

9th September 2022

## Manor Park News



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

*Dear Parents and Carers,*

*Welcome back after what I hope has been a wonderful summer holiday spent with families and friends with lots of sunshine for us all to enjoy. Children and staff have been delighted to return to school and there has been a tremendous productive buzz around school. We are all looking forward to another exciting academic year, with amazing learning and opportunities to create memories to treasure for all members of our school community.*

*A very warm welcome to all our new children, families and staff who have all settled in really well. We hope you will all be very happy at Manor Park and assure you of a very warm welcome. We are always here to assist in any way that we can, so please ask if you have any questions or need any help at all. SLT can all be contacted directly by e-mail or alternatively please call the office for assistance. We will be delighted to help.*

*The school site has been a hive of activity all summer with a number of exciting projects taking place. We have had a new large outdoor classroom installed on the upper playground. This will hopefully be a very useful addition to the school for school based and community activities. SDH Academy, our holiday club provider, are hoping to roll out evening and weekend events for the whole community to enjoy using this self-contained building. Watch this space for developments.*

*We have had our reception outdoor area totally overhauled and resurfaced to make it more practical for children to use daily in the British weather. We will be developing this wonderful facility for our reception children to enjoy over the next few weeks.*

*Children have appreciated our new Year 5 and 6 girls and boys toilets which have been totally refurbished, as well as our new outdoor gym on the upper playground which will hopefully enhance playtimes and lunchtimes for the children. You will be aware that continuing to improve provision for our wonderful children is always top of our agenda!*

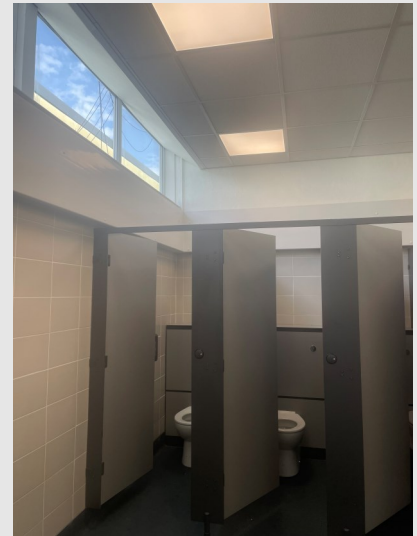
*Finally, we have been notified during the holiday that Mrs Graham will be leaving our SEN team today and Mrs Dhesi will be leaving our CHAMPS team next Friday as they both wish to spend more time looking after their grandchildren. We wish them well in this very special role and thank them for all their contributions to Manor Park.*

*Thank you for ensuring that all the children have returned in full uniform. They look amazing and have set the highest standards for this new academic year. The school photographer will be in school on Tuesday to capture them looking their very best. Parents may come into school on Tuesday between 8am and 9am if they would like to have family group photographs taken with siblings. Please come along to the school office between these times if you would like to take up this opportunity. All children in nursery upwards will have individual photographs taken during the school day.*

*Have a wonderful weekend. My best wishes to everyone.*

*Jill O'Connor Headteacher*

### Year 5/6 Toilets



### Reception Outdoor Area



### Outdoor Classroom





## Soar to Success—Self-Sufficient, Original, Attitude, Resilient

### Learning in Nursery

This week, the children have been settling into nursery and learning about the rules and routines. They have also been learning to name different parts of their face (facial features) and make their faces using different materials.



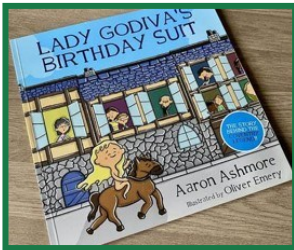
### Learning in Reception

This week, the reception children have had a great first week exploring their new classroom and outdoor area.



### Learning in Year 1

Year 1 have had a supersonic superhero WOW day! We completed different activities including a superhero assault course challenge; a superhero hunt where we had to read clues to find the answer; making a shield and making a superhero hand painting. We had a great day!



### Learning in Year 2

This week, Year 2 have learnt about the story of Lady Godiva. We used a local author's book to help us learn about the story and retell it through drama!



### Learning in Year 3

Year 3 have been learning about ancient Greece and have learnt about two Greek city states: Athens and Sparta. We went on a fact hunt to find information about both of them and shared our findings with our peers.

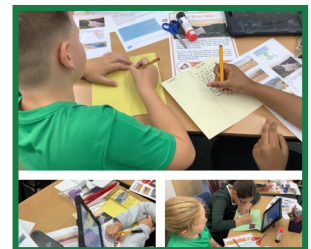


### Learning in Year 4

This week in Year 4 we have explored the three states of matter using balloons that have been frozen, filled with liquid, and filled with air.

### Learning in Year 5

Year 5 have had a fantastic first week back at school. We are so impressed with how well they have settled back into routines and expectations. This week, we have been learning about the country of Egypt including its location, the climate and the physical & human features within it.



### Learning in Year 6

We have loved welcoming Year 6 back to school and starting our learning about World War Two. This week, we have been looking at the key events that happened during the time period and using our chronology knowledge to create timelines. Well done Year 6!



### Manor Park University

This week during Manor Park University the children on the pottery course have been designing what they would like to create.



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### Queen Elizabeth II

As I'm sure you will all be aware, it is with sadness that Buckingham Palace announced yesterday the death of Her Majesty The Queen. We have now entered a period of national mourning that will continue until the end of the State Funeral. Once details of the funeral are confirmed by the Royal Household, we will receive further information and guidance which we will pass on to you. School will remain open during the mourning period, however we will be marking the life and reign of Her Majesty The Queen with some special activities during PSHE lessons next week. All activities will be age-appropriate and delivered sensitively, and any children who are struggling during this time will be fully supported.



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### Dates for the Diary

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
w/c 12.09.22		School Photographs (Individual) Sibling Photos 8.00am-9.00am			
w/c 19.09.22	Coventry Cathedral Trip Year 6	Careers Event 3.30pm-5.00pm Greek Day Year 3 Roman Day Year 4			
w/c 26.09.22	Herbert Art Gallery & Transport Museum trip Year 2 Class 9 & 11	Herbert Art Gallery & Transport Museum trip Year 2 Class 10	Egyptian Day Year 5		Macmillan Coffee Morning 9.30am

### 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.

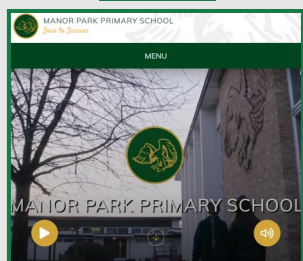
Could we please also remind parents to refrain from using the staff car park when dropping off and collecting children.

Thank you

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