



School News 27th May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

What an incredible end to the half term we have had! We have danced, sung, partied and thoroughly celebrated the Queen's Jubilee.

I am delighted to share with you that after a large number of applications and a very strong field of candidates, Mrs Whitmore was successful and is now the Deputy Head at Manor Way. I know you will join both myself and the staff in congratulating her on her promotion. Mrs Whitmore will also be the SENCo at Manor Way as part of her Deputy Head role.

We are currently recruiting more readers and we will be running a session to go through how we hear readers at school. If anyone has a spare hour or knows anyone in the community who would enjoy this then please contact the school. There is nothing more amazing than being read to by children!

Have a wonderful half term and enjoy your jubilee celebrations. Zara is going to Buckingham Palace for the Party in the Park so we look forward to hearing all about this.

Please check the dates for next term as it is a busy and exciting one!

Lisa Buffery - Executive Headteacher

Jubilee Celebrations



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 27th May		
R	Doug Whitley	For always asking questions and challenging himself to help further his understanding.		
Year 1	Alfie Hancock	Reflecting on what he has done and asking himself how he could improve.		
Year 2	Cooper Harris	For being able to reflect on her learning and make improvements.		
Year 3	Alice Browne	For having fantastic methods 'to become unstuck' and increase challenge.		
Year 4	Frankie Davey	Pushing herself in her learning and using what she knows to help herself work out what she doesn't!		
Year 5	Amelie Stephens	For detailed and accurate self assessments.		
Year 6	Cara-Grace Woodward	Recalling previous knowledge and recognising the links that it makes to the new learning.		

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:

Reception	Evie Woodward
Year 1	Celine Sultan
Year 2	Eddie Dingley
Year 3	Maddison Harland
Year 4	Esther Jones
Year 5	Annabelle Tresler-Mooney
Year 6	Logan Smart



Our Learning this week...

In Preschool, this week we have continued with our whole class reading book 'Look Up' by Nathan Bryon. Alongside this we have been making flags, identifying the colours that are on the Union Jack. Using our fine motor skills to create crowns. We have also learnt all about the Queens' corgis. We have taken part in some fun maths activities in which we worked hard to feed two corgis the same amount of sausages, then work out how many were there altogether. We have taken part in some outdoor learning in which we put our fine motor skills to the test and created some amazing sceptres! On top of this the children have really enjoyed taking part in our penultimate Royal relay race. We all enjoyed our picnic on the field to celebrate the platinum jubilee and dressing up on red, white and blue day. What a marvellous jam packed week of learning! Have a wonderful break everybody and me and Miss Rowe look forward to welcoming you back in June! All the best Miss Hurst!



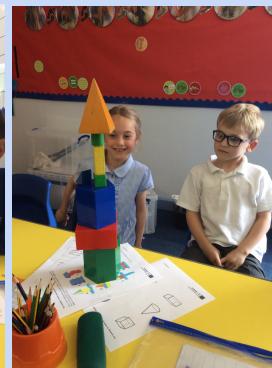
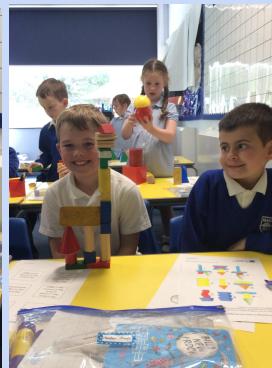
In Reception, this week we have continued our whole class reading book 'Princes Cinders', by Babette Cole. They have been making flags, crowns and having tea parties in celebration of the Platinum Jubilee next week. In literacy they have been writing party invitations, in maths they have been learning all about number bonds to 5. For our understanding of the world, the children have been talking about how different things were in the past when the queen was first crowned, compared to the present day. We all enjoyed our picnic on the field to celebrate the platinum jubilee and dressing up on 'Red, white and blue day'. Have a lovely rest over half term and enjoy the celebrations! Best wishes Miss Glasford, Mrs France and Mrs Whitmore.



