

School News 1st July 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

What another couple of wonderful weeks we have had at Manor Way with so much going on since the last newsletter! I can't quite believe what the children have achieved so far this half term.

Our Year 4 and 5 pupils went to the Midlands Arts Centre at Cannon Hill Park to attend the Artsmark Celebration event. The event celebrated the films that our very talented pupils created and animated during the Artsmark project. We are proud to share that Manor Way were presented with an award for their animation. We will share the film with you in the next newsletter.

Sports Day was back this year and we had a ball! A huge thank you to all our parents, friends and family that came to see us and celebrate the children and their achievements. It was so great to have everyone back together again with the children at the heart of the event!



Congratulations also to the children that represented us in the County Sports Day at Halesowen Athletics Club. They were fabulous role models and represented Manor Way superbly. Well done!

We also had a fabulous day when we hosted our 'Dads and Doughnuts Day', it was a great day enjoyed by all and definitely in the calendar for next year! Thank you to all our Dads, Uncles, Grandads and special people that came and joined us.



There is always lots to think about at this time of the year as we start to plan for September. We have included transition information to support your children moving to their new class and new teacher.

There are reading sessions, waves and a virtual transition meeting for parents to meet your child's new teacher. Children will also move to their new teacher for the last three days of term after a party day on Friday 15th July with their current teacher! They will be learning all about the Commonwealth Games during these three days. Children will return to their current teacher for the last hour on Thursday so they can say another goodbye.

We hope that by moving to their new class and working with their new teacher, for three days, it will take away any worries or questions that the children may have over the summer holiday. They return knowing where to go and having already built a relationship with their new teacher.

The transition arrangements follow in this newsletter and if you have any questions then please don't hesitate to ask.

It is also at this time of the year that we sometimes say goodbye to current staff and welcome in new staff. We say goodbye and a great big thank you to Mrs Poole who has an exciting new job close to her home in Telford. Mrs Poole has moved mountains to get sport and PE back up and running after Covid and we thank her for all her hard work. We also say goodbye and thank you to Mrs Friar who has retired from her role as dinner supervisor. It was an emotional moment when the children presented her with her bouquet on the playground last week.

We would like to welcome our new PE teacher, Mr Griffiths, an experienced PE teacher, who introduces himself below and a big welcome to Mrs Howard who is our new Higher Level Teaching Assistant (HLTA) who will be teaching across all year groups. Welcome also to our new Early Years teachers who are joining us. Miss Edmonds will be leading our Nursery and Miss Stanton will be replacing Mrs Whitmore in our Reception class.

Our thoughts also turn to our Year 6 pupils who are busy putting together their Leavers Play and we look forward to this and their Leaver's Award Ceremony and also to our EYFS Graduation ceremony over the next few weeks..

So lots to think about, lots to plan for and lots to celebrate! A busy and exciting time at Manor Way! Have a wonderful weekend and please come along to the Quiz tonight at Old Hales Rugby Club

Lisa Buffery - Executive Headteacher
Annabel Whitmore - Deputy Headteacher

Come and join the PTA on Friday 1st July at 7.30 pm at Old Hales Rugby Club
£2 per person with a maximum of 8 in a team.

Quiz Prizes so far are:

- a round of golf for 4 people at halesowen golf club!
- A boozy basket
- a family dine out voucher

Any other donations would be greatly appreciated.

There is also a choccy hamper for the raffle and a £25 prize for Heads and Tails.



Transition to Next Year's Teacher

That time has come around again and our thoughts turn to the next class that your child will be moving to. We are keen to ensure that we make the transition for children from their present class to their new class a smooth one and we have planned a series of transition activities for the children in our current Reception to Year 5 classes. These activities will help them become familiar with their new teacher and prepare them for a happy and successful start to the new school year.

If you have any questions about next year then please do not hesitate to speak to us. If your child has any transitional needs then teachers and Mrs Whitmore, our SENCo, will liaise to ensure that transition is well supported and children are happy.

