



Parents' Newsletter 11

Thursday 16th February 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

Praizin' Hands

Praizin' Hands puppet theatre visited Manor today as part of our PSHE programme. The theme of today's show was self-esteem and focussed on the story of The Ugly Duckling. The key message was to believe in yourself and not give up. Praizin' Hands will return in May.



it is very wet and the children are coming into school with muddy shoes. Thank you.

Year 2 SATs information session

Just a quick reminder that Mrs Munns will be running an information session for Year 2 parents about the SATS (Standard Attainment Tests) on **Monday 27th February** (Monday after half term) at **2.30pm**. This will be an opportunity to have a look through last year's papers and ask Mrs Munns any questions that you may have.

Year 1 and 2 Mapping Adventure



Thank you to all of the parents who joined children in Year 1 and 2 on Tuesday for their Mapping Adventure, we hope that you enjoyed the challenges!

Please note that Year 2 SATS will take place between **Tuesday 2nd and Friday 12th May** at Manor.

Year 1 Phonics Screening

As some of you may be aware, all Year 1 children across the country will take part in the Phonics Screening Checks during the week beginning **12th June**. The check is a short, statutory assessment to ensure that children are making sufficient progress in the phonics skills to read words and are on track to become fluent readers who can enjoy reading for pleasure and for learning. Mrs Welling will be carrying out the checks on a one to one basis with each child. The check will take no longer than ten minutes. The results of the check will be shared with parents at the end of the summer term.



Parent Consultation Evenings

It was wonderful to see so many parents at our consultation evening last night. We hope that you found the meetings a great opportunity to find out how your child / children are progressing at this point in the year. Thank you to HC3S for providing a selection of the foods that they provide for the children at lunchtimes. We hope that you enjoyed the selection. I'm told that there will be more available tonight.



Before School

Please can I remind you that the children should not be climbing on the playtrail before school for Health and Safety reasons. Also, please remind your child to stay off of the grass at this time of year as

Attendance

At Manor we are aiming for 96% attendance across the



school. That means that no child should miss more than **8 days of school across the year.**

Attendance Percentage	Impact on learning Our aim is for all children to enjoy their time at Manor and to achieve their full potential. Consistently high attendance throughout their school life starting from entry to school in Year R will support this aim.
Our target for every child is 100% - 96%	FANTASTIC Best chance to celebrate and sustain success and achieve full learning potential.
95%-91%	GOOD Good chance to celebrate and sustain success and achieve full learning potential.
90% - 85.1%	CONCERN Harder for the child to make or build upon progress.
85% or less	SERIOUS CONCERN Learning and social interactions are being affected by lack of consistent attendance. Pupil is classed as a persistent absentee.

Absence for whatever reason disadvantages a child by creating gaps in his or her learning. Research shows these gaps affect attainment when attendance falls below 95%. As such, we monitor all absence thoroughly and all attendance data is shared with the Local Authority and the Department for Education.

Shrove Tuesday



Just to let you know, on Tuesday 28th February, Sharon, our school cook, will be offering pancakes with syrup and ice-cream as part of our Shrove Tuesday lunch. We will also be holding pancake races during the day.

And finally



Well done to all of the children for working so hard this term. Please support your child with their reading over half term and take every opportunity to play Maths games and practise writing skills. All of the extra support that you provide at home really helps your child to progress well in their learning.

Have a wonderful half term and we look forward to seeing you again on **Monday 27th February** for the start of the next half term.

Best wishes,

Michelle Hale

Headteacher

Diary Dates

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
Monday 6 th March	Year R trip to the New Forest Wildlife Park
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
Tuesday 2 nd May – Friday 12 th May	Year 2 SATs
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
Monday 12 th June	Year 1 Phonics screening and Year 2 resits
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.