

14th May 2021

## Manor Park News



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

Dear Parents and Carers,

Staff are looking forward to meeting parents remotely next week for parents' evenings on Tuesday and Wednesday, with appointments taking place between 4pm and 6.30pm. If you have not already booked an appointment, please do so through the online booking system.

We are all excited about the next stage of the roadmap out of lockdown which starts on Monday, when many new social activities can resume. Unfortunately, there will be no new changes that we can implement in school. The updated government guidance that we have been issued with this month in preparation for May 17th has changed nothing in relation to how primary schools will operate - hand-washing, additional cleaning, good cough hygiene, isolation and testing if showing symptoms, bubbling (including different break times, start and finish times, lunchtimes, assemblies wherever possible), mask wearing by staff while moving around school and mask wearing by adults at drop off and pick up times are all still in place. Thank you for your continued assistance in making these measures happen and patience as we hopefully move towards a full lifting of restrictions. We have however all fully adjusted to our 'new normal' and school life is continuing to go very well. Everybody is thriving and thoroughly enjoying the summer term.

Coventry City of Culture officially starts this Saturday 15th May with the opening ceremony being pushed back to June 5th. We are very excited about the wide range of events that will be held over the year. Do look out for these events as we begin this exciting year of celebration to mark this prestigious award.

We have several spare nursery places for 2 and 3-year-old children for September. Please contact us for details if you would like to register your child for a place.

We will be holding a remote parent meeting to present our Relationships and Sex Education Policy for any interested parents on May 25th at 5.30 pm. Year 6 parents are also invited to a remote meeting on May 27th at 6pm in preparation for the residential visit to Dol y Moch in June. Further details to follow on these two events.

A reminder that school will close on Friday 28th May for the half term holiday and we will return on Monday June 7th.

My very best wishes to everyone. Have a lovely weekend. Jill O'Connor Headteacher



## EFYS Phase: Nursery & Reception

It's been another exciting week of learning in Early Years this week. We have had lots of rainy days but we haven't let that get in the way of our outdoor learning. The children have still had lots of opportunities to explore their physical and creative skills outside with their friends. They are remembering to play safely and use the large play equipment with care and control. We have also been celebrating Eid this week and creating beautiful hanging moons and stars. Happy Eid everyone.

Mrs. Bygrave EFYS Phase Leader

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

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### Learning in Nursery

The children in Nursery have enjoyed using their imaginations to create their own role play settings outside in the outdoor area. They had fun creating a pirate ship using the large wooden blocks and flags to enhance their play. The children have also been having lots of fun in the mud kitchen making mud pies!

### Learning in Reception

This week the children in Reception have enjoyed learning all about patterns. They have been making single, double and even triple patterns too! The children have also been using their fine motor skills to assemble and fix components together using real screwdrivers as part of their inventors topic. Well done Reception.



## Lower Phase: Years 1, 2 & 3

The Lower phase has been working really hard again and I have been impressed with their focus and concentration which has helped them to produce fantastic outcomes. A reminder that next Tuesday and Wednesday is Parents' Evening. If you haven't already done so, please book an appointment on our online system. If you have any problems in doing this, please contact the office who will be able to help.

Finally, I hope all those families who celebrated Eid this week had a wonderful day with family and friends. It has been lovely to hear all about how the children have been celebrating this special occasion.

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

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### Learning in Year 1

The children in Year 1 have been so busy this week with lots of interactive maths, outdoor learning and creative activities. We have been exploring our senses in Science and we have loved all of the practical tasks to do with sight, smell and touch; it has been a super week.

### Learning in Year 2

Year 2 have been learning all about different types of measurement in maths this week. We have used rulers to measure length, thermometers to measure temperature, jugs to measure volume and scales to measure mass. Fantastic measuring Year 2!

### Learning in Year 3

This week, Year 3 started their D&T project: to create a Stone Age shelter. The children had to measure wooden dowels to the correct size and then use a saw to cut them. They have two more lessons to complete their shelter, so we will show a finished design next week!



## Upper Phase: Years 4, 5 & 6

A super week of learning in the Upper Phase this week. The standards across the curriculum are incredibly high and that is due to the hard work from all of the children. Year 4 have particularly impressed me this week with their fantastic diary entries in English; I have really enjoyed spending time in their classrooms to see the learning and progress taking place each day. A reminder that next Tuesday and Wednesday is Parents' Evening. If you haven't already done so, please book an appointment on our online system. If you have any problems in doing this, please contact the office who will be able to help.

