

Soar to Success—Self-Sufficient, Original, Attitude, Resilient



Manor Park
Primary
School

Newsletter
10th July
2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you and your families are safe and well. Next week will be our final week in school this term, as we are physically closing on Friday 17th July to all children, except for a very small number of key worker children who will attend school on Monday and Tuesday the following week. School will then close completely to all children and staff on Tuesday July 21st for the summer holiday. There will be no key worker provision in place at all over the summer holiday, in line with Government legislation. Key worker provision is now ending for all eligible families, as part of the Government plans for a proposed full return to school for all children in the autumn term, provided that all the safety measures set out by the Government are met.

Children in school and those working online, will all be given an opportunity to say goodbye to their class teachers and learning support assistants on Friday 17th, either on Seesaw or physically in school where this is possible. All Year 6 children have been invited into school on the afternoon of Friday 17th July to say goodbye to each other, sign shirts and have a socially distanced celebration, hopefully on the field. We would like to wish all our Year 6 children the greatest happiness and success in their new schools in September. We are so proud of them and all that they have achieved during their time with us. I hope that they take many happy memories with them, continue to follow their dreams and soar to success. Their new secondary schools are so lucky to have them. We hope that the children remember to come back and visit us to share their many successes. They are all stars.

To ensure that all children in school are given a strong induction to their new year group and class, the last two days of the summer term, Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st July, will be virtual induction days. From Friday lunchtime next week, we will be moving all children's Seesaw accounts over into their new classes. No new codes will be needed as children will continue working with their existing code, unless we issue your child with a new one. At 9 am on Monday 20th July, we strongly urge every child to log onto Seesaw to meet their new teacher and learning support assistant, who will be in school and able to show the children their new classrooms through video. The children and staff will spend two full days on Seesaw engaging in activities with their new teacher, linked to learning in their new class. If any families have any issues with being able to access this induction activity through Seesaw, please contact us to let us sort out an alternative form of communication with you.

The new school term begins on Tuesday September 1st which is a Local Authority set staff training day. Whilst we are fully committed to opening normally to all children on Wednesday 2nd September which is the first day of the autumn term for children, we will obviously have to continue to strictly adhere to Government and Local Authority guidance. The Government is making an announcement on August 11th about the full re-opening of schools. This is obviously a key date for us all to watch out for a national update. Coventry Local Authority has had to set up a Coventry Outbreak Plan as well as a Local School Plan to enable the city to deal with any regional Covid-19 outbreak. The Local Authority will be monitoring the infection levels in the city and will make a late announcement to schools as to whether the planned full re-opening of Coventry schools can take place. We will of course update you through the website and Twitter at any point over the holiday as and when we receive information. I will forward you a letter from the Local Authority giving details about their outbreak plan when it is sent to me. I will also issue you information next week about our operational plan for September. We are just completing our risk assessment outlining the procedures we intend to adopt, which needs to be approved by the Local Authority and unions.

Mrs Buckley has now written to all parents who have expressed an interest in booking CHAMPS wraparound care for their children in the autumn term. It is essential that places are booked so we can plan groupings of children who wish to attend into safe bubbles. We anticipate that this may have to be a reduced facility due to the imposed staffing and bubble restrictions. If any parents would like to book a place for their child but have not yet done so, can you contact Mrs Buckley by email k_buckley@manorpark.coventry.sch.uk to book sessions that you may want before Friday 17th July. We will then confirm bookings with parents before we break up.

Sarah Titterton (Miss T) will be leaving Manor Park at the end of this term to begin a new life in Cornwall, where she is joining a new school in Devon. Our very best wishes and huge thanks for everything that she has done at our school are sent with her at this very exciting time. She will be greatly missed by us all.

Finally, we have been busy working on our wonderful new website which is going live today. Make sure you have a look at the exciting learning that is planned for all our children in September. We will also be keeping you fully up to date with any developments through our newsletters and letters page, so keep checking the website over the holiday to keep in touch with us.

Have a lovely weekend. My very best wishes to everyone. I hope you enjoy the improved weather which is forecast. Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards, Jill O'Connor—Headteacher

Spotlight on learning in school this week...

Nursery

This week in Nursery, we have been learning all about positional language and farms. We had so much fun building and designing our own farms and learning where food comes from.



EYEP

This week in EYEP, we enjoyed making volcanoes and funny delicious sandwiches.



