



Parents' Newsletter 5

Friday 8th November 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back. We hope that you had an enjoyable half term.

Attendance

We aim to promote good school attendance at Manor as it is an important part of giving your child the best start in life, both academically and socially. Our target is to achieve **96%** or better attendance.

At the end of October, our whole school attendance was **96.06%** since the start of this term.

Holly Class had the highest attendance record for October with **98.39%**.

Class	Attendance for October
Holly Class	98.39%
Oak Class	95.65%
Chestnut Class	93.89%

Be Bright Be Seen

Thursday 24th October was 'Be Bright Be Seen Day'. The children learnt

about the importance of wearing reflective clothing at night time and looked fantastic in their brightly coloured clothes.



Year 2 Science Walk

This week Chestnut Class were out and



about around Holbury looking for signs of seasonal change. They spotted lots of ducks at the Manor pond.

Love in a Box

Thank you to all of the families who have taken part in the Mustard Seed Charity's 'Love in a Box' appeal this year. Mustard Seed Charity has been operating since 1992 and sends out much needed aid to disadvantaged children and young persons in Eastern Europe. Our shoe boxes will be sent to children in Moldova this year.



Remembrance Day

Please support the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.



An assortment of Poppy Appeal items are now available in the school office; these include bracelets, slap bands and poppies.

On Monday the children are invited to come to school dressed as an evacuee.



Global Neighbours

We are really pleased to let you know that we have been awarded the Bronze Award for Global Neighbours. The accreditation programme celebrates schools which are helping pupils learn about global poverty and the Christian responsibility to tackle it, as well as giving them the tools to play a confident part in creating a fairer world.

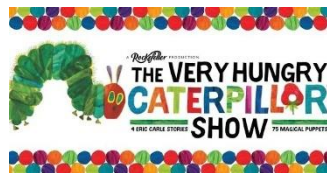


The full report can be found on our website.
<https://www.manorinfant.co.uk/global-neighbours/>

MAST

Mayflower Trip

REMINDER: On Wednesday 4th



December we will be taking all of the children to the theatre to see a performance of 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar Christmas Show'. Please send in your permission slip and £8 contribution towards the trip as soon as possible.

Odd Socks Day

We will be taking part in Odd Socks Day on



Wednesday 13th November as part of Anti Bullying Week. This is a great way to celebrate what makes us all unique during Anti Bullying Week.

Children in Need

On **Friday 15th November** we will be supporting 'Children in Need'. All of the children are welcome to take part in the Dress Up Challenge by wearing

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non uniform. The children can dress up as a super hero, wear spotty clothes or any type of non-uniform. Kelly, our school cook, is making Pudsey biscuits for every child in the school. In return, we ask parents to make a donation of £1 towards the charity.

Safeguarding

Please be aware that if you are worried about a child, you can contact the school Designated Safeguarding Lead, Mrs Munns or you can refer to Children's Services 0300 555 1381. To read the school's Child Protection Policy visit <https://www.manorinfant.co.uk/policies/>

Parenting Smart (Place2Be)



The children's mental health charity, Place2Be, has a website aimed at helping parents with typical situations they can find themselves in with their children.

Advice can be found on over forty topics including:

- Understanding sibling rivalry
- My child is lying, what does it mean, what should I do?
- My child has trouble going to sleep
- My child says 'I hate you!'
- Cultural identity: who am I?

The Parenting Smart website can found here:

<https://parentingsmart.place2be.org.uk/>

New Lunch Menu

This term there is a new lunch menu. You can view the choices by clicking on the following link:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/educationandle>



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Forest School Stay and Play Session



It was lovely to welcome lots of pre-school children to Manor on Wednesday for a Stay and Play Forest School session. We have received really positive feedback from families in the community. Our next Stay and Play session will take place at **9.15am on Friday 22nd November**.

If you know of a child who is due to start school in September 2025, please share the date with them. This is a **free session** that can be booked by emailing the school office.

Nativity – The Donkey Seller



Next week you will receive a letter regarding tickets for our Christmas nativity. Two tickets will be allocated per child. Please complete the reply slip and return it to school by **Wednesday 4th December**.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Michelle Hale
Headteacher

Diary Dates 2024-25

Monday 11 th November	Remembrance Day – children can dress as an evacuee in exchange for a donation to the British Red Cross
Monday 11 th – Friday 15 th November	Anti-Bullying Week – Theme – Choose Respect
Wednesday 13 th November	Odd Sock Day
Friday 15 th November	Children in Need 2024 – non uniform day in exchange for a £1 donation to the charity
Monday 18 th – Friday 22 nd November	Inter-Faith Week
Monday 18 th November	Open Morning
Friday 22 nd November	PTFA Bring a Bottle Day in exchange for wearing non-uniform
Friday 22 nd November	Forest School Stay and Play Session
Wednesday 27 th November	Year 2 trip to Calshot Castle
Friday 29 th November	Christmas Craft Day
Wednesday 4 th December	Whole school trip to the MAST Mayflower
Friday 6 th December	PTFA Christmas Fayre 3.30pm – 5.30pm No After School Club
Monday 9 th December	Nativity Dress Rehearsal
Tuesday 10 th December	Nativity – 9.30am
Wednesday 11 th December	Nativity – 2.30pm
Thursday 12 th December	Nativity – 9.30am – adults only, no younger siblings
Friday 13 th December	PTFA Christmas Wrap Room
Monday 16 th December	Work Sharing 3.20pm – 4pm – parents and carers welcome
Tuesday 17 th December	Christmas Lunch
Tuesday 17 th December	Christingle Service at All Saints Church – more details to follow
Thursday 19 th December	9am Year 1 Listen 2 Me Concert – parents and carers welcome
Thursday 19 th December	Christmas parties and disco after school



Friday 20 th December	Last day of the Autumn term
Monday 23 rd Dec – Friday 3 rd January	Christmas Holidays
Monday 6 th January	INSET Day
Tuesday 7 th January	Start of the Spring term
Monday 3 rd – Friday 7 th February	Children's Mental Health Week
Tuesday 11 th February	Parents Evening
Wednesday 12 th February	Parents Evening
Monday 17 th – Friday 21 st February	Half term
Monday 24 th February	INSET Day
Thursday 6 th March	World Book Day
Thursday 27 th March	Work Sharing 3.20pm – 4pm – parents and carers welcome
Thursday 3 rd April	Easter Service
Monday 7 th April – Friday 18 th April	Easter Holidays
Monday 21 st April	Children return to school
Monday 5 th May	Bank Holiday
Monday 26 th – Friday 30 th May	Half term
Monday 2 nd June	INSET day
Monday 9 th June	Year 1 phonics screening week
Wednesday 25 th June	Sports Morning followed by a picnic lunch
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.

All dates are available on the school website.