

24th March 2023



A message from our Headteacher: Jill O'Connor

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all keeping well.

We are looking forward to our final week in school before the Easter break, with lots of Easter based activities planned for the children to enjoy. We are also having our next science Let's Investigate day on Tuesday, where children may come to school dressed as scientists and immerse themselves in practical scientific investigations. These days are always extremely popular with the children and are an important part of our science curriculum.

A reminder that school closes for pupils on Thursday 30th March for the Easter holiday as Friday 31st March is a staff training day.

Thank you to children and parents for supporting our Scholastic Book Fair on Monday. It was wonderful to see children excitedly choose new books to enjoy and use their book vouchers which they received on World Book Day.

Many thanks to the PTA for their hard work in organising the spring discos this week. The children really enjoyed joining in what is always one of their favourite after school activities.

Mrs Scott will be leaving us on Friday 31st March to take up a position at Grange Farm Primary. We are very grateful to Mrs Scott for all her outstanding contributions to Manor Park and wish her every happiness and success in her new school. We are delighted to welcome Mrs Goddard back to school on Friday following her maternity leave. Mrs Goddard will be teaching Class 11 next term. A very warm welcome back to her.

Have a relaxing weekend.

My best wishes to everyone.

Jill O'Connor Headteacher

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 28th March

Let's Investigate Day

Friday 31st March

Teacher Training Day

Monday 3rd April

Easter Holiday

Monday 17th April

Summer Term

Friday 28th April

Class 12 Assembly

Friday 28th April

Class 15 Assembly

Monday 1st May

Bank Holiday

Tuesday 2nd May

Nursery Open Day

Friday 5th May

Class 19 Assembly

Monday 8th May

Bank Holiday

Tuesday 9th May

SATs Week Year 6

Friday 19th May

Class 7 Assembly

Friday 19th May

Class 8 Assembly

Wednesday 24th May

Class Photographs

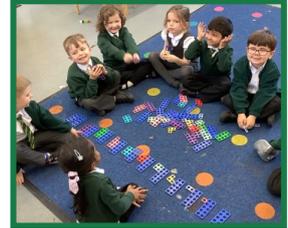
Learning in Nursery

This week we have been doing some work on adding one more. We started with soft toys on a train and then progressed to using fives frames with counters. We used mathematical language for example "3 add one more equals 4".



Learning in Reception

This week in maths we have been looking at counting beyond 10. We worked together to represent our numbers 10-20 using numicon.



Learning in Year 1

This week Year 1 have been working on a DT project about moving animal pictures. As part of our outdoor learning the children helped to make a large -scale elephant out of cardboard boxes and tape.



Learning in Year 2

Year 2 have created animal sculptures out of clay and junk, inspired by Val Hunt, who is an artist who creates sculptures out of junk!



Learning in Year 3

Year 3 explored the work of French egg artist Christel Assante. Christel uses ostrich and even quail eggs to create her mini sculptures. We then designed and created our own pieces of art.

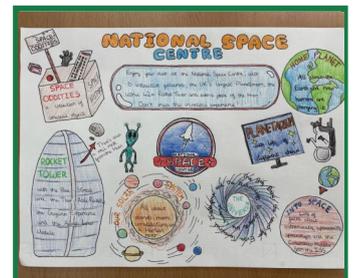


Learning in Year 4

This week in Year 4 we have learnt about the historical art movements Realism and Surrealism and created our own pieces inspired by the artists Gustave Courbet and Andre Breton.

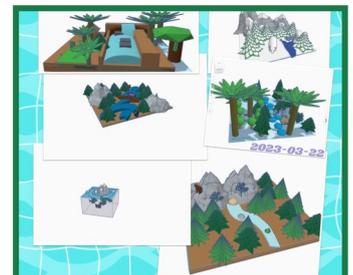
Learning in Year 5

This term the Year 5 children have worked incredibly hard to continue their learning about space at home and produced some incredible homework. They have learnt about constellations, kept night sky journals and even made planet biscuits! We have been amazed at their fantastic home learning efforts - well done, Year 5.



Learning in Year 6

This week Year 6 have been linking their prior knowledge of biomes to design terrariums using CAD. They thought carefully about the design criteria and used new technical language and skills to create their pieces using TinkerCAD. Well done Year 6!



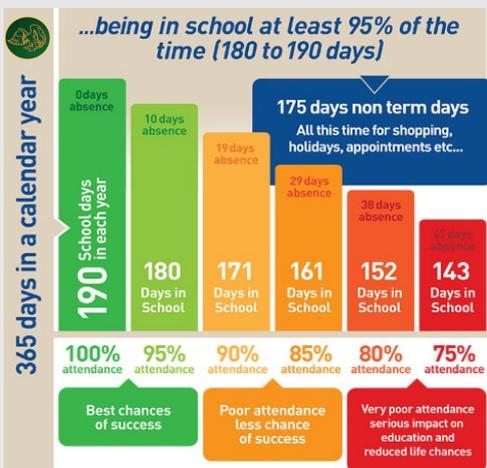
During Manor Park University the children in the 'Circus All Stars!' course have been learning a variation of circus skill.



Attendance



Congratulations to **Class 12** who achieved **98.6%** attendance last week.



DID YOU KNOW? A two week holiday in term time means that the highest attendance you can achieve is 94.7%

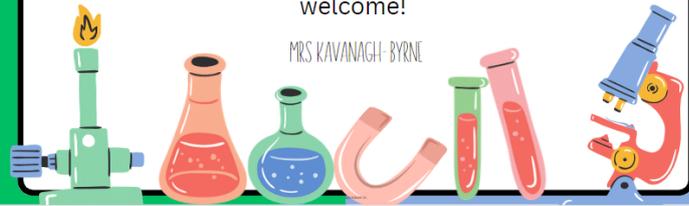
LET'S INVESTIGATE DAY

Tuesday March 28th

Calling all of our wonderful scientists... I hope you are ready for a day filled with fun investigations, curious questioning, careful observations and inquisitive evaluations.

If you would like to dress up in your lab coats, you are very welcome!

MRS KAVANAGH-BYRNE



Nut Free School

We have many children in our school that have nut allergies and even the smell of nuts can set off a reaction. Please can you ensure that your child does not bring any form of nut into school and please be aware that some chocolates and spreads also contain nuts.

THIS SCHOOL IS NUT FREE



THANK YOU for keeping our school safe!