Teachers for next year are:

Sept 22	Teachers	Classroom	Morning entrance
Pre School	Miss Edmonds Miss Rowe	Preschool	Pre School Door
Reception	Mrs Stanton	Reception	Reception Door
Year 1	Mrs Hutchinson	Current Year 1 class	Link corridor in order to put away their coats and bags in their cloakroom boxes
Year 2	Miss Ahmed	Current Year 2 class	Link corridor in order to put away their coats and bags in their cloakroom boxes
Year 3	Miss Wall	Current Year 3 class	Fire escape
Year 4	Mrs Gibbons	Current Year 4 class	Fire escape
Year 5	Mrs Golden	Current Year 5 class	Fire escape
Year 6	Mrs Brettle	Current Year 6 class	Classroom door

Date	Transition Arrangements
Wed 13th	<p>Virtual 'Meet the Teacher' meeting with parents and carers. Each teacher will host two transition meetings in order for parents with siblings to attend their meetings. If you have three children in school we will make separate arrangements for your third meeting with the teacher. Further information will follow.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Meeting 1 3.50 - 4.15 Meeting 2 4.20 - 4.45</p>
Before the 15th July	<p>Story time All children will have an opportunity for their new teacher to visit their class and read them a story. This will be organised by the teachers at a time that works with their curriculum planning.</p>
15.7.22	<p>Friday Fun Day A day where the children and staff (and parents, if you want to!) can come in Fancy Dress to celebrate the fact that they have all been heroes this year. It will be a day of fun and celebration.</p>

	This will be the last full day that your child will spend with their current teacher as they will have three full transition days with their new teacher at the start of the last week.
15.7.22	<p>Send a Wave</p> <p>New teachers will 'send a wave' to the children at home via Class Dojo with information all about themselves.</p> <p>A template of a wave will be uploaded to Class Dojo so children can complete their own and 'send a wave' back to their new teacher.</p>
18.7.22 19.7.22 20.7.22	<p>Transition Days</p> <p>Your child will come into school and go to their new classroom and be taught by their new teacher on Monday 18th, Tuesday 19th and Wednesday 20th of July. This will support them to be familiar with their classroom and their teacher before they break up.</p> <p>On the last day, 21.7.22, the children will return to their current teacher and classroom for the last hour before dinner to say goodbye and get ready for hometime and breaking up.</p> <p>Year 6 will have a series of activities planned for them on these days and their traditional send off at hometime.</p>

Goodbye to...

On Friday 24th June we said Goodbye to Mrs Friar, one of our Lunchtime Supervisors. Mrs Friar started with Manor Way in October 2009 so has been at Manor Way for 12 years. We will miss her enormously and wish her a well earned retirement.



I have very much enjoyed my time at Manor Way and Tenterfields. Both schools and their communities have made me feel so welcome and comfortable. The children are amazing and I know they will go on to be successful in their futures. I hope they've enjoyed their sport and PE lessons and I wish them and you all the best!

Welcome to...



Hello everyone! My name is Kate Howard and I am going to be joining Manor Way in September. I have been a teacher for a long time and I am looking forward to getting to know you all and being part of all of the fantastic things I know that you do at your school.

When I am not at school I enjoy spending time with my family. I have two boys who keep me very busy. I like to spend time outdoors, visiting new places, family bike rides and going for long walks. I love reading books and look forward to reading one to you all very soon!



Hello, my name is Mr Griffiths! Having taught across different year groups and leading PE in my previous school, I am very much looking forward to starting my journey with Manor Way and Tenterfield Primary school as the new PE teacher. I am passionate about health, fitness and well-being and enjoy a range of different sports, particularly rugby. I am eager to get started and share my vision of what PE has to offer a child's physical and mental development.

My name is Miss Edmonds and I am going to be your new class teacher in the new school year. It's going to be a wonderful year with lots of fun and learning. I really can't wait until the first day of term so that I can meet you and we can talk about all the new and exciting things we have planned!