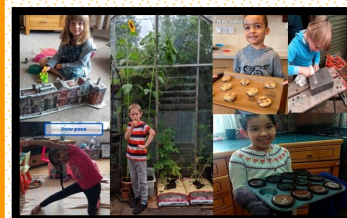
Year R



This week in Reception, we have been learning all about mini beasts and riddles. We had so much fun making spaghetti worms in mud and developing our fine motor skills to get them all.

Year 1

All of the Year 1 children have been fantastic in school and at home this week. They have been learning and developing so many new, interesting skills.



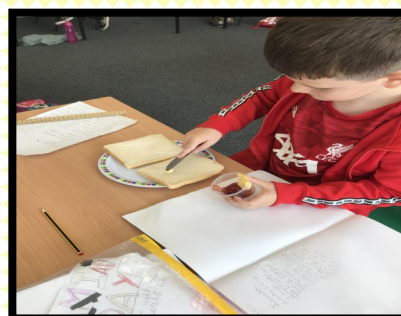
Year 2



bird plant pot

Year 2 have been getting creative at home and making their own plant pots. Here are a few...

Year 3



This week, the Year 3 key worker bubble have been writing instructions using imperative verbs and time adverbials. Today, we wrote instructions for how to make a jam sandwich, then we followed someone else's instructions to make the sandwich, with different degrees of success.

Year 4

What is bullying?

- Teasing
- Talking about hurting someone
- Spreading rumours
- Leaving kids out on purpose
- Hitting someone
- Shouting at someone
- Cyber bullying

What is cyber bullying?

- This is when you are being bullied on-line eg
 - On chats when gaming
 - Making nasty comments on social media
 - Nasty text messages
 - Setting up group chats and leaving people out then talking about them

What can you do?

- Talk to a parent or teacher if you are being bullied or if you see someone being bullied

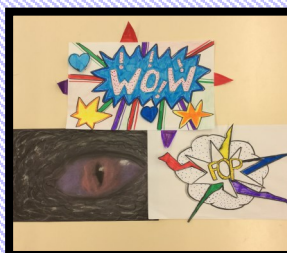
160,000 children around the world miss school everyday because of bullying

1 in 5 children around the world admit to being a bully at some point

Every 7 minutes a child is bullied

BULLYING Please don't do it! Manor Park is a no bullying zone!

This week, Year 4 were asked to create an anti-bullying fact file to help educate others on what bullying is and why it is wrong.



In school, children have created pop art and drawn dragon's eyes! Children at home have been learning about how fashion has changed over the ages.

Year 5

Year 6



In school, Year 6 have been making a fire and toasting marshmallows.

MANOR PARK NOTICES



Our theme for this week is:

'Connect'

As social creatures, we naturally need a level of interaction with others and to be connected. The bonds that we build with others helps to provide us with a sense of belonging, the feeling of being valued and accepted. Having positive connections with other people is good for our mental health and wellbeing. Building new, positive relationships and thinking about new starts can help us all to look forward; thinking about the positive and exciting challenges ahead. In school we are preparing to welcome our new classes and we are all looking forward to the planned transition sessions. We hope that you will engage fully with the activities on offer and that this will help you to feel confident and excited about September. We can't wait to have you all back.

Mrs Healy

Website/app of the week: <https://en.calameo.com/read/000777721945cfe5bb9cc?authid=Xu9pcOzU3TQx>

A full list of useful websites can be found on the SEN page of our school website.

Challenge of the week: Think about some questions you might want to ask your new teacher.



MANOR PARK NOTICES

VIRTUAL COFFEE MORNING



DOES YOUR CHILD OR
YOUNG PERSON HAVE
SPECIAL NEEDS?
HOW ARE YOU DOING?

Get in touch with us if you would like an invite to our Video Link Coffee Morning using Microsoft Teams App (we can help you with this). Meet other parents in a similar situation. Share with others in a friendly, non-judgemental environment, together with a member of staff from SENDIASS and Carers Trust Heart of England.

VIDEO LINK COFFEE MORNING

To request an invite and for further information contact:
SEND Information Advice and Support Service
Tel: 024 7669 4307 or email: iass@coventry.gov.uk

FRIDAY 17TH JULY 2020
(10:00 AM - 11:00 AM)

CHEYLESMORE FOOD HUB



**Struggling to feed your family?
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families in Cheylesmore and
Earlsdon Wards**

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