



November 9th 2018

Newsletter 5

Dear Parents/Carers,

Attendance

The Manor Park Savings Bank is well underway now. All classes have earned some money and out in the lead currently is Year 1 after their fantastic start to this school year.

As you will be able to see, we experienced a slight drop in attendance during the last week of October. Hopefully things will steadily improve again and we will continue to record whole school totals of 97% and above.

As usual, if you have any questions about attendance, please pop into school and ask us.

Week ending 19/10/2018	
Year 2	98.1%
Year 5/6	98.1%
Year 4/5	97.7%
Year 3	96.9%
Year 3/4	96.9%
Year 1	96.7%
Reception	94.1%
Overall	97%

Week ending 26/10/2018	
Year 5/6	99.1%
Year 4/5	96.5%
Year 3	96.3%
Year 2	95.3%
Year 3/4	94.7%
Year 1	94.6%
Reception	94.1%
Overall	95.9%

Early Years Open Day

This Wednesday we opened our doors for an open day. We invited prospective parents and children into school to share and showcase our fabulous children, teachers, facilities and

everything that makes our school so amazing. It pleases me to say it was a big success with many mums, dads and children, who have never previously visited our school, joining us throughout the day. As always, I was very proud of the children and staff that made our visitors feel welcome and gave a small flavour of what a great place this is to learn. Please help us further by spreading/sharing positive messages about Manor Park in the local community and also using social media.

This brings me nicely to...Social Media

The school is active on both Facebook and Twitter. Please follow the school on-



Manorparkprimaryschoolandnursery



@ManorParkSchool

Remember, if you share, re-tweet or like one of our posts, we will reach a wider audience and more people will learn about our school.

Homework

I have sent a letter to all parents from Reception class to Y5/6 to consult on parent/carers views on homework. We are reviewing our homework provision across the school and will be making amendments to our homework policy in the coming weeks. Please spare a minute to give us your thoughts, and remember to tell us what you think is going well. Homework club continues to run on Wednesday and Thursday.

MPSA - Events

Halloween disco was a big success; the children had a fun time dancing and scaring each other with some amazing costumes. It never ceases to amaze me how talented some of our parents are when it comes to costume design! Thank you to all MPSA parents and staff who supported the event. The next MPSA event is the film night which is next Thursday, details have been sent out.

Sporting events -

Our football and netball teams continue to strive for greatness. Last night our Netball team played against Mobberley and I am pleased to report that they were victorious with a score line of 7-2.

Big shout out to Millie B who scored 5 goals.

Thank you to all of the staff who go that extra mile to support the children in their sporting endeavours!

Harvest Celebrations-

Thank you to all of our families who donated food for the Harvest appeal. Rev Paul joined the children in school for a special Harvest assembly where the food was displayed. Rev Paul then accepted the donations on behalf of St Cross Church who helped to distribute them with Hampers of Hope.

Thank you to all parents who joined us when we opened the school and our dinner hall to celebrate Harvest. Nearly 100 parents joined us which was amazing. I have passed on to the children and staff all of the kind comments and generous feedback that we received.

Parents Evenings

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended the parents evenings. The partnership between school and home is so important in ensuring that the children get the best start in life. If you were unable to attend and would like to speak to a class teacher then please use your child's planner to arrange a meeting.

Our SENDCO - Mrs Hazeldine is available on Wednesday 14th November until 5.30pm to offer guidance and support. Please contact the school office if you would like to make an appointment.

Garden Gang

I am pleased to inform you all that Mrs Rogers now has some helping hands in the allotment. A team of children will be helping Mrs Rogers to teach and support groups throughout the year. They have called themselves the 'Garden Gang' and they will help the Mini-Planters continue to 'grow' from strength to strength!

Remembrance assembly

We were joined by Rev Paul from St Cross Church this morning and we held a special remembrance assembly. The children were impeccable in observing the minutes silence and our head boy and girl, Joe and Eilidh helped to lead the assembly with Rev Paul. The Remembrance display that our children created can be seen in St Cross Church over the weekend.

Safeguarding

We were visited by PCSO Nancollas before half term and she shared tips during a special assembly on how to stay safe during the Halloween and Bonfire night celebrations.

Can I please ask that no dogs are brought onto the school grounds even if they are held in an adult's arm. Dogs can be beautiful, loving animals but not all children/people are confident when around dogs.

Can we ask that parents and carers resist the temptation to stand at the school gates smoking in the morning? Whilst I understand that this is completely the right of an individual adult, I think it is important that our children can breathe fresh air in the mornings, particularly outside of their primary school.

A polite notice that parents should not be parking on the school car park **at any times**. The car park is for staff only unless and separate arrangement has been agreed with the school.

Finally, our Stars and Geniuses are -

20/12/18 SCHOOL CLOSES - Toy Day

Week ending - 26 th October	
Genius of the Week	Star of the Week
Willo	Tiago
Maisie	Miaha
Amelia	Seth
Ezra	Logan
Henry	Toby
Oliver	Dawid
Jack	Lucy
Week ending - 9 th November	
Genius of the Week	Star of the Week
Summer	Scarlett
Amelia Rose	Sofie
Tom	Pravapreet
Bonnie	Nithin
Amelia	Leighton
Jack	Maggie
Jake	Joe

7/1/19 SCHOOL OPENS

31/1/19 MPSA Film Night

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.

12/11/18 Anti Bullying Week- Choose Respect
14/11/18 SENDCO drop in evening
15/11/18 Y5/6 girls Football Tournament
15/11/18 MPSA Film Night
16/11/18 MPSA meeting 9am at school
19/11/18 Y5/6 Cake Sale
20/11/18 Y5/6 WW2 Trip to Tatton Park
21/11/18 Y4/5 WW2 Trip to Tatton Park
28/11/18 KS1 Trip to Nantwich Museum
29/11/18 Y3/4 Ancient Egyptian Workshop
30/11/18 MPSA Christmas Fair
1/12/18 Choir @ Knutsford Light Switch on
5/12/18 Learning & Teaching Governors Meeting
13/12/18 Full Governing Body meeting
18/12/18 KS2- Christmas is Forever
18/12/18 Reception and KS1 Christmas parties
19/12/18 Reception and KS1 nativity performance
19/12/18 KS2 Christmas parties