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Newsletter 7

Dear Parents/Carers,

Attendance

Attendance is a school priority as it is in many schools. For the children to receive the best possible start in life they need to be in school. We understand that at times, children are too ill to be in school and things can happen that cannot be avoided. But these things are rare, few and far between and the expectation both nationally and at Manor Park is for children to have an attendance above 96%.

We have shared our new attendance procedures with all parents in recent weeks and are following the guidance that has been provided at a National level. I would like to offer assurance to parents that we want to work together to ensure that children are in school and to offer support wherever it is needed.

We have an informative attendance display in the school reception area and have spoken to the children about attendance and the importance of school. The class with the highest weekly attendance has extra play time and own clothes Fridays! We have also started the Manor Park Attendance bank and classes are earning money for end of year treats.

Thank you to all parents, families and children who are supporting the school with attendance.

Raising Aspirations Project RAP

Our Year 5 and Year 6 children are learning a great deal about opportunities that are out in the big wide world. We have been teaching them

about the skills and attributes that are needed and also introducing them to the many many opportunities that are available to them as they become adults. We want our children to really believe our Vision of -

Limitless Dreams and Endless Opportunities.

We have visited Great Places head office where the children spent time learning about so many different careers and jobs from filming, directing and starring in their own blog to learning about engineering, building, safety, planning. It was an amazing visit that truly did teach and inspire the children in equal measure.

There are more visits/visitors on the horizon for our older children.

Reception out and about!

Our Reception children have been on their travels recently. They had a great time learning about their locality and where they live, they visited the park, bakery, shops and the welcome cafe. They also walked to the local Co-op to purchase the ingredients for meatballs and spaghetti which they then cooked in class when they got back to school. The children had a great time, learnt lots of new things, learnt new skills and made a delicious meal all at the same time.

Neurodiversity Week

Throughout the week beginning March 13th we will be taking part in a national celebration of neurodiversity. We will embrace the idea that people experience and interact with the world around them in many different ways; including many children in our school and members of the community.

Further information will follow nearer the time.

Nursery Places

If you or if you have friends/family who have children who are coming up to 2 years old and are looking to attend nursery. Please ask them to contact us sooner rather than later. As our

Nursery (and school) continues to develop/grow, there will be a waiting list in place for some sessions as the nursery will be at capacity. The sooner you visit us and reserve a place the more likely we will be able to provide you with exactly what you need.

Bikeability

Our Year 4 and Year 5 children have taken part in level 1 and level 2 bikeability over the past few weeks. They had a great time learning about road safety and being safe whilst riding a bike. The instructors were very complimentary of our children's manners and attitudes towards learning which is fabulous!

Warm Hub -

Our Warm Hub will remain open for any parents/members of the community who would like to pop into the school hall between 11.00am and 11.40am for tea, biscuits and a chat. This is just before the Bread and Butter Thing collection times which are Tuesdays at 12.00 Noon. Please share this message and let your friends and family know.

Year 5 Science Trip

The Y5 children had an amazing time experiencing a Science morning this week. After having a quick chat about safety procedures in the laboratory, the children got to perform an experiment where they were using Bunsen burners in order to burn acids to test them for oxygen and hydrogen. Next, the children were burning a variety of metals to discover what happened to the colour of the flame. Finally, Dr Britton finished with 'a big explosion', which all of the children were really enthused about! A big thank you to everyone at Knutsford Academy for collaborating with us to organise this fantastic event.

Play Leaders

We are always looking to add to our brilliant team of Play Leaders. Our play leaders are the heartbeat of lunchtimes in school supporting children in the hall and helping them play outside. If you would like to or know anyone who would like to join this team then please get in touch.

School Disco

It is our Spring school disco next week. Details have been sent out to all parents. The disco is after school on Thursday February 16th.

Parents Evenings & SSP parents evening

Our Main parents evening will be held on Wednesday 22nd March and 29th March and will be in person in the school hall. Details will be sent out after half term. We will also be holding an additional parents evening for all children with SSP targets on Wednesday 8th March, again details will be sent out after half term.

Tatton Perk Vouchers

Look out for a pair of free drink vouchers for Tatton Perk in your home reading bags. Two tickets per week next half term. More info will be sent next week!!

Mr Cotterill
Head Teacher

Diary Dates Ahead

14-2-23 Year 6 Raising Aspirations Trip - Amelia Knight Beauty Solutions
15-2-23 Year 5 Raising Aspirations Trip - Amelia Knight Beauty Solutions
16-2-23 Year 5/6 Raising Aspirations Trip - Amelia Knight Beauty Solutions
16-2-23 Little Champions - Reception class
16-2-23 School Disco
17-2-23 SCHOOL CLOSES FOR HALF TERM

27-2-23 SCHOOL OPENS AFTER HALF TERM
1-3-23 Year 5 Raising Aspirations Trip - Manchester Airport
2-3-23 Year 5/6 Raising Aspirations Trip - Manchester Airport
3-3-23 Year 6 Raising Aspirations Trip - Manchester Airport
8-3-23 SSP Parents Evening
WKB 13-3 Neurodiversity Week in school
WKB 13-3 Book Fair Week
22-3-23 Parents Evening 1
29-3-23 Parents Evening 2
30-3-23 Local Governing Body Meeting
31-3-23 SCHOOL CLOSES FOR EASTER