



April 26th 2019

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Attendance

Please find the latest attendance figures below. Improving attendance continues to be a priority for the school and we aim for all classes to have attendance of over 96%. As you can see from the table below, we did not achieve that last week, with attendance being the lowest it has been for some time. Hopefully as the weather improves, some of the bugs and illnesses will also disappear!

Can I also remind parents that if your child is unwell, please let us know in writing once they return to school. This can be a letter, e mail or a note in your child's planner. If we do not receive this, we will be unable to authorise your child's absence.

Week ending 29 th March	
Year 5/6	98.7%
Year 3	98.2%
Year 2	96.8%
Year 3/4	95.8%
Reception	94.6%
Year 1	93%
Year 4/5	91.7%
Overall	95.7%

Week ending 5 th April	
Reception	100%
Year 3	94.5%
Year 2	94.4%
Year 3/4	94.2%
Year 1	92.2%
Year 5/6	90.6%
Year 4/5	86%
Overall	93.1%

Y2 Fox Howl Residential

The children from Year 2 had a fabulous time at Fox Howl for their residential. They spent one night away and took part in lots of fun

activities. Don't just take my word for it- here are some quotes from the children-

I enjoyed the orienteering as we worked in teams of 3 exploring fox howl with a map where we had to look for numbers and letters. Aiden

I liked the camp fire as we toasted marshmallows and had a smorph (marshmallow and biscuit sandwich). Lewis

We went in 2s and did the night line where one of us was blindfolded and the other had to give instructions. It was fun and tricky at the same time. Portia

Pond dipping was fun as we caught lots of different things. My group caught a leech. Tom My group collected sticks to make a den and we put them on the sides to make the walls and we used pine needle bricks to cover up the gaps.

We loved it. Jess

We used sticks to make pictures of the woodland. I made a sculpture of a tree out of pine needles, sticks and pine cones. Alfie

Thank you to- Mrs Jeffery, Mrs Durban and Mrs Taylor who joined the children on their adventures.

MUGA Grand Opening

It was an absolute pleasure to invite the Knutsford Town Mayor - Mr Peter Coats to officially open our school MUGA. This amazing new sporting resource has been the culmination of 2 years hard work by many people. After Mr Coats cut the ribbon and said a few words, a Netball festival took place with all of the primary schools of Knutsford invited. It was lovely to see children from all of the Knutsford schools together: competing, having fun and making new friends. Thank you to everyone who has helped us to make this a reality for our children and future Manor Park children.

Break times and Lunchtimes

Our children now have a plethora of fun things to do during break and lunchtimes. We have opened the Spinney for the children at lunchtime, the trim trail and MUGA are also timetabled for the children to use at lunch and

break. The quiet area is open for children to go and chill/relax/meet with friends. Each class also has their own 'box of fun' - Skipping ropes, balls, bean bags, hoops- which they can play with. Thank you to our school council children who have worked hard to consult with each class and make sure that we are always looking to improve things for the children.

Y4 Bikeability

Our Year 4 children took part in a level 2 Bikeability. As always the children were a credit to themselves and the school by modelling the school values in everything that they did. The instructors were most complimentary of our children's positive attitudes and also their impeccable good manners. Well done Year 4.

Easter Egg Hunt

Thank you to Miss Moreland for organising our Easter Egg hunt before we broke up for Easter. The children had a great time in the Spinney and we also raised over £200 for the school.

Defibrillator Training

The staff took part in Defibrillator training this week as part of our CPD. Nurse Janet joined us and from the North West Ambulance team to teach us how we should use the defibrillator that we have in the school reception, (we really do hope that we never need to use it). Thank you to our school council from last year who worked hard to raise money and purchase this for the school and the local community. If a defibrillator is needed and the school is open then local residents will be directed to us. This is another example of our children making a difference in the school and the wider community.

Garden Gang

As a school we are currently taking part in the RHS School gardening campaign. The garden Gang have just completed the Level 3 and Level 4 certificates and have received prizes of £150 worth of plug plants and vegetables and £100

worth of seeds. We are now working towards the Level 5 certificate which is the highest level a school can achieve. Well done to Mrs Rogers and the Garden Gang for all of the hard work that goes into our amazing allotment/garden.

Sports Day

Our Sports day is in the diary for Wednesday 22nd May. We are hopeful that the weather will be kind and that the children can have a great day on the sports field. More information will follow in due course.

COATS

Can you please ensure the your child comes to school with a coat. Even though the weather has been very nice, the rain is never far away in April in the Manchester area. Thank you.

Our Stars and Geniuses were -

Week ending -5th April 2019	
Genius of the Week	Star of the Week
Lilly	Ayla
Isobel	Maisie
Alfie	Riley
Charlie	Jack
Lily	George
Jamell	James
Ava Klages	Aaron
Week ending - 26th April 2019	
Genius of the Week	Star of the Week
Milly	Nevaeh
Riley	Savnnanh
Billy	Alex
Connor	Aaliyah
Logan	Oscar
Jessica	Maggie
Harrison	Jake

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.

30/4/19 Garden Gang visit Fryers Garden Centre
06/5/19 SCHOOL CLOSED MAY DAY
9/5/19 Lambs visit from Tatton Farm
10/5/19 Y3/4 Manchester Airport Trip
13/5/19-16/5/19 Year 6 SATS
22/5/19 Sports Day
24/5/19 Y5/6 Manchester Airport to visit school- 'Numbers at work'
24/5/19 Y4/5 Manchester Airport to visit school- 'Let's book a holiday'
24/5/19 SCHOOL CLOSES

3/6/19 SCHOOL OPENS
7/6/19 Y6 My World at Tatton Park
11/6/19 The Manor Park Garden Party