My Favourites:

- Food: Mint Chocolate
- Book: Ballet shoes
- Hobby: Going to theatre
- Sport: Dance
- Animal: Giraffes
- Movie: Mamma Mia
- Subject: English



Nursery children have received their postcards from Miss Edmonds and Reception have received their postcards from Miss Stanton.

My name is Miss Stanton and I am going to be your new class teacher in the new school year. It's going to be a wonderful year with lots of fun and learning. I really can't wait until the first day of term so that I can meet you and we can talk about all the new and exciting things we have planned!



My Favourites:





- Food: Apple crumble
- Book: Harry Potter
- Hobby: Playing piano
- Sport: Swimming & roller skating
- Animal: Chinchilla
- Movie: Moana
- Subject: Art







Celebrating Success

Praise Certificates were awarded to the following children. A huge well done to them all for working hard on their ASPIRE Character Virtues!

Praise Certificates- Friday 17th June		
R	Evelyn Farr & Jamie Smith	Working collaboratively in different learning and play activities.
Year 1	Elliott Hutchinson	Working collaboratively in drama activities.
Year 2	Imogen Farrell	For working collaboratively with her partner in English.
Year 3	Hope Rutter	For working collaboratively across all subjects with peers and staff.
Year 4	Shakeel Khan	Working collaboratively in science
Year 5	Emily Lewis	For working collaboratively in paired learning tasks to produce a high quality piece of learning.
Year 6	Madison Devine	Excellent team work during activities at Kingswood and supporting others throughout.

  Praise Certificates- Friday 24th June  		
R	Zephaniah Flanagan	Contributing his ideas in our class science discussions.
Year 1	Oliver Lim	Progress in developing his communication skills in group work and in writing.
Year 2	Harry Bevan	For communicating clearly.
Year 3	Jayden Rowe	For communicating clearly with peers & staff.
Year 4	Brooke Gittens	For being able to communicate her ideas confidently and articulately during recent WAT filming
Year 5	Cameron Deakin	For increasing confidence in articulation and communication skills
Year 6	James Price	For verbally being able to justify his reasoning in both Maths and Science clearly.

  Praise Certificates- Friday 1st July  		
R	Idris Haynes	For settling into class R and for always being respectful and polite.
Year 1	Zayan Khan	For always showing respect to others.
Year 2	Jack Tate	For always being respectful towards adults and his peers.
Year 3	Dexter Smart	For being respectful towards adults and children
Year 4	Zara Gilbert	For her respectful attitude towards adults and peers in school.
Year 5	Lottie Perry	For being a role model for being respectful
Year 6	Jack Clifford	For always having a respectful attitude towards adults and his peers.

Hot Chocolate Friday!

Hot Chocolate Friday awards are given to celebrate pupils who are always displaying the right attitude and behaviour. The following children received these awards today: (24/06/22)



Reception	Georgia Wilkinson	
Year 1	Noah Birch	
Year 2	Elijah Dingley	
Year 3	Benji Small	
Year 4	Benjamin Koster	
Year 5	Kabir Mashiana	
Year 6	Riley Hadland	

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Reception	Luis Baggott
Year 1	Dylan Maguire
Year 2	Zachary Smith
Year 3	Emily Boswell
Year 4	Maya Yafai
Year 5	Mary Cole
Year 6	Isabelle Smart



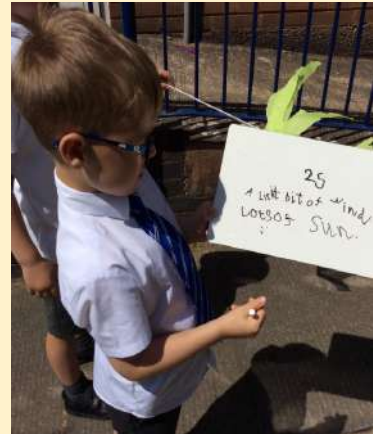
In Preschool, we have had a super super week. The children have been extremely busy and demonstrated dedication and hard work. Starting with performing on Monday for our "Dads and Doughnut" celebration as well as sharing our marvellous portraits of the special people in our lives. Preschool have also taken on the Big Toddle this week, we completed the whole mile with a couple of rest stops all whilst dressed as safari animals! What an achievement Preschool! We have been exploring life cycles in science, specifically related to the butterflies Life Cycle. The children have been wonderful this week, have a well deserved rest and I look forward to seeing you all again next week. Miss Hurst.



