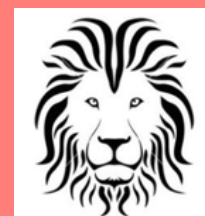


MANOR PRIMARY ACADEMY

Spring Term Newsletter



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Snow Business

Phew! That was close! We somehow managed to avoid any major disruption and any closures from this week's snow. With a few adjustments school carried on smoothly. The children who had appropriate clothing (and wanted to!) went out and played on the field. Thank you to Grayson for bringing a couple of carrots in to complete the new pupil in the centre of the photo to the right!

New Signs

You should soon see some new signs appearing at the front of school with our new name on. One sign should make us a bit more visible from the road. This comes from the grant we get to cover the costs of our conversion to academy.

School Council

The children of school council have set out the Kindness is Cool Rock Garden (see photo at end of letter) and have met with House Captains to decide the end of term House Point reward and target. If the school get 550 House Points in total each child will win an Easter Egg to take home on the last day.

World Book Day

Thank you to everyone who supported World Book Day by dressing up as characters from Traditional Tales. We had a huge range of outfits from Pinocchio to the Gruffalo, Robin Hood to Little Red Riding Hood. There were some fun activities through the day and lots of photos that you can see below.

Tennis

Penguins and Owls have had their first tennis lesson with Matt Bode, the tennis coach from Spital Hill Tennis Club. The budding Emma Raducanu and Andy Murrays seemed to enjoy it. Unfortunately the weather put paid to this week's lesson but fingers crossed for next week.

Fun in the Snow!



Dates for Your Diary

March	
15 th / 16 th	Possible Teacher strike days
17 th	2:30pm KS2 Mothers' Day Afternoon Tea
20 th	Owls visit to Cadbury World 2:30pm KS1 Mothers' Day Afternoon Tea
21 st	Class and leavers' photos Swans to library bus
22 nd	Swans visit to RAF Cosford
23 rd	Maths parent workshop 9-10am
24 th	Parent Forum
27 th	Easter Film Night
30 th	Pm Owls Easter performance
31 st	Easter Menu Easter biscuit sale Easter bonnets/hats (EYFS/KS1) and science themed egg diorama competition (KS2) Break up for Easter
April	
17 th	INSET Day – School closed to pupils
18 th	Children return to school
24 th	Y5/6 dodgeball team at Thomas Barnes
May	
1 st	Bank Holiday Monday
8 th	Bank Holiday
w/c 8 th	KS2 SATS Tests

Curriculum Coverage over the Next Two Weeks

Assessment week next week for these three classes

Swans	
Reading	Y2 - focusing on 'The Last Wolf' by Mini Grey Y1 - Little Wandle phase specific texts
Writing	writing our own travel journals
Maths	introducing multiplication
Owls	
Reading	retrieval and vocabulary skills using a non-fiction text about Katherine Johnson
Writing	sentence stacking for an explanation text based around the digestive system
Maths	yr 4 -converting fractions from improper fractions to mixed number fractions

Wrap Around Care



Before and after school care is available as usual for all children who are in school. Contact the school office to book a place.

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Teacher Strikes

Next week on Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March there is due to be a two day teacher strike. This will have the same effect as previous strikes so we are currently planning to close for both days to the majority of children again. If there is a resolution between the union and government before then it could be called off but please assume it is going ahead unless we tell you different.

Easter Competition

The day before we break up for Easter we will have an Easter Bonnet/Hat parade for EYFS and KS1. KS2 will have an egg diorama competition on the theme of 'science'. This should be no bigger than a shoe box size. It could depict a scientist or an element of

Owls Music Sad to say that Mrs Williams has moved on to work with another school after many years with us. The fabulous Mrs McAusland who we have had several times before has now taken over.		yr 3 - plotting fractions onto number lines and comparing fractions	the science curriculum. As long as it contains an egg as a key part of it and has a link to science it will be judged. If you want any ideas, then do talk to a member of staff.
	Penguins		
	Reading	Fiction- Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo	
	Writing	Poetry - Read, discuss and write poetry inspired by space.	
	Maths	Shape with a focus on angles.	



Star of the week

Well done to the following children who have been awarded Star of the Week for this week's value and for excellent work:



Nurture - we are kind and look after each other!

**Timmy
Alena**

**Alex I
Molly
Annabelle**

**Alfie N
Evie
Echo**

**Alice
Matthew**

We are MANOR



World Book Day!

Children dressed as characters from Traditional Tales. They had great fun rewriting the 'real version' of the Three Little Pigs (or so the wolf says!), reading to partners from a different class and celebrating reading and books. Can you guess the traditional tale from the groups below the staff photo?

Choose from: Little Red Riding Hood, Goldilocks and the Three Bears, Peter Pan, Dick Whittington, Snow White, Alice in Wonderland, Robin Hood, Cinderella (and Prince Charming) and The Wizard of Oz.









Fun in the Snow at Forest School



Robins and Ducklings enjoying using saws, building robots, climbing the new climbing wall, making and of course eating pancakes.





**School Council set out their 'Kindness is Cool Rock Garden'.
Each rock was painted with a message or image of kindness by the
children across school. If any children want to paint another rock at home
and bring it in we have room for lots more!**