In Year 1, we have had a right, royal time preparing for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We have reviewed members of the Royal Family and have made our own Queen Elizabeth II puppets to observe us getting ready to celebrate this week. In English, we started writing sentences about our new text - Pinocchio. We learned about comparative words and how we use 'er' at the end of these when we are spelling them - for example quicker, longer. In maths, we started our new topic of addition and subtraction and have practised using number bonds to 20 to help us with this. The children have worked incredibly hard in phonics lessons this year and are looking forward to showing off their skills, when we take part in the national phonics screening check after half term. There will be some special phonics homework for the children to continue to practise their skills over the week. Mrs Douglas and I would like to wish everyone a wonderful half term with jolly jubilee celebrations!



In Year 2, this week in English we have been working towards planning our own version of 'The Bog Baby' and as part of this, we have been writing character and setting descriptions. In maths, we have continued to learn about the properties of 2D and 3D shapes. In our reading lessons, we have been developing our retrieval, inference and sequencing skills. In our curriculum lesson, we watched the animation, 'Jubilee' and wrote our own story about the Queen's Hat. Well done to Year 2 for a fabulous half term and for completing the KS1 SATs. Have a well deserved rest. Take care.



In Year 3, we have had a fantastic week. In maths, we have worked hard comparing different angles and lines. In writing, we have published wonderful poems about summer. Our creativity was fantastic. In curriculum, we have been learning about The Royal Family and Queen Elizabeth II. To celebrate the jubilee we also had our own version of a street party on the playground. In reading, we loved finishing 'Akimbo and the Elephants' and we are so excited to read 'Akimbo and the Lions' next! Well done for yet another fabulous half term, have a wonderful break and enjoy the celebrations!



In Year 4, we have had a very busy couple of weeks. In our maths lessons, we have completed our learning on decimals and begun a new unit all about money and measures. We have completed our English work, writing playscripts based on the plague. We have published these and are very pleased with the results. In our science lessons, we have been learning about the functions of the different types of teeth and how the teeth that an animal has will vary, according to its diet. We really enjoyed completing our animations about the Commonwealth Games. We used 'Stop Motion' on our iPads and were delighted with the results.

