



October 13th 2017

Newsletter 3

Dear Parents/Carers,

Attendance

Please find our recent attendance figures below; it is a priority for the school to raise the overall attendance figures. High attendance is celebrated and rewarded, weekly, termly and annually. Can we please ask that you support the school and the children by ensuring children are in school all of the time and on time. Thank you for your support. A **BIG** well done to Year 3 and Year 5, who have led the way in both weeks. What class can take the throne from year 3?

Week ending 29/09/17	
Year 3	99%
Year 5	98.8%
Year 2	98.6%
Year 6	96.7%
Year 1/2	95.2%
Year 4	94.8%
Reception/Y1	88.8%

Week ending 6/10/17	
Year 3	99.4%
Year 5	98.5%
Year 4	97.6%
Year 2	95.2%
Year 6	94.2%
Year 1/2	91.7%
Reception/Y1	85.8%

Harvest Celebrations

The school held two assemblies this week to celebrate the Harvest Festival. Thank you to all of those who donated produce; it will be donated to Hampers for Hope via St Cross Church and also the Welcome Café. I would also like to thank Reverend Paul for joining us at both of our assemblies. It was great to see so many people at the assemblies and the children were just great! I am always so proud of the attitudes and behaviour which our children

display on a daily basis. I am equally proud of how talented they are so it is lovely to be able to showcase these values and talents for visitors. Thank you to all who managed to attend.

Reception/Year 1 class Library Trip

On Wednesday 4th October, Reception/Year 1 class went for a walk to the Knutsford Library. Their topic for the term is books and they wanted to learn more about books so thought the library would be a great place to go. Jenny the librarian said what a very well behaved class of children they were. One of the school priorities is to further develop reading across the school so it is encouraging to see our youngest children visiting the library. Some of their thoughts were - "I read a caterpillar book" Isaac, "I loved it. There were lots of books in the library" Xander.

Trim Trail -

I am delighted to say that the school has a new Trim Trail that the children are benefitting from and will continue to benefit from over the coming years. There has been a slight problem with one of the apparatus but this has already been fixed. Can I ask parents to ensure that children do not play on the Trim Trail in the mornings or after school as they are not supervised by a member of the school staff. Thank you for your support on this matter.

Safeguarding-

Can I politely remind parents and carers that dogs are not allowed onto the school premises at any time. I understand that dogs are very cute and children love them. However, this is a safeguarding area and as such the school takes external advice on this and it is advice that we must follow. Again, thank you for your support.

Coffee Morning

Our weekly coffee and cake mornings are becoming a huge success, no doubt partly because of the quality of the cakes! They will continue in the meeting room every Monday morning. Please pop in if you can as it is a chance for you to speak to Miss Moreland who is our learning mentor and also Mrs Jeffery

about any concerns that you may have or anything that you think the school should be aware of. It is also a way that we can offer support for you and your families on a variety of different things. We are also developing a stock of lost property school uniform in the meeting room that we clean and iron to ensure that it is of a good quality.

HELP NEEDED!!

The school, MPSA and local community groups are raising funds to enable a MUGA, (Multi Use Games Arena) to be installed on the school field, next to the playground. As you can imagine this is a big project, but a project that will have a real beneficial effect on all of the children at Manor Park and the local community. I will be sending more information out next week about the AVIVA community fund that the school is competing in to support this project. If you can get as many people as possible to vote for our project, the more votes we get, the more chance we have of winning.

MPSA

The MPSA held their AGM last week in school and what came out of that meeting was how much the children of Manor Park have benefitted from their hard work. Not just the projects that we have been able to proceed with in school due to support with funding, but also the fun events that the children are able to take part in. Thank you to all of the parents and carers who help the MPSA- your hard work really makes a difference to the children of our school. At the meeting, the MPSA agreed to support the above MUGA project which is gratefully received.

Christmas Cards

Yes, it is that time of year! We are talking about Christmas cards. The children have designed their own Christmas cards and they will be coming home to you next Monday. The deadline for orders being delivered is Monday 30th October so if you can please make sure your requests are in by the end of the day on that Monday. These are great gifts for Christmas with the added advantage that you will be supporting the school.

Yours Faithfully,

Simon Cotterill

Head Teacher

Diary Dates Ahead

Please check the school website regularly and remember all letters are put on to the website for your added convenience.

16/10/17 Year 5 and Year 6 Anglo Saxon Day
18/10/17 Tempest Photography in school
18/10/17 Pastoral Governors Meeting
19/10/17 Cross Country Competition
19/10/17 MPSA Halloween Disco- details to follow
20/10/17 SCHOOL CLOSES

30/10/17 SCHOOL OPENS
1/11/17 Parents Evening
8/11/17 Parents Evening
8/11/17 School Nurse FLUENZ visit
9/11/17 Year 2 Transport Museum Trip
9/11/17 Tag Rugby Tournament
17/11/17 Children in Need day in school
17/11/17 MPSA Race Night
22/11/17 Resources Governor Meeting
23/11/17 Online Safety Day in school
23/11/17 Online Safety Parents Evening
23/11/17 Girls football tournament
1/12/17 MPSA Christmas Fair
2/12/17 Knutsford lights switch on
6/12/17 Learning & Teaching Governors meeting
6/12/17 Hockey taster session
7/12/17 Football tournament
15/12/17 Christmas Jumper Day
18/12/17 Full Governing body meeting
19/12/17 Carols around the Tree - KS2
20/12/17 Reception and KS1 nativity performance
21/12/17 Class Christmas Parties
22/12/17 SCHOOL CLOSES

8/1/18 SCHOOL OPENS