In Reception, we have had a fabulous week. We have been exploring the story 'Oliver's Fruit Salad' by Vivian French. The children have enjoyed talking about what foods are healthy and unhealthy and designing their own fruit salad. In maths, we have been learning about capacity. They have been using different containers to explore the different capacities. We have really enjoyed making some amazing pieces of art making faces out of fruit.



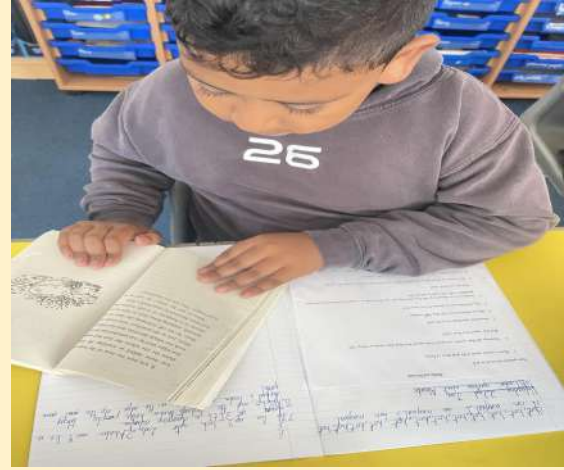
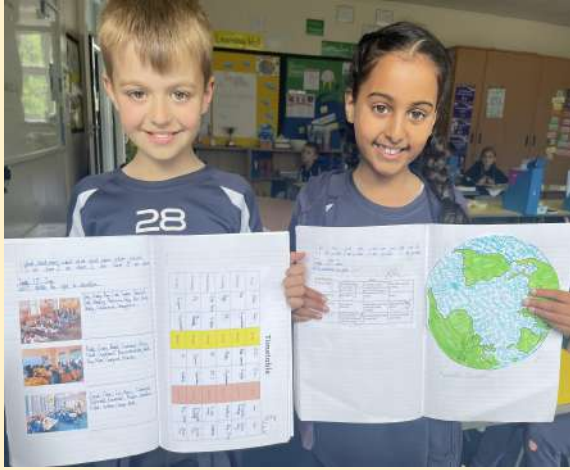
In Year 1, we have had a super fortnight continuing to learn about Pinocchio in English lessons. We have been taking part in drama activities as Pinocchio and Gepetto and have been learning how to write dialogue in a sentence. In maths, we have begun to learn about multiplication and division by practising repeated addition and finding half of a quantity. Last week we had a wonderful time being climate scientists and enjoyed exploring daily weather changes in the local area and further afield. We have also focused on asking scientific questions and finding out more about climate change. In our ASPIRE sessions, we found out what 'poverty' is and how it is different to not having the things you want.



In Year 2, this week in maths we have been learning to add and subtract 2-digit numbers using dienes and the column method. In English, we have been writing a newspaper article and diary entry based on the story, 'Little Red'. In our reading lesson, we have started our new class text, 'The Legend of Kevin' which we are thoroughly enjoying! We have also created some artwork in the style of the artist, Peter Thorpe.



In Year 3, we had a super week, from performing to our dads to lots of wonderful learning! In maths, we have been busy perfecting our arithmetic skills. In writing, we have been working hard writing our traditional fairy tales with a twist. We have loved using our creativity to give the reader lots of surprises. In curriculum, we have been exploring children's rights. We have looked closely at 'the right to education' and how education differs depending on what country you live in. In science, we have been identifying the different bones in the human body and the importance of a skeleton.