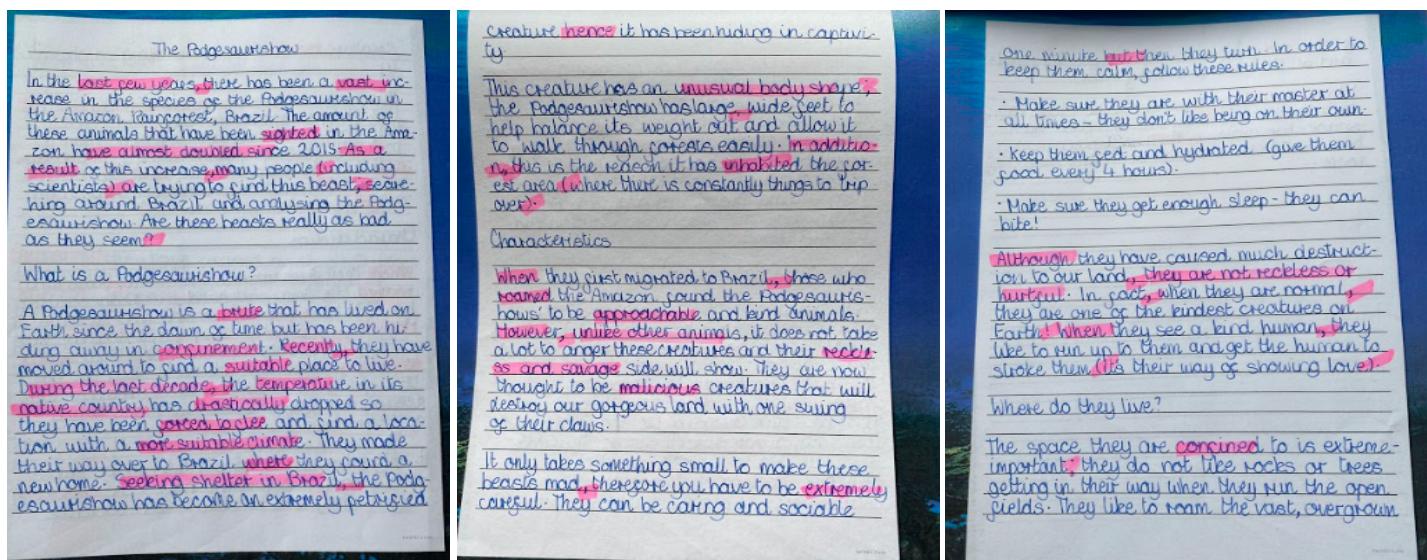


In Year 5, we have been translating and reflecting shapes in maths. It has been no easy feat but we have made substantial progress and can now reflect into all four quadrants. We have written some very interesting adventures about a boy who is mistaken for an adult - think unaccompanied Disney holidays and unqualified pilots! We have also moved on to our next Whole Class Reading text, The Fastest Boy in the World by Elizabeth Laird and have started to explore its context in Ethiopia. Well done on all of your work in the penultimate half term of year 5! Have a wonderful break and I will see you in June for a great last seven weeks of year 5!

In Year 6, we have been writing a 'Non-Chronological Report' about a mythical creature that the children have created and designed themselves. They have all really enjoyed doing these and we have had some fantastic creatures designed - although I wouldn't want to cross most of them!

We have then been exploring the Queen and her life for our Jubilee theme. We have created some brilliant double-page biographies and now have a brilliant understanding of who she is.

The children have also thoroughly enjoyed reading our book 'The Hobbit', with many of them not wanting to put it down! We have been exploring imagery and the way that the author (JRR Tolkien) has used language to create atmosphere and tension. The language that the children have started to use and explore is brilliant and they have definitely been able to create an atmosphere for themselves!



Year 4 Multiplication Guide for Parents

Children in year 4 are taking place in the Multiplication Tables check during the first two weeks back after half term.

By the end of Year 4, all children are expected to know their times tables up to 12×12 . The check is completed on the children's iPads and is very similar to the soundcheck game on TTRS.

For more information click in the link below.

[Information for parents: 2022 multiplication tables check](#)

Vacancies

We currently have the following vacancy in school: [HLTA](#)

Attendance

Whole School Attendance from 16th - 20th May 2022 %

Reception	90.3%
Year 1	92.7%
Year 2	97.0%
Year 3	93.8%
Year 4	92.7%
Year 5	98.7%
Year 6	97.3%



**Well done and congratulations to
Year 5
for receiving the
Attendance Trophy last week!**

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!



Dudley Catering Jubilee Colouring Competition

We would like to say a HUGE thank you to all of the children who entered the colour cupcake competition from Dudley Catering. We had some fantastic designs. The children should be very proud of themselves. We are delighted to announce that Harry Cook won the competition and a voucher prize is on the way!!



Dads and Donuts Day June 2022

On Monday 20th June we will be holding a very special Dads and Donuts celebration, which will include a special performance by your child, and a chance for a cup of tea or coffee and of course... a donut!

Each class will have a half hour time slot. The class timetable is as below:

Class	Time Slot
Nursery	9:15 – 9:40
Reception	9.50 – 10:15
Year 1	10:25 – 10.50
Year 2	11:00 – 11:25
Year 3	11:35 – 12:00
Year 4	13:30 – 13.55
Year 5	14:05 – 14:30
Year 6	14:50 – 15:15

Half Term Holiday Club

Come and join us for some Jubilee Fun from Monday 30th May until Wednesday 1st June 2022. The Club is open from 8.00 am until 5.30 pm.

For more information or to book your place please contact Trudi Fowkes on 07746 592 589 or email afterschool@manor.windsoracademytrust.org.uk

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](#)

Dudley HAF

Free summer holiday family activities, playscheme sessions and food for families whose children are in receipt of free school meals. Sessions taking place across the borough. Families have to register by May 26th. [Register your Child – HAF](#)

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.

DIARY DATES

6 – 8th June	Year 6 Kingswood Residential
8th-12th June	Yr 1 Phonics Screening Week
14th June	New Reception Parents Induction 9.30 – 10.30 am
20th June	Dads & Doughnuts Day
21st June	Parents' Evening
23rd June	Parents' Evening
1st July	KS1 & KS2 Sports Day 9.30 am
1st July	Friends of Manor Way Quiz – TBC
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

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**