

7th May 2021

## Manor Park News



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

Dear Parents and Carers,

## Happy Eid

Children in school will be learning about this important festival next week. We will all enjoy hearing about the family celebrations that many of our children, families and staff will be participating in to mark this important Islamic festival, following the Holy month of Ramadan.

The booking system for parents evenings which are taking place on May 18th and 19th is now live. Please book your appointments for these remote meetings which are available for parents of children from Reception to Year 6. Due to the total overhaul and operational reorganisation of our nursery, we will no longer be offering formal parent consultation meetings for nursery parents going forward. We are implementing alternative, more regular and less formal ways for staff to engage with parents and share their child's wonderful learning journey with them. Further details to follow.

It has been wonderful to see children taking part in wow events in school this week as we most certainly enjoy a gradual but secure return to school life as we know it. We cannot wait to be able to welcome parents and families back into school when it is totally safe to do so. We are constantly reviewing the school calendar and will share with you any future events that we are able to resume when informed by the local authority that we are able to do so. We are delighted that we have secured places for Year 6 children to visit Dol y Moch in Wales for a residential experience in June. Year 3 swimming lessons have re-started, and we are now offering a wide range of daily extra-curricular clubs which children are really enjoying.

Staff have been collating mid-term data and we are incredibly pleased with the standards across school. Children are working incredibly hard, and standards are in the main in line with our usual aspirational expectations. This is due to the hard work and determination of every child and member of staff who have all returned with a resolute determination to revert to a full curriculum and timetable following on from our strong remote learning offer during the periods of school closure. Well done to everyone.

Thank you to you all for your continued support which we all really appreciate. Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Jill O'Connor Headteacher



## EYFS Phase: Nursery & Reception

We are all so proud of the children in Early Years. They are excited about all of their learning and they are confident to talk to their friends and teachers about their experiences. We are impressed with how independent the children are when they are in school and how much they help each other. Well done everyone.

Mrs. Bygrave EYFS Phase Leader

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or queries:

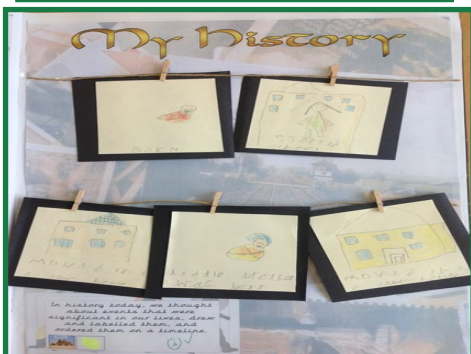
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### Learning in Nursery

We have been sharing songs and stories in Nursery this week with a colour theme including 'I Can Sing a Rainbow' and 'Elmer the Patchwork Elephant' with the children. They are confident to explore lots of creative skills involving art, music and dance. The children have been using the large interactive whiteboards carefully to create pictures and investigate counting and matching with their friends.

### Learning in Reception

In Reception this week the children have been exploring their maths skills. They have been using a range of practical objects including Numicon, cubes and pom poms to subtract with. The children have also been recording their work with growing accuracy and understanding.



## Lower Phase: Years 1, 2 & 3

It's been a fun packed week with outdoor learning, wow events and embedding of skills across the curriculum in all of our year groups. We are very impressed with the pride that the children have in their learning and we are looking forward to spending some time meeting with groups of children over the next few weeks to share their learning with us. As we move towards the warmer weather, we hope, children are wearing summer dresses. There is no need for the children to wear a tie with their summer dress. Please can I remind you to make sure that all children's belongings are clearly labelled as we are gathering a lot of un-named cardigans, jumpers and fleeces.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with us if you have any questions or positive feedback. Thanks for your continued support.

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### Learning in Year 1

This week in History, Year 1 have been thinking about significant events that have happened in their lives. They all drew events that were important to them and then ordered them on a timeline.

### Learning in Year 2

We had our Medieval WOW Day in Year 2 this week, learning all about life in castles through dance, drama and music. Everyone dressed up: we had knights, jesters, lords and ladies. It was fantastic and we all really enjoyed ourselves.

### Learning in Year 3

As part of our topic - Through The Ages - Year 3 looked at several different prehistoric landmarks in the UK. The children had to use their geography skills to locate where each landmark was, and then find out which county it was in. Finally, in groups, they found out lots of interesting facts about their chosen landmark and created a travel guide encouraging people to visit.



## Upper Phase: Years 4, 5 & 6

After an extended bank holiday weekend, the children have come back fully engaged in their new learning. It has been lovely to drop into all lessons this week to see the fabulous work that they have all been doing. In English, Year 4 have written a diary entry inspired by Eric LeMarque; Year 5 have produced their own information text on space and Year 6 have been using their analytical skills to answer questions about the famous Shakespearian play 'Macbeth'. Please continue to check Seesaw for some examples of your child's work.

For all of our families who will be celebrating Eid next week, I wish you a very 'Happy Eid Mubarak'. On this special occasion, I hope that your Eid is filled with happiness and peace.

As always, if you need to contact me to discuss any concerns or questions that you may have, please email me on:

[t\\_brown@manorpark.coventry.sch.uk](mailto:t_brown@manorpark.coventry.sch.uk)

### Learning in Year 4

This weeks science experiment in Year 4. Investigating the affects of different liquids on a tooth like substance (egg shells). The results are interesting (and a bit smelly too).

### Learning in Year 5

In maths this week in year 5, we have been looking at angles. We've measured angles, worked out missing angles and drawn angles. Today, we applied our knowledge to solve problems using the skills and knowledge we've learnt this week.

### Learning in Year 6

This week, as part of our outdoor learning, Year 6 have been helping to plant hanging baskets around school. We look forward to looking after them over the next term and watching them grow!



### Notice

**Absences:** Please can any absences be reported to the school by either leaving a message on the school's absence line (option 1) or by emailing [attendance@manorpark.coventry.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@manorpark.coventry.sch.uk)

**Covid updates:** The school needs to be notified of any pupils/parents testing for Covid by emailing [covid@manorpark.coventry.sch.uk](mailto:covid@manorpark.coventry.sch.uk)

The school also needs to be informed of the results of the tests before students can return to school.

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Primary School



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).



Sessions and costs:

7.30- 8.45am £5.50 per child, per day

7.45-8.45am £4.50 per child, per day

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.

## DRA Vacancy

### **Lunchtime Supervisory Assistant Vacancy**

#### **Salary scale pro rata term time only:**

Grade 1 which is £9.24per hour.

#### **Hours of work:**

6.75 per week term time only.

We currently require an additional lunchtime supervisor. The role involves helping and supervising children during the lunch period. Our lunchtime supervisors play a very important part in ensuring the safety and well-being of the children at the school.

This post is exempted under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974 and as such appointment to this post will be conditional upon the receipt of a satisfactory response to a check of police records via the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS).

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff to share this commitment.

Application forms and details are available from the school office and must be returned to the school by **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May at noon.**