In Year 4, we have had a busy couple of weeks. I was so proud of all of the children when they completed their multiplication table check last week. They have worked so hard and should feel very pleased with all they have achieved.

We really enjoyed our trip to the MAC to watch our animations last week and also spent time in the galleries and park there. It was great fun. We have been working hard in school, writing poems to perform for our dads and we have also begun writing our persuasive advert for Stroodle straws (look them up, they are made of pasta!). In maths we have moved onto a new unit of work about 2d shapes, looking at angles and other properties. We also have been considering the advantages and disadvantages of plastic in our curriculum lessons and looking at food cycles in science. Phew!



In Year 5, we have been writing a letter to John Stones to insist that he helps to increase the amount of 'Child Free Labour Zones' there are in the world. We have particularly enjoyed developing football related puns to use. We have started our new book, The Fastest Boy in the World and can't wait to find out how the story unfolds for the main characters, Solomon and his grandfather.

We had a great time at the MAC celebrating our fantastic stop motion animations and then spent some wonderful time in Cannon Hill Park playing kick rounders!

On Friday, we enjoyed a whole day of sessions all about happiness delivered by published author, Andy Cope. We learnt all about 2%ers, mood hoovers and Hygge.



In Year 6, we have been writing a newspaper article about a creature, who has come to terrorise the town (this has been based on Beowulf). They have really enjoyed writing this and thoroughly enjoyed interviewing potential witnesses. We have also enjoyed reading our new book 'The Girl of Ink and Stars'. We have been exploring it through book chat and have looked at the language that has been used as well as comparing parts of the text.



An exciting part of this week has been the start of our production. All children have been given their roles and we have started to practise in the hall putting the songs together and thinking about where we need to go.

Attendance

Whole School Attendance from 20th - 24th June 2022

Reception	94.7%
Year 1	95.0%
Year 2	98.0%
Year 3	100%
Year 4	93.3%
Year 5	93.0%
Year 6	94.0%



Well done and congratulations to Year 3 for receiving the Attendance Trophy last week!

Manor Way Summer Fayre



Names on School Items

Please can we ask you to double check that everything your child brings into school is clearly named. We have lots of children with the same water bottles and lunch boxes and it will help us to avoid mix-ups and upsets, as well as return lost property when stray items are found. Unnamed uniforms are understandably almost impossible for us to return and we know that it is costly for you to replace. Names/initials added with a special laundry marker pen is fine!

Fundraising

On 16th July 2022 Jack and his Football Team are doing a sponsored 5K run to raise funds for their football team for next season.

If you would like to help Jack and his team please sponsor them using the Just Giving link! Thank you for your support.

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/halashawkssouthu8?utm_term=gQBarr4NG

Mary Stevens Hospice

On Tuesday 16th July we will be having a visit from the Mary Stevens Hospice Ice Cream bike. Ice creams will be on sale at 2.15 pm. Ice Creams will be available for children to buy at £1. If you would like your child to purchase an ice cream please send them into school with the money in a named envelope.

