



December 13th 2019

Newsletter 7

Dear Parents/Carers,

Attendance

Attendance continues to be causing us some concerns at the moment, particularly our number of unauthorised absences. **Can I continue to remind you that all absences need to be followed up in writing even if you have telephoned school or spoken to someone on the yard. Without written confirmation, we will be unable to authorise the absence.** If you have too many unauthorised absences, we may need to invite you to a meeting in school which could possibly be avoided.

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

| Week ending 6 th December | |
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| Year 3 | 98.9% |
| Year 4T | 96.4% |
| Year 6 | 95.6% |
| Year 2 | 94.8% |
| Year 5 | 94.7% |
| Year 4 | 91% |
| Year 1 | 89.6% |
| Reception | 89.3% |
| Overall | 93.9% |

| Week ending 13 th December | |
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| Year 1 | 100% |
| Year 3 | 99.6% |
| Year 5 | 95.9% |
| Year 2 | 95.2% |
| Reception | 94.4% |
| Year 6 | 94.4% |
| Year 4 | 93% |
| Year 4T | 92.7% |
| Overall | 95.8% |

Year 1 and Year 2 Trip

Our Year 1 & Year 2 children visited the Wirral Transport museum last week and had an amazing time. The children have been learning lots of different facts and information about old and

new transport and their class text is called 'The Naughty Bus'

"The model railway was cool," Mollie

"I loved having my lunch sat on an old tram,"
Amelia Rose

"I liked hearing all of the interesting facts,"
Felix.

This visit really helped to bring the learning to life for the children.

School Council

Manor Park School Council representatives recently attended a Knutsford Sustainability meeting with other children from Knutsford Schools. The children discussed what they wish to happen in the Knutsford Community regarding the recycling and reusing of plastic. The children of Manor Park are hard at work creating posters to promote the campaign that will be displayed around the Knutsford area. We have also begun our very own 'Trash Mob'. Each half term a class will be responsible for ensuring that any litter is tidied from the school playground and that items are recycled correctly. Also, we now have a recycling bin in every classroom. We hope that you will join us in our mission to reduce and recycle single use plastic.

Christmas Fair

Our Christmas fair was a resounding success. Thank you to all of the parents from the MPSA and all of the staff who helped to make it a wonderful event. A particular thank you to a very special visitor who managed to join us with his elves even though this is a very busy time of year for him.

Christmas Performances

Our Christmas performances are approaching fast. We opened the school at 8.00am on Monday to make sure all parents had the opportunity to get tickets. Our children are practicing away with lots of drama and singing taking place. Performances are as follows - KS2 Tuesday 17th December at 2.00pm and 6.00pm and KS1/Reception Wednesday 18th December at 2.00pm and 6.00pm. I am sure you understand that we will need ALL children back at school for both evening performances

Christmas Dinner

Our children and staff enjoyed a very tasty Christmas Dinner on Thursday. Thank you to Wendy, Karolina and Mary not only for this lovely dinner but for all of their hard work over the past year.

Reindeers at Manor Park

We were very lucky to have two special visitors to the school this week. Our friends from Tatton farm visited us with real life Reindeers which was amazing. The children all got to meet Prancer and Dancer and asked lots of questions. Thank you to Elly, Jayne and Sam from Tatton Farm.

Competition Winners

Well done to Isha from Year 3 and Olivia from Year 5 who won the road safety poster competition. PCSO Pountain visited the school this week to award them their prizes. The posters have been made into leaflets to be given to people who commit parking offences near local schools.

School Choir

Our school choir were magnificent last week at the Knutsford Light Switch on. They sang three songs on the main stage and as always, the children were a credit to the school. They have also sung at Sharstone House this week, well done to all of the children involved. Thank you to Miss Cernik and Mr Jones for dedicating their time to support our choir.

School Governors

Thank you to our school governors who continue to do an amazing job in supporting the staff, children and parents. Over the past term they have visited the school on many occasions to meet with the children to talk about - curriculum, maths, finance and they have also spent time observing children learn phonics, music, TT Rockstars and geography. Our governors are all volunteers who give up their time to help our school to be the great place that it is.

Our Stars and Geniuses were -

| Week ending - 6th December 2019 | |
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| Genius of the Week | Star of the Week |
| Hope | Sarah |
| Lilly | Dakota |
| Raman | Armani |
| Tyler | Charlie |
| Dylan | Rylie |
| Corey | Bella |
| Ciara | Imogen |
| Reece | Oliver |

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| Genius of the Week | Star of the Week |
| Pippa | Isobel |
| Millie | Summer |
| Luis | Oscar |
| Max | Logan |
| George | Ben |
| Shelby | Bonnie |
| Logan | Henry |
| Lucie | Naomi |

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.

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| 17/12/19 KS2 Christmas Performances - 2pm & 6pm |
| 18/12/19 Reception and KS1 nativity performances - 2pm & 6pm |
| 19/12/19 Class Christmas Parties (afternoon) |
| 20/12/19 SCHOOL CLOSES |

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| 6/1/20 SCHOOL OPENS for staff |
| 7/1/20 SCHOOL OPENS FOR CHILDREN |
| 16/1/20 Knutsford Youth Council meeting |
| 30/1/20 Pastoral Governors meeting |
| 13/2/20 MPSA Valentine Disco |
| 13/2/20 Resources Governors meeting |
| 14/2/20 SCHOOL CLOSES |