

13th May 2022



A message from our Headteacher: Jill O'Connor

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a wonderful week of learning and opportunities for children to enjoy new experiences this week, including Year 2 dressing up for their medieval day and making some superb castles, which they all loved. Huge congratulations to our wonderful Year 6 children who completed their SATS with tremendous passion and resilience. We are incredibly proud of their outstanding attitude and achievements. This was an opportunity for them to apply and highlight all their learning and skills in preparation for their transition to secondary school, and I am very confident that they will all have achieved their full potential when they get their results in July. Very well done to you all.

The Year 4 residential visit to Whitby was a tremendous success. Children and staff thoroughly enjoyed the whole experience and the hostel exceeded our expectations. This Year 4 residential experience will now become an annual event for Year 4, with a booking already made for next summer. It will come as no surprise to you to hear that the behaviour of the children was exemplary and was commented on by the residential staff. The Year 4 children who stayed in school were equally impressive and enjoyed a range of parallel activities out and about in and around school. Well done to everyone in Year 4, we are very proud of you all.

Next week is walk to school week and Living Streets, the UK charity for everyday walking, is supporting us with the challenge we have set ourselves to walk all or part of our journey to school as many days as we can next week. You may also like to use their Footsteps programme to help your child acquire the skills they need as a pedestrian. Please check out their website for more details. We have attached their Family Walk to School Kit, designed to help parents, carers and children make the walk to school work for them.

Staffing News

Mrs Jelley and Miss Carr will be leaving school at May half term to begin their maternity leaves. We wish them both every happiness at this very special time as they eagerly await their new arrivals. We will be sure to pass on baby news when we hear it.

Mrs Scott is returning to school at May half term following her maternity leave, and she will take on the position of class teacher for Class 22 for the remainder of the academic year when Mrs Jelley leaves. We are delighted to welcome Miss Foroughi McDougall who is joining our staff on a permanent basis working in EYFS. Miss Foroughi McDougall will be class teacher for Class 5 after May half term to cover Miss Carr for the rest of this academic year, before joining our nursery team in September.

Finally, congratulations to Miss Isherwood who is getting married on Saturday and will return to school next week as Mrs Shepherd.

Have a lovely weekend. Look out for Our Wilder Family in the park on Sunday which presents a spectacular drone show, full of stunning shapes and WOW moments. This record-breaking show will be the longest drone display in the UK and is free of charge.

Thank you to you all for your continued support which we all really appreciate.

Best wishes to everyone

Jill O'Connor

Headteacher

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EYFS Phase: Nursery & Reception

We have had another busy and productive week in Early Years and it has been lovely to see how much independence the children are developing in both Nursery and Reception. Children are taking the initiative and growing in confidence, ready to take the next steps in their learning journeys. When I have been teaching in Early Years this week, children have been keen to offer ideas and lead the learning. This was especially so in Nursery, where children were enjoying and experiencing different types of weather, particularly the wind and rain! Children decided to make their own kites and had great fun flying them around the outdoor area. Nursery have also been appreciating the stories and art of Eric Carle this week, which have inspired some beautiful collages of various animals that the children are learning about. Well done Nursery!

Reception children have continued to learn about minibeasts and their habitats, focusing on worms this week. They had a fantastic time yesterday creating their own wormeries and going on a worm-hunt; some children found worms to put into their wormeries, so we will watch carefully to see what happens over the next few days! It was wonderful to see the children's teamwork and negotiation skills developing as they worked on their wormeries - super attitude, well done Reception!

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me on:

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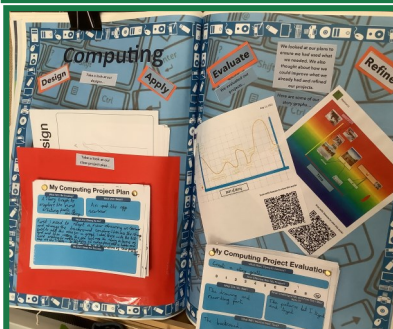
Learning in Nursery

The children in Wrens and Robins have had an amazing time in our wonderful construction area. We all had a fabulous time making some beautiful creations.

