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Morning followed by a picnic lunch
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.