

5th March 2021

## Manor Park News



### A message from our Headteacher: Jill O'Connor

Dear Parents and Carers,

#### *Welcome Back to School*

Welcome back to school for all children from Monday 8th. Everything is ready and we cannot wait to see everyone back. We have sent out all the information you need relating to a safe return to school, including our updated risk assessment, but please contact us if you require any help at all.

#### *Staffing update*

Mrs Sanders, our deputy headteacher, will be leaving Manor Park at the end of this academic year as she is relocating with her family to Cumbria. This is a very exciting opportunity for Sophie and our very best wishes are extended to her at this time. Sophie joined Manor Park in 2010 as an assistant headteacher before becoming deputy in 2017. She has been instrumental in developing the school in several key areas and she will be greatly missed by children, staff and parents. Governors have started the process of recruiting a new deputy headteacher to join us in September. We have had an incredibly strong field of applicants and I will update you as a new deputy is appointed.

We will be celebrating Comic Relief Red Nose Day on March 19th where all children can come dressed in red and should donate £1 to this very worthwhile charity on the day.

My very best wishes to everyone. Have a fantastic weekend and see you all in school on Monday. We are so excited about getting back to normal and having our whole school community back with us.

Kind regards Jill O'Connor Headteacher

### Upcoming Events

- ◆ School Reopening to all pupils Monday 8th March
- ◆ Manor Park Red Nose Day

### Red Nose Day

Manor Park is raising money for Red Nose Day on Friday 19th March! We are asking everyone to wear as much red as possible and donate £1 to Comic Relief. Please donate in the events section on SimsPay. We can't wait to see all of you in red!



## EYFS Phase: Nursery & Reception

Wow! Another week full of amazing learning for our children in EYFS at home and in school, well done everyone.

Please get in touch if you have any queries, positive comments or questions.  
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### Learning in Nursery

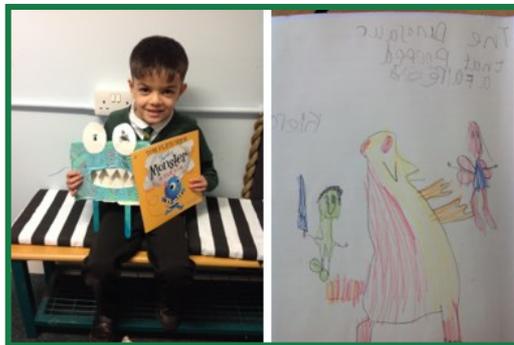
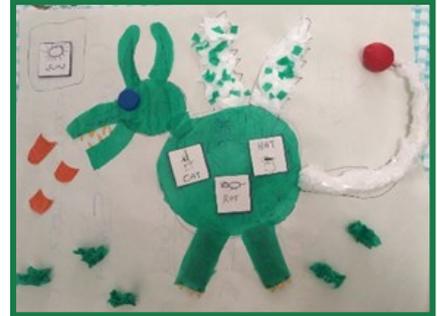
This week in Nursery the children have enjoyed learning all about rhymes based on our book, 'There was an Old Dragon Who Swallowed a Knight'. They created their own tin foil knights and filled their dragon's stomach with words that rhymed and ended in 'at'. We learnt the sound 'p' and the number '10' too.

### Learning in Reception

The children in Reception have been having lots of fun celebrating World Book Day. They have shared exciting stories and created pictures of their favourite ones. They have also been exploring number bonds and how to record these using real, everyday objects and they have recorded their work using numbers and pictures.

### Learning in EYEP

The children in EYEP have been enjoying stories from world book day, one of their favourite books here is "Why is The Sky Blue?"



## Lower Phase: Years 1, 2 & 3

The children in the Lower Phase have been working really hard this week both in school and at home. We can't wait to see everyone back in school next week and I'm sure the children (and parents) are excited too. We know that some children might be feeling a little bit worried, but our amazing teachers, support staff and mentor team will support them fully to make sure that their return is a happy one.

As always, feel free to get in touch with us if you have any queries, concerns or positive comments, we are always happy to hear from our families.

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### Learning in Year 1

For World Book Day, Year 1 looked at the author Tom Fletcher. In the morning, we read, designed a front cover and wrote our own 'The Dinosaur that Pooped...' stories. In the afternoon, we read the book 'There's a Monster in Your Book', joining in with all the actions. We then had great fun designing and making our own junk model monsters!