What a busy week in Nursery! We have created colourful animal art, inspired by Eric Carle and the children have selected and joined their choice of materials as they worked. We think they look amazing! We have been listening to stories about African animals and even had an Animal Boogie! We have also been learning about rhyming and finding words that rhyme. On Wednesday, the rain didn't stop us having fun outside and we learnt to play football skittles! Look at that great sportsmanship! A super week for Nursery!

Learning in Reception

After reading the story 'Superworm' we have been finding out all about worms and their habitats. We have enjoyed using mix media to create our own sock worm.



Lower Phase: Years 1, 2 & 3

There are lots of exciting curriculum-enriching experiences coming up in the Lower Phase. On Monday, the Year 2 children came in wearing fantastic medieval costumes for their Wow Day. They took part in a scavenger hunt around the school, collecting facts about life in medieval times. They have been learning about the different features of stone castles and what they were used for - they are really looking forward to their trip to Warwick Castle after half term! In history this week, the Year 1 children created a timeline to mark memorable events in their lives. On their visit to St John's museum next week, they will be comparing their own experiences to children who lived during the Victorian times; they are all very excited! The Year 3 children have been using bread and jelly sweets in science to replicate the fossil creation process. They have continued to learn about life in prehistoric times and will be putting their knowledge to good use in a variety of hands-on activities during their trip to Bishops Wood next week.

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Learning in Year 1

This week Year 1 have enjoyed being artists. They looked carefully at their features and mixed paint to create different colours for skin tone. Well done Year 1; we think your self-portraits capture you perfectly!

Learning in Year 2

Year 2 thoroughly enjoyed medieval day on Monday! We loved dressing up and learning about what it would have been like in medieval times. We designed and drew our very own illuminated letters - we have some really talented artists among us! We also learnt some medieval dances which was great fun! Using our junk modelling skills, we then made our very own Warwick Castle! What a memorable day!

Learning in Year 3

In Year 3 this week, we had our Computing Day where we completed 2 tasks. In the morning, we planned and created our own comic strips using Book Creator on the iPads. Then we evaluated our work. In the afternoon, we used the See Saw app on the iPads to create a story graph which showed the most exciting parts of the book "Cave Boy" which is a book we are reading in class this week.

Upper Phase: Years 4, 5 & 6

The children in the Upper Phase have made us incredibly proud this week. Year 6 have completed their SATs and we are so proud of the determination and resilience they showed throughout the whole week of testing. Well done Year 6! Year 4 have had a fantastic time on their residential to Whitby and came back full stories about their adventures. Amongst other things, they went on a coastal walk, visited Captain Cook's museum, attended a jet polishing workshop and on their final day went on a 'Big Yellow Boat' out to sea. During this week, Year 5 have also been keeping busy learning all about day and night. They are getting prepared for their overnight camp at The Space Centre by learning all about our solar system. This week, they used globes and torches to describe why we have day and night. A great week of learning in the Upper Phase.

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Learning in Year 4

The children that stayed at school did orienteering on Tuesday afternoon. We went to the Memorial Park and the children had to use aerial maps of the park to find different hidden letters. Once they had found all 8 letters, the children had to unscramble them and create a word. We had a fantastic afternoon in the sun!

Learning in Year 5

This week Year 5 have been learning how the Earth gets night and day. They used globes to show that as the Earth moves around the Sun it rotates on its axis, so we have day and night. The children explained that the side of the Earth facing the Sun (the torch) has light and heat (daytime) and the side of the Earth facing away from the Sun (the torch), out towards space, is darker and colder (night time).

Learning in Year 6

This week, our fantastic Year 6 children have completed their long awaited SATS tests. To say we are proud of every single one of them is a complete understatement. The resilience, determination, and fantastic attitude we have seen throughout the week has been phenomenal, and we have been so impressed by how the children have approached each test- lots of smiles on faces of course!

We hope you all have a fantastic weekend celebrating the end of what we know has been quite an important week for some of you, and we look forward to the many treats coming up for the remainder of this term... Dol Y Moch, here we come!! Well done again, Year 6 and thank you for all of your hard work!



