

23rd September 2022



A message from our Headteacher: Jill O'Connor

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am sure you were all proud to be British, as we witnessed the historic scenes in the State Funeral on Monday. This event will be revisited by the children many times in their lives as it marks a significant part of British history. I hope you all enjoyed being able to share this momentous day with your children and families.

We have had a very busy although shorter week in school. Year 4 really enjoyed their visit from a Roman soldier and Year 3 had a wonderful day for their Greek day on Tuesday this week. Thank you to parents for supporting us with costumes as the children looked amazing dressed in their authentic attire.

Next week is the opportunity for Year 2 to visit the Herbert Gallery as part of their new topic. They are very excited about exploring our wonderful city. Year 5 will also be fully immersed in their new topic as they are having an Egyptian day on Wednesday.

We are holding a Macmillan coffee morning next Friday 30th September from 9am to mid-morning. This event will be hosted by some of our existing PTA members who are keen to re-establish this important part of school life. The coffee morning will be followed by a very short PTA AGM which is an essential part of their constitution. We are once again asking for cake donations from children which can be brought into school on Thursday or Friday. Children may also bring 50p to purchase a cake at breaktime on Friday, with all donations going to this very worthwhile charity. Please do call into the lower hall after dropping your child off to have a coffee, sweet treat and a chat. You will be assured of a very warm welcome and will get to meet other parents and some of the staff. If anyone is interested in getting involved with our new PTA and being part of organising events for our children, please contact Mrs Healy

[a\\_healy@manorpark.coventry.sch.uk](mailto:a_healy@manorpark.coventry.sch.uk) in the first instance. The first PTA event for children will be the very popular school discos which will take place on November 8th for reception and Key Stage 1 children and on November 10th for Key Stage 2, both running after school from 3.45 to 5.15pm Further details to follow.

Have a wonderful weekend. My best wishes to everyone. Thank you for your continued support in all areas of school which we really appreciate.

Jill O'Connor Headteacher

### Learning in Nursery

This week in nursery, we enjoyed making our very own jam sandwiches for Mr Bear in case he got hungry in the night.



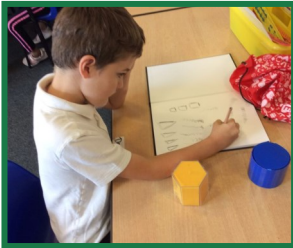
### Learning in Reception

This week in reception we have enjoyed sharing the story 'We're going on a Bear Hunt'. We then went on a sensory walk through the different scenes in the story.



### Learning in Year 1

This week Year 1 children were learning about everyday heroes. They learnt about Mary Seacole, a hero who made herbal remedies to heal soldiers in the war. We then got to experiment with making our own herbal remedies in our outdoor area.



### Learning in Year 2

This week Year 2 have been practising their sketching skills. We looked at sketching and shading ready to create our final piece of a Coventry monument.



### Learning in Year 3

This week Year 3 had their WOW day! We had an ancient Greek visitor who told us fascinating stories of Greek mythology, showed us ancient Greek artefacts and armour, and played ancient Greek games! He even judged our very own Olympic games, with running, boxing and chariot racing! Everyone had the most incredible day!



### Learning in Year 4

This week in Year 4 we welcomed a Roman soldier into our school. The children had a wonderful day looking at Roman artefacts, Roman marching and even took part in a gladiator battle.

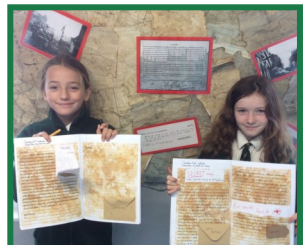
### Learning in Year 5

In Year 5 we have been learning all about the artefacts and items discovered in Tutankhamun's tomb. This week we've researched the different items, discussed why they were placed in the tomb and why they are so well preserved. In Art we experimented with different hatching skills and applied this to observational drawing. Everyone sketched their ancient Egyptian artefact and used different hatching skills to vary the tone.



### Learning in Year 6

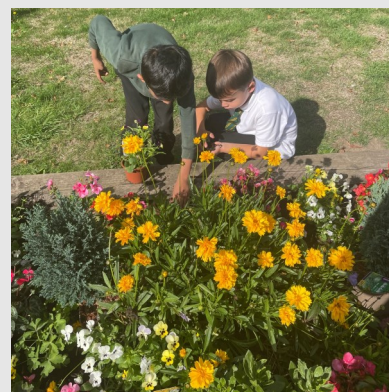
This week Year 6 have been inspired by the author Marcia Williams to create their own secret war time diaries. They have worked really hard on their use of emotive and informal language and produced some excellent writing. Well done, Year 6!





## Manor Park University

This week during Manor Park University the children on the gardening course have been planting lots of lovely flowers.



## Dates for the Diary

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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	School photograph retakes	Macmillan Coffee Morning 9.30am
w/c 03.10.22					
w/c 10.10.22					

### Covid-19

We have recently had confirmation from the local authority that the guidance for dealing with Covid cases remains the same as last term. If your child tests positive for Covid it is recommended that they isolate for 3 days. If your child has symptoms they are encouraged to stay at home until they feel well enough to return. If you require any further guidance please email [covid19@manorpark.coventry.sch.uk](mailto:covid19@manorpark.coventry.sch.uk) or contact the school office.

### Safeguarding Our After School Clubs

For any of our parents with children who access our after-school activities, can we ask that you inform the school office if your child has been in school but is not going to attend after school. This will ensure that we are not trying to locate your child unnecessarily when taking the after school registers.

Many Thanks

### Pupil Absence

If your child is absent from school please inform us as soon as possible by calling the school office and leaving a message on the absence line (option 1) or alternatively by emailing the school's attendance team at [attendance@manorpark.coventry.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@manorpark.coventry.sch.uk). If the school has not been informed by 9.20am a call will be made to the parents/carers. If there is any doubt about the whereabouts of a child, the learning mentor team will be notified who will try to establish contact to check on the safety and well being of the child.

Thank you.

### Lost Property

**This item belongs to:**

Please name your child's belongings

We make every effort to return any items in 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.

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