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

# 24th June 2022



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

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have really enjoyed welcoming parents of our new reception children into school this week as part of their child's induction process. Next week we are holding similar meetings for our new nursery parents. The purpose of these induction meetings is for parents to meet the staff on a 1:1 basis, obtain answers to any questions you may have and share useful pre-admission information about your child with us. We are very grateful to our new staff who are joining us in September for supporting the school by attending these meetings this term so you can have the opportunity of meeting them. I would like to extend a very warm welcome to all our new families. We are delighted that your child is joining our school in the not-too-distant future, and we can assure you that they will have a fantastic experience in our wonderful early years environment.

Over 100 of our Year 2 and 4 children are going to Coventry Cathedral on Tuesday next week to take part in a huge city music event The Big Sing Cultural Cantata. The annual Morning of Music event which schools in the city participate in, is being held on a much larger scale this year in recognition of Coventry City of Culture. Parents and visitors are able to attend and you can book tickets for what promises to be a fabulous musical event. We are looking forward to seeing you there.

Our Year 5 children are really looking forward to attending their overnight space camp which will be held at The National Space Centre in Leicester on Friday 1st July. They will have the opportunity to sleep in the museum under the stars for an out of this world experience. Have a great time Year 5.

We are delighted to inform you of the arrival of a new Manor Park baby, Lottie, a daughter for Miss Carr and her partner, born on Tuesday. Mum and baby are doing very well, and they will be in school for cuddles soon.

Mrs Goddard our nursery teacher, will be leaving school next Friday to begin her maternity leave. Our best wishes are extended to her at this very special time as she eagerly awaits her new arrival. Miss Pearson will be returning to nursery to cover the class when Mrs Goddard leaves for the rest of the term, having taught in nursery earlier this year.

We are always trying hard to improve communication with parents and we greatly value any parental feedback in this area. To give parents a clear overview of events for the month ahead, we have taken the recommendation of one of our parents to insert a monthly overview of events across the school in the newsletter each week. We hope you find this useful. Do let us know if there are any ways you feel we can improve our communications with you. We are aware that there is always a lot for you to remember in the hectic school calendar. A new date for your diary is our sports day which we are delighted that you are invited to attend this year. This will be held on Thursday July 14th between 1pm -2.10pm for Key Stage 1 children (Reception, Year 1 and Year 2) and between 2.15pm -3.20pm for Key Stage 2 (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6). Parents are welcome to attend either or both events. Further details to follow.

We are just finalising the new classes for September. All parents and children will be told their new class and teacher on Friday next week.

Have a lovely weekend.

Thank you for your continued support which we really appreciate.

Best wishes to everyone

Jill O'Connor Headteacher

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### Learning in Nursery

The children in Wrens and Robins have had an amazing time in our outdoor area with our wonderful selection of bikes. Great job everybody!

In Nursery, we celebrated World Music Day which was on Tuesday. We have been making instruments and engaging in lots of music and singing time this week. The children have been listening to pirate stories and have made treasure maps using detailed drawings. We have used numicon to count and label amounts and the children enjoyed exploring this resource. We have also learnt to read and write 'u'.







#### Learning in Reception

This week the Reception children have been looking at the differences between seaside foods from the past and now. We enjoyed our very own beach picnic!



### Learning in Year 1

Year 1 got creative in their outdoor area this week. In Science they have been naming, sorting and recording a variety of everyday materials. Then outside they used loose parts, for example twigs, stones, pom-poms, feathers and split pins to create pictures in a photo frame. We think the results are very eye-catching. Well done Year 1!



### Learning in Year 2

On Wednesday, Year 2 had their Pirate WOW day. We came to school dressed as pirates. We used some clues to find treasure, learnt how to speak like a pirate and what some of the words they said mean and danced like pirates. We had a fantastic day! ARRR!



#### Learning in Year 3

This week, Year 3 have been learning about cave paintings, experimented with different mediums for creating art and used natural resources to create different textures. We then created our own cave paintings using authentic colours and textures to make our pictures look like they had painted on a cave wall.

## Learning in Year 4

The children in Year 4 have been incredibly busy completing their home learning. This is Arianna's very informative poster about how to keep your teeth healthy, and what happens if you do not take care of them!



#### Learning in Year 5

This week, Year 5 have been investigating and researching on what life in space is like. Children have looked at life in the International Space Station with a particular focus on astronauts' hygiene, food & drink, exercise & fitness, experiments and what life in zero gravity would be like. The children created posters and presented to the rest of the class their findings.



## Learning in Year 6

This week, Year 6 have a fantastic visit from 'Tech She Can' where we discussed various environmental issues and thought carefully about how technology could solve these problems. We also looked at how different careers use tech and thought about what jobs might be created in the future.



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# Manor Park University in the Spotlight

This week during Manor Park University the children in the Textiles course have been working on design and creating their own cushions.











Dates for your Diary					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
w/c 27.06.22		Cultural Cantata event at Coventry Cathedral Year 2 and Year 4		Come and Share Session Year 2 3.30pm-4.00pm	Space Camp Year 5
w/c 04.07.22			Transition Day		MPU dance & theatre performances at the Albany Theatre 6.00pm
w/c 11.07.22				Sports Day  YR/KS1 1.00pm- 2.10pm  KS2 2.15pm-3.20pm	
w/c 18.07.22	Year 6 Show 2.00pm	Year 6 Show 6.00pm	Parents Evening 4.00pm-6.30pm	Red Kangaroo Trip Year 6	Last day of the summer term

## Clothing Coventry

A massive 'Thank You' from all of us at Manor Park for the generous donations of children's clothes for the Clothing Coventry charity. Members of the JLT gathered the donations which were then collected by Neal, Sarah and Abed on behalf of Clothing Coventry.

All of the donations will be distributed to families in Coventry who are in desperate need of clothing for their children.