The Queen's Platinum Jubilee

As the Queen's Platinum Jubilee fast approaches, we would like to invite all children to come dressed in red, white, and blue or in fancy queen and king clothes on Friday 27th May. We will be having a picnic lunch to mark the celebration along with other fun activities during the day. The picnic lunch will include sandwiches, sausage/vegetarian rolls, juices, pizza and a selection of cookies and cakes. Meals will be booked for any school children who normally have a meal. If you would like your child to have a picnic lunch instead of their own packed lunch, please book and pay on Pay 360 under Events. The cost for the school meal is £2.20. If you have any red, blue, and white/clear bottle tops, please could you hand these into the main office, We will need as many as possible.

We look forward to celebrating this very special occasion.

Due to the extra bank holiday for the Queen's Jubilee falling in the half term holidays, schools have been given an extra day off. School will be closed on Monday 6th June 2022



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Parking

Can we please remind all parents to be considerate when parking during pick up and drop off times. We understand that these times can be particularly congested and would like to encourage parents to make use of the additional parking offered at the Cheylesmore Social Club which is in easy walking distance of the school.

Could we please also remind parents to refrain from using the staff car park when dropping off and collecting children

Thank you

School Nursing Parent Information Sessions

School Nursing are continuing to offer FREE virtual health information sessions via Eventbrite, especially for parents/carers. The sessions are listed below and include: concerns about managing toileting, sleep, behaviour and challenges in eating.

These links open and operate far more efficiently via Google Chrome or Microsoft Edge, so if this isn't your default browser please copy the link into one of these browsers. Please also ensure you fill in the booking form fully, when registering for a session, we need you to detail your child or children's full name and date of birth as well as the name of the school they attend, so we can update our records of your attendance.

If you don't already have an Eventbrite log in/account you will need to register on their site before attending a session with us. We can provide a step by step guide, if you need this please get in touch.

You may receive emails about your Eventbrite booking, please check your spam/junk box as these emails may automatically sit there. Please try to log on 5 mins before the session. We look forward to seeing you soon.

Name of Session:	Date and time of session:	Eventbrite link for parents/carers to access to register and book on:
Sleep Information Session	Tuesday 10 th May 2022 10am – 11am	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/sleep-information-session-tickets-313664838977
Challenges in Eating Information Session	Friday 27 th May 2022 10am – 11am	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/challenges-in-eating-information-session-tickets-313675631257
Toileting Information Session	Monday 30 th May 2022 11:00am – 12pm	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/toileting-information-session-tickets-327312569707
Managing Behaviour Information Session	Friday 17 th June 2022 10am – 11am	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/managing-behaviour-information-session-tickets-313689151697
Toileting Information Session	Tuesday 21 st June 2022 1pm – 2pm	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/toileting-information-session-tickets-327903567397
Sleep Information Session	Thursday 23 rd June 2022 1pm – 2pm	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/sleep-information-session-tickets-327199621877
Challenges in Eating Information Session	Tuesday 28 th June 2022 11am – 12pm	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/challenges-in-eating-information-session-tickets-327321807337
Managing Behaviour Information Session	Monday 04 th July 2022 11am – 12pm	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/managing-behaviour-information-session-tickets-327350162147
Toileting Information Session	Tuesday 05 th July 2022 11am – 12pm	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/toileting-information-session-tickets-327908371767
Sleep Information Session	Tuesday 12 th July 2022 1pm – 2pm	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/sleep-information-session-tickets-327380442717
Managing Behaviour Information Session	Tuesday 19 th July 2022 10am – 11am	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/managing-behaviour-information-session-tickets-327402699287
Challenges in Eating Information Session	Thursday 21 st July 2022 11am – 12pm	https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/challenges-in-eating-information-session-tickets-327387102637



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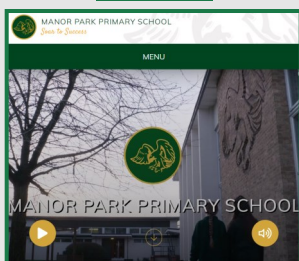
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