

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



Manor Park
Primary
School

Newsletter
12th June
2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you and your families safe and well.

We have had a fantastic week of learning both in school and online. It has been so good to welcome back children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6. The children have been delighted to be back and have been exceptional in the way that they have quickly adjusted to our covid secure school. All children in these year groups have a place allocated to them and we are expecting the third and final intake of children with pre-booked places next Monday 15th June. If any other children in these year groups want to join the children already back in school, please e mail your SLT link person to book a place. We would love to see you. We have had approximately 150 children in school each day this week, with another 30 expected next week and numbers in Year 6 remaining the highest.

Can I please stress to parents the importance of only sending your child into school if they are totally symptom-free. You will appreciate that we have to strictly follow Government guidelines and isolate the whole group bubble and staff member if any child in school displays any symptoms at all, including a cough or high temperature. If this occurs, we will ask the parent of the child to take them for a test as soon as possible and inform us of the results. All children and the staff member in the bubble will be sent home immediately and the whole group will remain off school until the results of the child's test is available. If this test is negative the whole group will be immediately reinstated and if positive the group will have to self-isolate for 14 days. You will understand how disruptive this is for families and how important it is that you are vigilant about ensuring that your child only comes to school when they are symptom free and well. Thank you for your support in this matter. It is vital that we all work together to support the whole school community and keep everyone safe. Tests are easily accessible and results are returned within 24 hours. Parents are advised to arrange tests for children directly through the NHS at <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/ask-for-a-test-to-check-if-you-have-coronavirus/>. Testing is now available in England for children of any age. However, for children aged 11 and under the parent is required to administer the swab test for their child, whether using a home test kit or attending a drive-through regional test site. Instructions on how to do this will be provided.

We were very disappointed to hear the Government's announcement that schools will not be able to open fully for all children this term. We will of course update you immediately if we have any updates to this situation from the Local Authority. Online learning will remain in place for all children in all year groups with an interactive chat facility which will continue to operate every morning to support children and families in all year groups except Year 6. As almost all Year 6 children are now back in school full time with their teachers, online work will be set each week for Year 6 children to access daily without an interactive daily chat facility. Mrs Sanders is available by email if any Year 6 children or families need any support with their online learning. Year 6 staff are working hard to support the transition of our Year 6 pupils to their respective secondary schools. Staff have communicated with Year 7 staff to share our knowledge of the children. A programme of transition sessions is being delivered by Year 6 staff to support the children through this important change in their lives. The secure sharing of SEN information is scheduled to ensure secondary schools are given this key information, with further targeted transition learning planned for individuals, supported by the Complex Communication Team. Secondary schools should be contacting parents directly with details about beginning Year 7 (e.g. Finham Park have sent transition booklets and introductory videos to parents to help prepare their children at home).

We have recently had to reset all Seesaw codes as the licence duration had expired on them all. If any child is having any problems accessing the system since the re-set please let our IT technician know a_hughes@manorpark.coventry.sch.uk and he will support you.

Have a wonderful weekend, stay safe and well. My very best wishes to everyone.

Jill O'Connor - Headteacher

Spotlight on learning in school this week...

Nursery

This week in Nursery, we have been learning all about fish and how to keep them safe from pollution. We had fun doing our crude oil experiment where we made lots of predictions and observations.



EYEP

This week in EYEP, we have enjoyed using our hand prints to make animals using different materials and colours.



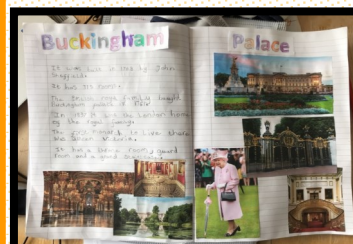
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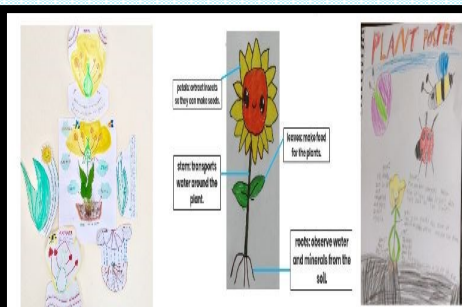
This week in Reception, we have been learning all about sea animals and rhyming words. The children have enjoyed making their own creative shark pictures using loose parts and mixed media.