Summer Holiday Club 2022

Join us from Monday 25th July until Friday 19th August for some Manor Way Holiday Club fun! Activities for all - outings, crafts, special visitors, team games, beach day and more...
To secure your place email afterschool@manor.windsoracademytrust.org.uk
Daily cost £22 starting at 8.00 am finishing at 5.30pm.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 25/7/22	Summer Crafts make & take home a variety of items Choose from beads, masks, keyrings, knitting and lots more.....	Tasty Tuesday Try out some new recipes and enjoy them with your friends.	It's a Knockout Lots of fun games to enjoy with your friends.	Duck Racing at Leasowes Park Will your duck be the winner? Wellies & Outdoor clothes required.	The Beach comes to Manor Way Sand, water, fish & chip lunch, icecream, Punch & Judy, beach balls.....
Week 2 1/8/22	Loose Parts What will you make with our large variety of unusual items, tyres, boxes, ropes & pulleys.....	Dinosaur Day An exciting day of all things Jurassic! Fossil making, quizzes, hunt the bones, dressing up & a visit from The Lowe Ranger!	BBQ Enjoy an alfresco lunch of BBQ food for all (vegetarian, dairy/nut free & Halal options provided) & dessert.	Crazy Golf Try your hand at our very crazy course!	Yoga with Lyndsey A relaxing end to the week!
Week 3 8/8/22	All the fun of the Fayre Traditional fairground games, hook a duck, coconut shy, hoopla plus tasty treats including Candy Floss...	Soft Play at Halesowen Leisure Centre * **	Construction Challenge Build with a variety of different resources.	Bubble Fun Fun with our bubble machine - 1,000's of bubbles to run through and pop. Join in our bubble challenges and bubble crafts.	Haden Hill Park * ** Catch the bus and explore this lovely park with us.
Week 4 15/8/22	Messy Play Day Create havoc with jelly baths, shaving foam, clay mud, foot painting (bring spare clothes!).	Water fun Paddling pools, water squirters and all things wet!! (bring spare clothes)	Gymnastics Join in the gym session with coach Lisa.	Forest School Build dens, hunt bugs and create fairy houses.	Picnic & Party

*Off Site Visit ** incurs small additional charge

Preschool Applications

We have a few places available in our Preschool for September starters. To apply, or for more information, please click here. [Preschool Application Form](#)

Bereavement Support

We would like to let Parents/Carers know that should your child need any support in relation to the loss of a family member we have a trained member of staff (Mrs Douglas) in school. Please do not hesitate to contact the School Office if your children need support as we can put support in immediately and for a period of time.

Halesowen Carnival



**HALESOWEN
CARNIVAL**
& music festival

Fun day out for all the family

2nd July, 12 noon until 8pm
FAIR, LIVE MUSIC & DANCE, DELICIOUS FOOD & DRINK
FREE TO ENTER DOG SHOW, VARIETY OF STALLS + LOADS MORE

FREE ENTRY TO EVENT

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Road Safety

The Road Safety & Awareness Team at Dudley Borough Council provide road safety education and advice to school children and the community across the Dudley Borough. We have been asked to share with you services you are able to access directly and as required.

Why not take a look at the Road Safety & Travel Awareness page click [here](#).
Facebook Page - <https://www.facebook.com/RoadSafetyDudleyCouncil>

DIARY DATES

1st July	Friends of Manor Way Quiz
4th July	Academy Photography - Leavers and Class Pictures
7th July	EYFS Sports Day 9.30 - 10.30 am
8th July	Non Uniform Day - Chocolate Donations for Summer Fayre
12th July	Summer Fayre - after school
15th July	EYFS Graduation
15th July	Leavers assembly and Awards 1.30 pm
15th July	Year 6 Sleepover
21st July	Last Day of Term Finishes at 1.30pm
22nd July	Inset Day
5th Sept	Inset Day

TERM DATES 2022-2023

Summer Term 2022

Term starts: Monday 25th April 2022

Half Term: Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June 2022

Training Day: Monday 27th June 2022

Last day of term: Thursday 21st July 2022 (pick up at 1.30 pm)

Extra Bank holiday : Friday 22nd July 2022

Autumn Term 2022

Training Days: Monday 5th September 2022

Term Starts for children: Tuesday 6th September 2022

Half Term holiday: Monday 24th October to Friday 28th October 2022

Last day of term: Friday 16th December 2022

Spring Term 2023

Training Day: Tuesday 3rd January 2023

Term Starts for children: Wednesday 4th January 2023

Half Term holiday: Monday 20th February to Friday 24th February 2023

Last day of term: Friday 31st March 2023

Summer Term 2023

Training Day: Monday 17th April 2023

Term starts for children: Tuesday 18th April 2023

Bank Holiday : Monday 1st May 2023

Half Term holiday: Monday 29th May to Friday 2nd June 2023

Last day of term for children: Friday 21st July 2023 **TBC**

Training Days: Monday 24th and Tuesday 25th July 2023 **TBC**