### Learning in Year 2

Year 2 have stopped off at Mexico this week during our topic 'Around the World'. We created our own Day of the Dead masks by carefully blending oil pastels together to create a colour gradient effect and then added detail by decorating with some illustrations.

### Learning in Year 3

During PSHE, the children in Year 3 read the book 'This is Our House' by Michael Rosen. We discussed the consequences of our actions and how the words we use can have an impact on a person's feelings.

Upper Phase: Years 4, 5 & 6

We have been very busy in the Upper Phase this week at home and at school. We have all attended virtual UNICEF sessions run by Warwick University and had lots of fun during World Book Day. We are really excited to welcome everyone back in to school next week and have prepared some fantastic learning activities for you all. We know that some children may be feeling a little anxious or worried about the return to school, but please rest assured we are all here to support the children over the coming weeks.

As always, feel free to contact me if you have any queries or concerns as I am here to support you and your family.

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Learning in Year 4

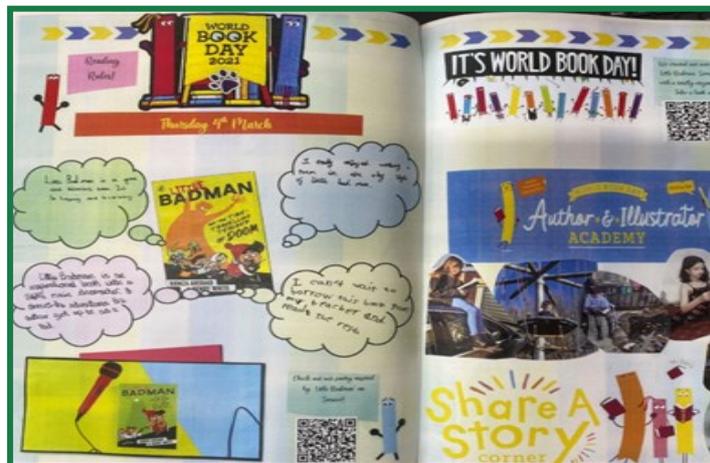
For World Book Day Year 4 have been studying the life and work of Benjamin Zephaniah. We explored why he had such an impact within the world of poetry and some of the meanings behind his more famous poems. We also had a go at performing some of Zephaniah's poems in his 'dub poetry' style.

Learning in Year 5

In Year 5, the children have enjoyed reading 'Little Badman' by Humza Arshad and Henry White. Inspired by the main character, they have written and performed some fantastic poetry. They have also had the opportunity to write a short story about Little Badman or a character of their choice, and they have presented these in original ways.

Learning in Year 6

For World Book Day this year, Year 6 read the beautiful book 'The boy, the mole, the fox and the horse'. We discussed the meaning behind the book and then created our own art work based on the theme of kindness.



### Social Media: School Website

Visit our website below:

[Website](#)



### Social Media: Twitter

View our Twitter for the latest updates and news below:

[Twitter](#)



# S

*Self-sufficient*



# O

*Original*

With the news schools will reopen on the 8<sup>th</sup> March, we are looking forward to welcoming children back to CHAMPS.

If you need to extend your child's day, either before or after school, please get in touch for more information.

All sessions need to be pre-booked, which can be done by emailing [k\\_buckley@manorpark.coventry.sch.uk](mailto:k_buckley@manorpark.coventry.sch.uk).



# A

*Attitude*

Sessions and costs:

7.30- 8.45am £5.50 per child, per day

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Breakfast is served during this session (a reduced menu is available during Covid restrictions)

3.30-4.30pm £4.50 per child, per day

3.30-5pm £6.75 per child, per day

3.30-5.30pm £8.50 per child, per day

3.30-6pm £10.50 per child, per day

Currently, we are offering a pre-booked sandwich as a snack option after school.

Fruit, milk and water are available daily during all sessions.

# R

*Resilient*



Manor Park  
Primary School

## Reception



The whole school took part in the final PE with Joe session this morning.

## Year 4



## Year 1



The sessions have had over 100 million views and raised over £600,000 pounds for NHS charities.

## Year 5



## Year 2



## Year 3



During PSHE, the children discussed - in their classes - the benefits of regular exercise on both their physical and mental wellbeing.

## Year 6



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During lockdown children thought about their favourite things.

Can you guess who's is who?



*Schools have been closed to most children due to COVID-19, but next week we will be reopening to all children again. Your child might be happy about returning to school, or they might be worried. See the following tips for going back to school:*

[Childline.org.uk](https://www.childline.org.uk)