

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



Manor Park
Primary
School

Newsletter
9th October
2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that everybody in the school community is safe and well. Thank you for your continued cooperation during these unprecedented times. I can continue to report a very positive picture about school life. Attendance remains very high; at least 97% this week and in line with our figures pre lockdown, which reflects how all members of the whole school community are working together in keeping the transmission of the virus down. This is brilliant, as it means children are thriving in school and enjoying amazing learning experiences. Progress in learning is phenomenal and children are fully immersed in their new topics.

Black History Month 2020

Over the course of the month, the school will continue to learn about Black History, celebrate and recognise the contributions of significant individuals and role models in culture and society. All children have today participated in a virtual assembly and a themed day based on a text for each year group and associated Black History activities. Please check our whole school blog to capture a flavour of these exciting activities.

We are having to make a lot of adjustments to our autumn programme of events to support the Government restrictions imposed upon us. We will not be able to hold our annual open day for prospective families to look around school prior to applying for a reception or nursery school place for the new academic year. We will welcome individual families who would like to book an appointment to visit in a socially distanced meeting. Please e mail Mrs Bygrave a_bygrave@manorpark.coventry.sch.uk if you would like to book an appointment to look at our school or if you require any help with the application process. Mrs Butlin k_butlin@manorpark.coventry.sch.uk will assist any parents who require information about nursery provision, including the wraparound provision that we offer to support our families. I would strongly urge families to contact us if they have pre-school aged children who require a reception or nursery place for September 2021 as we will be very willing to help you. We are also continuing to add to our starting school information and videos on our website. Please check this out to remain up to date with admission arrangements and welcome videos so you can get a feel of the wonderful opportunities we can offer your child if you choose our school for your child's education. We will not be able to hold our usual nursery and reception nativity concerts for parents which we are very sorry about, as we appreciate that for many of you it is the highlight of Christmas. We are having to limit the school visits and wow events that we can hold to launch new topics, including all residential visits which we have had to be put on hold. The Department for Education continues to advise against all overnight trips for schools. This advice remains under review, and until this changes, unfortunately Plas Dol y Moch is unable to welcome our Year 6 children. Once we have confirmation of when the centre can open, we will be working with them to find alternative dates to enable our Year 6 children to attend during this academic year. We truly hope that the trip can go ahead later this year as it is such an important experience for the children and one that I'm sure they have been looking forward to. We are also working closely with Dol y Moch to look at an outdoor learning offer from them in our city as this is something they are keen to set up.

Despite these limitations to our extra-curricular activities, we are working relatively normally and classroom life for the children is a happy and enriching experience. We look forward to meeting you in virtual parents' evenings later this month, so please do sign up for an appointment if you have not already done so.

My best wishes and thanks to you all for your continued support. Stay safe and take care.

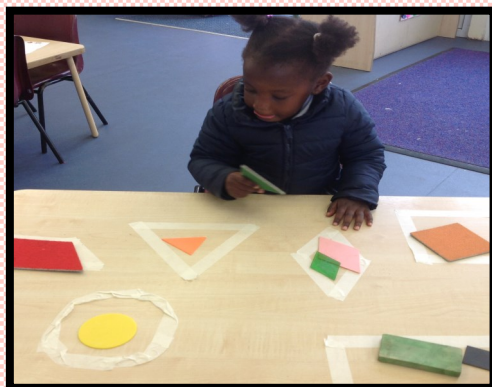
Kind regards

Jill O'Connor—Headteacher

Spotlight on learning in school this week...

This week in Nursery, we have enjoyed exploring autumn and learning all about shapes.

Nursery



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This week, we have been using autumn treasures to build homes for woodland animals.



Year R



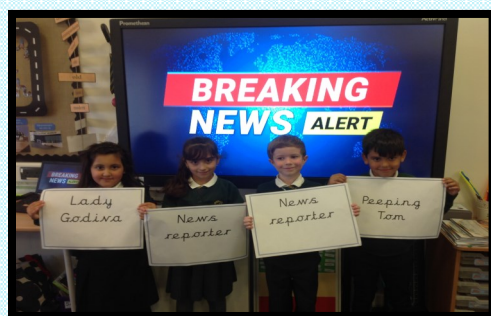
This week in Reception, we have been learning about the autumn season and discussing how and where different animals can hibernate. We walked up to our forest school and created our own animal shelters.

Year 1

As part of geography, Year 1 have been learning to identify human and physical features. Ask them about the different features they spotted during their Memorial Park walk.

