

Parents' Newsletter 10

Wednesday 8th February 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

Reading Rocket Challenge

Thank you to all of the parents who are supporting their child with reading at home. We have already handed out lots of certificates to children who have safely arrived at the next planet on their journey around space! Regular reading habits make a huge difference to rates of progress. The teachers have noticed a significant improvement in the progress of children who are now reading regularly at home.



Safer Internet Day

Yesterday we joined lots of other schools in supporting the national Safer Internet Day. Safer Internet Day is a celebration of the safe, responsible and positive use of digital technology for children and young people. The day offered the opportunity for staff at Manor to highlight the positive uses of technology and to explore the role we all play in helping to create a better and safer online community. When I spoke to children across the school, I was very impressed

that they knew not to give personal details to anyone online and that they should ask for help if

Our School Computing Charter
Rules for using the internet at Manor C of E Infant School.

- I must ask permission before using the internet.
- I must only use the internet when an adult is with me.
- When using the internet I will follow the instructions given to me by my teacher.
- I will only use websites that my teacher has given me to view.
- If I see something that upsets me, I will tell an adult straight away.
- I will keep personal information private.

they discovered something unusual on their computer screen.

Please remind your children of the rules on our Computing Charter.

Gifted and Talented Dancers

Today 4 children from Years 1 and 2 took part in a gifted and talented dance workshop at Marchwood Infant School. The children really enjoyed the session and said it was great fun! They particularly enjoyed making up their own dances.



Playtrail Update

I am really pleased to let you know that the children have now all voted for their favourite play trail design and the trail has been ordered. The trail will be built on the field during the Easter holidays, just in time for the summer term.



Student Teachers

This term we welcome three student teachers to our school. These students are carrying out their final teaching practice at Manor. Their names are: Miss Wheldon (Year R), Miss Elkin (Year 1) and Miss Shambrook (Year 2).

Hampshire Picture Book Award

This term children in Red Class will again be joining other Year 1 children across Hampshire in voting for their favourite short story in the Hampshire Library Service Picture Book Award.



Book Week 2017

This year our Book Week will take place during the first week after the Easter holidays. Mrs Munns is busy planning all sorts of events including a visiting author. More details to follow. Your child will be bringing home a £1 Book Token in March which can be exchanged for a free £1 book or used to get £1 off a book or audiotape costing £2.99 or more.



Parent Consultation Meetings

This week the teachers have started to collect appointments for parents evening which will take place next week. If you haven't booked a slot already, please speak to the class teachers on the gates before school to book a preferred slot.

Public Footpaths

As you may be aware there seems to be some issues with people not picking up after their dogs around Teachers Way and Wedgewood Close. If you see anyone who is not following



correct procedures please inform the school office so we can put you in contact with NFDC's dog warden. Thank you.

And finally

The children really enjoyed today's special pantomime 'Beauty and the Beast'. Many thanks to the PTFA for funding this for us. The next PTFA meeting is on Friday 3rd March at 2.30pm. If you are free, please come along.



Best wishes,

Michelle Hale

Diary Dates

Wednesday 15 th February	Parents' Evening 3.30pm-7.30pm
Thursday 16 th February	Praizin' Hands
Thursday 16 th February	Parents' Evening 3.30pm-6pm
Friday 17 th February	INSET Day – School closed
20 th -24 th February	Half Term
Monday 27 th February	Start of Spring term 2
Monday 27 th February	Year 2 SATs presentation in the school hall at 2.30pm
Friday 3 rd March	9.10am Yellow Class Assembly
Friday 17 th March	9.10am Red Class Assembly
Friday 24 th March	Red Nose Day 2017
Friday 31 st March	9.10am Blue Class Assembly
Monday 10 th April – Friday 21 st April	Easter Holidays
Monday 24 th April	First day of the Summer term
Monday 24 th April	Book Week 2017
15 th May – 19 th May	Walk to School Week
Friday 26 th May	INSET Day – School closed
29 th May – 2 nd June	Half term
Monday 5 th June	Start of Summer term 2
Thursday 15 th June	Class photos
Thursday 13 th July	Praizin' Hands
Friday 21 st July	Last day of the Summer term Leavers lunch / assembly
Monday 24 th and Tuesday 25 th July	INSET Days – School closed

PTFA Calendar of Events

Friday 10 th March	Quiz Night
Friday 5 th May	Quiz Night
Saturday 10 th June	Summer Fayre
Friday 16 th June	Quiz Night

Great effort has been taken to ensure that dates are correct at the time of publication; however, they may be subject to change.