25th November 2022



A message from our Headteacher: Jill O'Connor

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Year 6 children and the staff who accompanied them had a wonderful time during their Dol y Moch residential visit, which was a great success. It will come as no surprise to you to hear that their behaviour and attitude was exemplary throughout the trip. The group who stayed in school had an equally exciting time engrossed in parallel outdoor pursuits, which challenged them to learn new skills. Well done to Year 6 for all your achievements. I am certain there will be plenty of house points awarded to our Year 6 children for displaying our personal qualities whilst having so much fun and building memories to last a lifetime this week. We are incredibly proud of you all Year 6, well done.

We all enjoyed cheering on England in their first game on Monday and we wish the team the best of luck during the remainder of the competition. As well as celebrating the children's obvious passion for sport, the Qatar World Cup has provided an opportunity for staff to work with the children in considering and discussing the politics and moral issues surrounding nations during such competitions and the impact that hosting the World Cup has on them.

A reminder to continue sorting your cupboards and to send in donations for the PTA Christmas bring and buy sale which will take place on Monday afternoon 28th November. We look forward to seeing you then, ready to get some Christmas bargains.

Classes 16 and 23 will be welcoming their families into their class assemblies on Friday 2nd December at 9am. I am sure you will thoroughly enjoy sharing their learning with your children during these special events.

Welcome to Edward James Moore who arrived on Tuesday this week, the first son for Mrs Moore and her husband. Mum and baby are doing really well and will hopefully be visiting us before not very long.

We are looking forward to a variety of special events over the remainder of this term, which is always a particularly busy and enjoyable time for children and families. PTA are holding a Christmas movie night for the children after school on Thursday 15th December, which will also be our Christmas lunch and jumper day. Nursery will be welcoming their families into their nativity performances on this day, with Reception holding their shows on Monday 12th (Class 3) Tuesday 13th (Class 4) and Wednesday 14th (Class 5). Further details to follow.

We have now compiled the results of the parent survey which many of you kindly completed at the end of the summer term. The purpose of conducting these surveys is to tell us what your child's experience is like at Manor Park and to help us build on areas that you feel we can improve on. We are very grateful for the overwhelming positive feedback from this survey. The results are attached for your information.

Thank you for your continued support. My best wishes to everyone.

Jill O'Connor Headteacher

Dates for the term

Christmas Bring and Buy Sale

Monday 28th November

2.00pm-4:30pm

Friday 2nd December

Class 16 Assembly

Class 23 Assembly

Monday 5th December

National Child Measurement Programme Year R & Year 6

Monday 12th December

Class 3 Nativity

Tuesday 13th December

Class 4 Nativity

Wednesday 14th December

Class 5 Nativity

Thursday 15th December

Christmas Jumper Day & Lunch

Thursday 15th December

Nursery Nativities

Thursday 15th December

PTA Christmas Movie Night

Friday 16h December

Last day of Autumn term

Tuesday 3rd January

First day of Spring term

Tuesday 10th January

PTA Meeting 9.00am

Learning in Nursery

This week in Nursery we have been learning about castles, Kings and Queens. We learnt about all the different roles in a castle and dressed up as Kings and Queens and attended a royal banquet.

Learning in Reception

This week in Reception we have enjoyed reading the story 'Aliens Love Underpants' . We have used different media and materials to create our own alien.

Learning in Year 1

This week Year 1 learnt about a famous artist called Andy Goldsworthy. He is known for using nature to create land art and sculptures. Year 1 then created their own piece of land art.













Learning in Year 2

In English, Year 2 have been investigating different suffixes and discovering new words! We are going to use our new words in our character descriptions for Mickey in Fantasia!

Learning in Year 3

This week in Year 3 the children have been learning all about Greek sashes. In today's lesson they were designing their creations ready to be sewn in the next lesson.

Learning in Year 4

This week during our music lessons we managed to compose our own song about Roman roads, including Fosse Way and Watling Street. We performed our song to the class along with a guitar accompaniment.

Learning in Year 5

This week Year 5 learned about how pyramids were built. The children researched who designed them and used what they had learned to create their own pyramids in groups using different materials. They also compared ancient architecture to modern day architecture.



Learning in Year 6

This week Year 6 have been on a residential trip to Dol-y-Moch in Wales. They have taken part in lots of adventurous activities including kayaking, walking and orienteering; as well as a trip down a mine and a day on the beach. The children have had lots of fun and made some fabulous memories. Some children have stayed behind at school and taken part in orienteering, team challenges, baking and a camp fire. These children have also had a great time.



Manor Park University

This week the children in the cycling course have been leaning how to use hand signals whilst riding bicycles.





Charity Donations

A gentle reminder that we are collecting donations for our 2 chosen charities: Langar Aid and Project Gambia.

We now have both lists from the charities about what donations they need - please see the pictures attached. If you are not sure, please ask your child's class teacher.

We require donations to be in school by Thursday 8th December.

Many thanks in advance for your contributions.



Inclusion

It was lovely to see some of our parents at the coffee morning with the inclusion team and to be able to share with them the support we have available for the children.

It was great for us to get some feedback about what is working well and what we can do to better support our families. We are hoping to plan in another session in the new year and look forward to seeing some more faces. If you want any support, then we are available on the gates daily and always available via phone or email.





Learning support resources



Information and support leaflets

Come and borrow a book from the telephone box





Loan a maths game



Preloved uniform available at £1 an item



Project Gambia

From our Gambia Day last year, some of the money raised has been used to buy handwriting books for the children at St Peter's school as some of them were still writing on chalkboards. Project Gambia has also bought lots of paper for the 5 schools they work with. It is fantastic that we can see where our money is going. Most of the money went towards our sponsored children, where the money has helped buy food, uniform and school fees.

Many thanks for your support with our charities.



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.

Thank you

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.





Freephone: 0808 196 2660

Housing Advice

Weekly appointments available at all hubs across Coventry

Do you need advice about your housing situation? Are you at risk of losing your rented property or mortgage due to arrears?

Come and speak to us about your housing situation We also provide appointments at our office every Wednesday from 10am to 2pm

We have families appointments available on

the following days	
DAY/TIME	
EVERY TUESDAY FROM 11am-1pm	
EVERY THURSDAY FROM 10am-12pm	
EVERY FRIDAY FROM 10am-12pm	
EVERY MONDAY FROM 12-2pm	
EVERY TUESDAY FROM 12-1pm	
EVERY MONDAY FROM 9am-11pm	
EVERY FRIDAY FROM 9am-11pm	
EVERY FRIDAY FROM 1-3pm	

Contact us by email at: cov@p3charity.org