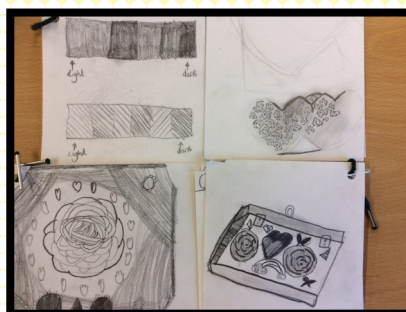


Year 2



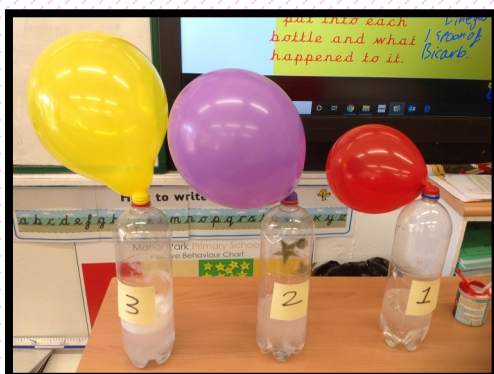
Year 2 have learnt all about the story of Lady Godiva and Peeping Tom. We pretended to be news reporters and used the green screen app to record ourselves.

Year 3



This week, Year 3 have designed their very own Pandora's boxes using a range of sketching skills.

Year 4



This week, Year 4 have been experimenting using chemical reactions to inflate a balloon.

Year 5



Here is one of our fabulous death masks made by Hiba and Max in class 18!

Year 6



In art, Year 6 have enjoyed using watercolours to create a painting that captures the night of 'The Blitz' in Coventry. They used black card to create a silhouette of a scene that might have taken place during the evening of 14th November 1940. Super creative work this week Year 6!

MANOR PARK NOTICES

Social Supermarkets and Grub Hubs

What is a Social Supermarket?

Social Supermarkets, also known as Grub Hubs offer discounted food parcels, typically about £20 worth of food for a cost of a £4 membership per week. You do not need a foodbank voucher to access them but they may have some criteria to ensure they are helping those who need it most.

For a map of all of the Grub Hubs in Coventry please click [here](#).



Aldermoor LIFE Centre

- Where: 78 Round House Rd, CV3 1DA
- How do I become a member?
Tel: 024 7645 4010
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/aldermoorlifecentre/>
- Delivery will be on a Monday

Canley Food Hub

- Where: Canley Community Centre, Prior Derram Walk, CV4 9FT
- How do I become a member?
Register: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLS77AAU40Cb4urROPd8gus1wG46druLxjEydaFdy_n5_6KrhOYg/viewform
- Email: foodhub@canleycommunitycentre.co.uk
- Tel: 07888 449 521
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/canleyfoodhub>
- Friday 12 noon -2pm

Cheyresmore Food Hub

- How do I become a member?
Register: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd711zccPhxJMpD03WITBHCrChSvrvQvKPO5UzUjwO3FA/viewform>
- Email: cheyresmorefoodhub@gmail.com
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/cheyresmorefoodhub/>
- Delivery will be on a Saturday

Henley Green Grub Hub

- Where: Henley Green Community Centre, Wyken Croft
- How do I become a member?
Email: dianne@mhct.co.uk Or carol@mhct.co.uk
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/MoatHousetC>
- Wednesday 9am -12 noon

Foleshill Social Supermarket

- Where: Foleshill Community Centre, 757 Foleshill Rd, CV6 5HS
- How do I become a member?
Please book a time slot by either Email: feedingcoventrycomms@gmail.com
- Tel: 07925 019330
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/FoleshillCommunityCentre/>
- Website: <https://letstalk.coventry.gov.uk/feeding-coventry>
- Friday and Saturday 10am-3pm for booked slots or 10am-12 noon for drop ins

Stoke Heath Grub Hub

- Where: Stoke Heath Community Centre, 14 Burroughs Cl, CV2 3QH
- How do I become a member?
Email: s-h-c@hotmail.com
- Tel: 024 7644 9580
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/stokeheathcentre>
- Delivery will be on a Friday

Willenhall Food Hub

- Where: Hagard Community Space, Remembrance Rd, CV3 3DG
- How do I become a member?
Email: willenhallfoodhub@weetc.org.uk
- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/WillenhallCommunityForum>
- Wednesday 12 noon -2pm

*Please note all information is correct at time of printing (October 2020) but is subject to change

Starvision Photography - Last orders please...

Last chance for free shipping to school ends Sunday 11th October at midnight. Orders placed after this time will be delivered to your home address at a charge of £3.50.