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### Learning in Year 4

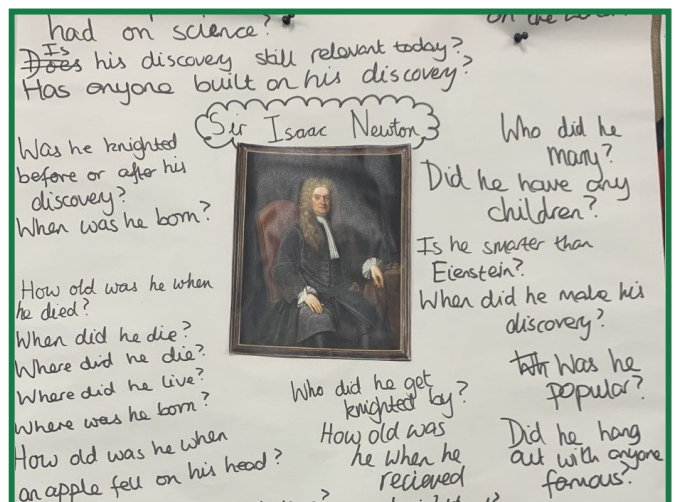
As part of our Totems and Tepees Creative Curriculum, Year 4 have been researching Native American tribes. We found information on the Inuits, Cherokee, Navajo, and Iroquois tribes.

### Learning in Year 5

This week in Science, we have been using film canisters and counters to find out whether weight makes a difference to the speed of the film canister dropping. Our question is, "Does a heavy object fall at a greater speed?" We made observations, recorded and wrote conclusions explaining what we found out. We have also researched Sir Isaac Newton. We came up with questions we wanted to answer about him and specifically looked at his discoveries.

### Learning in Year 6

This week, Year 6 have been learning about ratio. They have been absolutely incredible mathematicians and thoroughly enjoyed applying their learning to a maths investigation: using ratio, the children were tasked with working out the building materials needed for a colourful, new Manor Park building. They had a fantastic time and showed amazing resilience! Well done, Year 6.





This week, we have launched in school that we will be learning about the UNICEF Global Goals.

The Global Goals are a set of 17 sustainability areas that have been agreed by world wide leaders to help create a better world by 2030.

To start this, we learnt about Earth Day on Thursday 22nd April and each year group learnt about a different climate issue. Across the school, the children explored litter pollution, recycling at home, biodiversity, renewable energy, global warming as well as about our own carbon footprint.

Our goal is to become change makers to make our world a better place.

Many thanks,  
Miss Ingram  
Global Awareness and Outdoor Lead



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**Where The Fun Never Stops**  
**CHAMPS**  
**Children Happy at Manor Park School**

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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).



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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.

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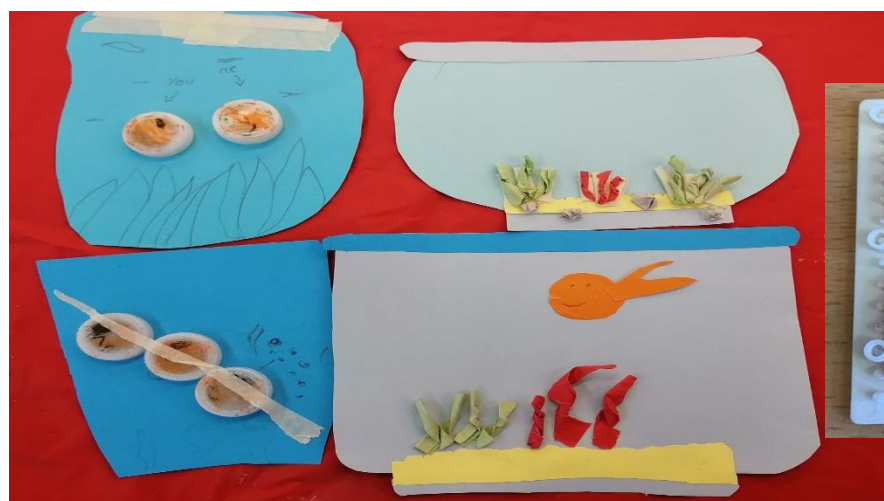


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The CHAMPS children have been busy



We have a limited number of places in a couple of bubble (phase bubbles, following guidelines).

For more information, or to book a place, please contact Mrs Buckley at

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**This item belongs to:**

**PLEASE NAME YOUR CHILD'S BELONGINGS**

## **LOST PROPERTY**

We make every effort to return any item that finds its way to our lost property, however the volume of items without a name makes this a very difficult task. Please name your child's belongings so that if found, we can ensure it gets back to them. Any items without a name that have not been collected after 2 weeks will be sent to charity.