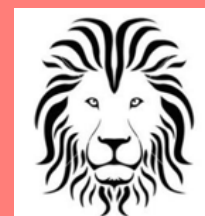


# MANOR PRIMARY ACADEMY

## Summer Term Newsletter



*Issue 4 'fighting the fires of our future' Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2023.*

### Year 5 Cross Country

Continuing the recent run of sporting success, the Year 5 cross country team did amazingly well to come a fabulous (and very close!) second to Dosthill in the boys cross country. There were over 60 runners from primary schools across Tamworth so our team of



Lucas, Luca, Joshua C, Joshua B, Archie and Matthew did brilliantly. When we arrived the boys saw the course and how it went all the way round the outside of the playing fields. They were just coming to terms with how long it was when we realised it was actually **twice** round! They all showed great Resilience to keep going and run the whole 1200 metres without stopping.

### Road Safety

We have received a report from a concerned parent who witnessed some of our older pupils acting dangerously while walking home after school. This has included running out into the road without looking on a blind bend and crossing close to a bus. Mrs Armstrong has spoken to her class about road safety following this. Unfortunately this is not the first report we have had this year. We do believe that Year 5 and 6 children are generally ready to build some independence in walking short distances home or to a car with written permission from a parent before they start to travel further in Year 7. However, if

### Dates for Your Diary

June	
13 <sup>th</sup>	Swans to Ash End Farm
16 <sup>th</sup>	Father's Day 'Ploughman's lunch'
19 <sup>th</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Penguins to Laches Wood
20 <sup>th</sup>	Y3/4 tennis festival at Spital Tennis Club
21 <sup>st</sup>	New to Nursery and Reception parents meeting – 5:30pm
27 <sup>th</sup>	Y5/6 tennis tournament
30 <sup>th</sup>	Pm – Owls to Coton Centre for 'Doods' concert
July	
w/c 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Transition week including Y6 to High schools on Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> . More detail to follow.
w/c 10 <sup>th</sup>	Fierté Festival week based on sports.
12 <sup>th</sup>	9:30-11:30am – Sports Day – Parents invited
19 <sup>th</sup>	Penguins performances 9:30am and 5:30pm
20 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 Leavers' BBQ and rounders with staff
21 <sup>st</sup>	Leavers' service pm Break up for summer

### INSET Dates 2023/24

School will be closed for staff training on the following dates next school year:

**Mon 4<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024**

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

**Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024**

### Curriculum Coverage over the Next Two Weeks

Swans	
Reading	Y1 Phase appropriate Little Wandle texts Y2 - Making comparisons between texts
Writing	Writing our own stories based on 'A Crow's Tale'
Maths	Addition and subtraction of numbers up to 100
Owls	
Reading	Children will write a review of a book and will also be comparing and contrasting books they have read this year, both class readers and their own books.
Writing	Begin sentence stacking a poem based around "The Sound Catcher" by Roger McGough.
Maths	Reading the time including to the nearest minute and using digital and analogue clocks. (watches will be given to children in the coming days for further practise)
Penguins	
Reading	Poetry 'The River by Valerie Bloom'- Focus to explore imagery in a poem.

### 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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### HS2 Volunteers

I know many of us have been impacted by the local HS2 works over the past months and years but there is an upside. We have had contact from Balfour Beattie Vinci (BBV) who are carrying out the local works and they have offered us lots of voluntary support. This week we have had a group of civil engineers and other BBV staff who showed the Owls and Penguins how they had created the Marston Box Bridge over the M42 and slid it into place creating a world record for the size and speed of construction. The children then worked with the STEM kits to build bridges that would carry a toy truck over a long distance. There was great teamwork and some aspiring civil engineers of the future among the

we have further concerns we will start to insist that pupils are met by an adult on the playground before we release them at the end of the day. Please could all parents remind their children about road safety to support the message the children are getting in school. I know you will all agree that the safety of our children is our first priority. Thank you for your support.	Writing	Descriptive writing - we will end the week by writing a description of a busy beach on a hot sunny afternoon.	children. BBV are also booked in to do lots of projects in school such as replacing the tables on the field, mending gates and fences, making a bird table, painting fences and classrooms and many other jobs. We are very grateful to them for their support which hopefully goes some way to make up for the disruption being caused during the construction period!
	Maths	Year 5 - Fractions, decimals and percentages recap with reasoning and problem solving. Year 6 - Range of projects and problem solving	

<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <b>Star of the week</b>          Well done to the following children who have been awarded Star of the Week for this week's value and for excellent work:  <u><b>Resilience! - We never give up.</b></u> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> </div>			
<b>Bella Maddox</b>	<b>Alex Mireya</b>	<b>Jacob Echo Dylan</b>	<b>Alice N Khiya Will</b>

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## Owls and Penguins – Aspiring Engineers

Bridge building on the field with visiting engineers and other HS2 staff. Great to see the children working together to solve the problems with some real experts in project management and engineering. Some future careers maybe?











## Swans – Aspiring Artists!

Great fun being creative with fruit on the field in the style of artist Giuseppe Arcimboldo.