Year 1

Year 1 have been researching famous London landmarks at home. Here is a fantastic piece of work all about Buckingham Palace.



Year 2



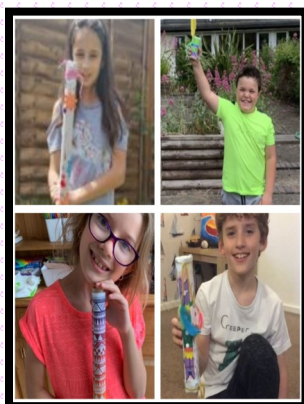
This week in Year 2, we have been learning about parts of a plant. Here are some of our fantastic posters!

Year 3



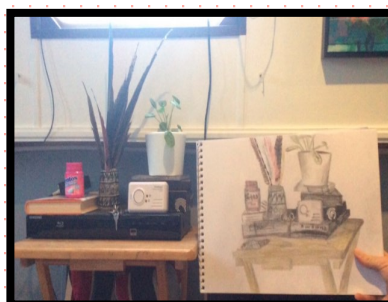
This week, Year 3 Key Worker children have been doing a socially distanced workout in the dining room.

Year 4



This week in Year 4, we made rain sticks out of recycled materials and created our own patterns to give the rain sticks a funky design. To create the rain sound, we used rice inside.

Year 6



In art, we have been drawing from still life. Isla has created a wonderful picture- it's so life like, It looks like it is a photograph at first glance.

Year 5



Following George Floyd's death in America, the children learnt about Martin Luther King's impact on the civil rights movement and wrote their own 'I have a dream' speech thinking carefully about the changes that need to happen in the world.

MANOR PARK NOTICES



Our theme for this week is:

'Connect'

One act of kindness can go a long way, even if it's just having something nice to say. In our current situation it's even more important and this is why we need this positive reinforcement.

Do something nice just to show you care, tell someone who's struggling that you will always be there,

In these uncertain times we need to be caring and we have to watch and wait as our country is repairing,

One simple act of kindness can make somebody's day so let's all pull together until this virus goes away

Mrs Healy

Website/app of the week: <https://moodpanda.com/>

A full list of useful websites can be found on the SEN page of our school website.

Challenge of the week: Do something helpful around the house to let your parents know how much you appreciate them.



Please be aware that we are now completely cashless so we can minimise the risk of Covid—19 transmission into school. Any payments made to us for CHAMPS, Nursery or school meals will need to be made via SIMS Pay. If you are experiencing any issues with this then please contact the office either by email admin@manorpark.coventry.sch.uk or by calling 02476501736 and we will happily assist.

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DOES YOUR CHILD OR
YOUNG PERSON HAVE
SPECIAL NEEDS?
HOW ARE YOU DOING?

Get in touch with us if you would like an invite to our Video Link Coffee Morning using Microsoft Teams App (we can help you with this). Meet other parents in a similar situation. Share with others in a friendly, non-judgemental environment, together with a member of staff from SENDIASS and Carers Trust Heart of England.

**VIDEO LINK
COFFEE MORNING**
THURSDAY 19TH JUNE 2020
(10:00 AM - 11:00 AM)

To request an invite and for further information contact:
SEND Information Advice and Support Service
Tel: 024 7669 4307 or email: iass@coventry.gov.uk



Year 1 have had a great week in school learning all about The Great Fire of London. Here are our very own Pudding Lane houses.



This week in English, the Year 6 children have been writing autobiographies. Sophie has put together a lovely presentation, sharing some wonderful stories from her childhood and some very sweet pictures from when she was younger.