

30th September 2022

Manor Park News



A message from our Headteacher: Jill O'Connor

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a very busy and enjoyable week once again, with children fully immersed in their learning. Year 2 and Year 5 had a wonderful time during their WOW days which have once again helped to bring their topics to life for them.

It was lovely to welcome parents back into school for our coffee morning and PTA AGM today. We are very grateful to the group of parents who are willing to relaunch PTA events for our children and families. Do please get in touch with us if you feel that you are able to join them in organising social events for the children and school community. Any offers of help will be very well received.

Children from Reception to Year 6 will be walking to West Orchard Church on Wednesday 5th October for our harvest festival services. The timings for these services will be Reception and Key Stage 1 children leaving school at 9am for a 9.50am service followed by Key Stage 2 who will leave school at 10.15am ready for a 10.40am service.

If your child has SEND and you are concerned about them being able to access this visit, then please contact a member of the inclusion team so that we can put the necessary support and modifications in place a_healy@manorpark.coventry.sch.uk

We will once again be asking all children to bring in a small amount of tinned or packaged food which will be donated to two local charities, Coventry Food Bank and Langar Aid. Children may bring in food donations any day next week up until Wednesday, when all donations will be taken to and collected from the church. Many thanks to West Orchard Church for once again welcoming us all to their building and leading this annual service for us. The local charities will be extremely grateful for any food items that you are able to send in which will all go to help Coventry residents who are struggling, particularly during these very difficult times.

We will be holding our autumn parents' evenings on Tuesday October 18th and Wednesday October 19th between 4pm and 6.30pm. We are delighted that these evenings will revert to face-to-face meetings, and we are looking forward to welcoming you into school to look at your child's work and discuss their progress with their teacher. I am certain that you will be amazed at their wonderful learning. Our online booking service for these appointments will open next Monday so please book your appointments in the usual way.

Finally, I am sorry to inform you that Jenny Williams has left our governing body and her very long association with Manor Park. We are extremely grateful to Jenny for her amazing contributions to Manor Park as a pupil, teacher, senior leader and governor. The school will greatly miss her. We wish her a long and happy retirement.

Have a relaxing weekend. My best wishes to everyone.

Jill O'Connor Headteacher

Learning in Nursery

This week we enjoyed being bakers and customers in our role play bakery. We chose how many doughnuts and cakes we wanted and paid for them. We also had designated delivery drivers who took items to their friends' houses



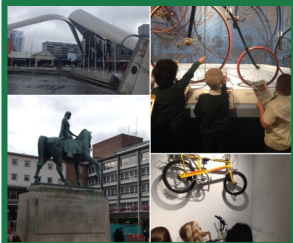
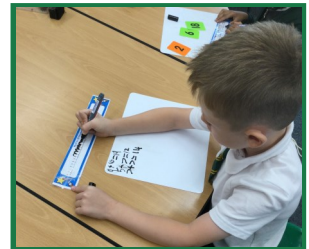
Learning in Reception

This week in Reception we have been making our very own bear masks. We have used our imagination and moved around the classroom like bears. We even made the noises! It was super fun!



Learning in Year 1

This week in maths Year 1 have been practising their addition skills. We have enjoyed using a range of resources such as counting toys and number lines to help us work out the answer.



Learning in Year 2

What an exciting start Year 2 had to their week by travelling to and from our city centre as part of their City in the Spotlight topic. The children explored a range of motor cars, cycles and motorcycles at Coventry Transport Museum and they were fascinated by the changes over time. They also experienced a Coventry timeline workshop at the Herbert Art Gallery where they were able to share and develop their knowledge about the story of Lady Godiva. A week to remember!



Learning in Year 3

This week Year 3 have been using percussion instruments to retell the Greek story 'Theseus and the Minotaur'



Learning in Year 4

Year 4 have been finding out about Roman Numerals this week during their maths lessons and it has been great to link our creative curriculum to our maths learning. They have looked at numbers to 100 and completed lots of activities including ordering numerals and completing sequences.

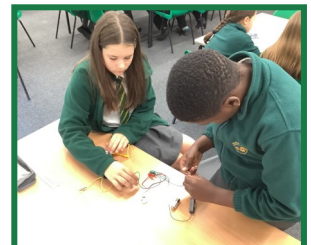
Learning in Year 5

Year 5 had the best Egyptian day this week. We started off being introduced to our Egyptologist of the day, Doc! We learnt about the merging of the two countries, the despair of the final Pharaoh and the highs, lows & power needed to run Egypt. We spent the morning engaging in different Egyptian activities like decoding hieroglyphics, measuring in Egyptian mathematical units, and improving our knowledge on this fascinating period of history. Throughout the afternoon we observed the mummification process, took part in a Pharaoh's burial parade, and enjoyed being animals as we hunted along the river Nile. Everyone looked fantastic in their Egyptian costumes and were incredibly creative with their choices.



Learning in Year 6

This week Year 6 have been investigating electricity. They created a variety of circuits and compared how bright the bulbs were in each one. Well done for using excellent problem solving skills, Year 6!



Manor Park University

This week during Manor Park University the children on the animal care course have had a visit from French bulldog, Ralph, and guinea pig, Lettuce.



Dates for the Diary

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
w/c 03.10.22			Harvest Festival	Coventry Cathedral Trip Year 6	
w/c 10.10.22					
w/c 17.10.22		Parent's Evening	Parent's Evening		Teacher Training Day

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Thank you for your donations in supporting the Manor Park PTA's Macmillan coffee morning. We have raised a total of £319.25.

We are pleased so many parents were able to attend the PTA meeting. If you were unable to attend and are interested in joining our PTA please email pta@manorpark.coventry.sch.uk



Water Bottles in School

It is important that our children stay hydrated throughout the day and therefore they do require a water bottle, labelled with their name in school each day. As we promote healthy eating habits, we would ask that only water is brought in from home.

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.



Free School meals

Please ask even if your child is of Infant school age.

Do you receive any of the following?

- Income support
- Employment Support Allowance (Income Related)
- Income based Job Seekers Allowance
- Guaranteed Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit and your income (as calculated by the Inland Revenue) is less than £16190
- Universal credit
- Receiving support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act of 1999
- In the Armed Forces

If you can answer yes to any of the above you may qualify for free school meals/pupil premium

Want to apply? Not sure? **Ask at the office**

To apply just visit:
[Free school meals and extra pupil premium funds for schools - Section 1 - Coventry City Council](#)

If your application is successful not only will your child receive free school meals, but our school will receive additional funding called Pupil Premium to help you with costs of school trips and after school activities.

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