



Parents' Newsletter 5

Monday 31st October 2016

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to another very busy and exciting half term at Manor, we hope that you all enjoyed last week with your children.

'Be Bright, Be Seen'

Thank you for sending your child into school on Thursday 20th October in bright clothing. 'Be



Bright, Be Seen Day' was a great success. The children enjoyed learning about the importance of wearing reflective clothing at night time as well as investigating reflective materials in their Science lessons.

Bonfire Night

This week we will be talking to the children about the importance of keeping safe on Bonfire Night. Please help us to reinforce the following key messages at home:



- Keep pets indoors;
- Stand well back from bonfires;
- Never go near a lit firework;
- Never throw fireworks;
- Always wear gloves when handling sparklers.

Attendance

Our target is to achieve 96% or better attendance. If you remember at the end of September our whole school attendance was **97.74%**. At the end of October our whole school attendance since the start of

the year was just below our 96% target at **95.94%**.

Well done to **Red Class** as they had the highest attendance record for October (**94.29%**).

Class	Attendance for October	Attendance from 6 th September to end of October
Blue Class	94.21%	95.51%
Red Class	94.29%	96.85%
Yellow Class	93.89%	94.13%

If you need to request a leave of absence for an exceptional circumstance, please come into the office and collect a request form. Thank you.

Supporting Your Child with Reading



This year our challenge is to encourage all children to read **at least 3 times a week** at home. Many of our children do this already, and because of this regular practice, make better progress. For children in Years 1 and 2, the teachers highlight the reading focus for the week in every child's Reading Record. This could be to discuss the main character or to think what might happen next in the story. In Year R the focus this term is to talk about the pictures in books and to decode words. Please spend some time discussing your child's reading book with them. Even if they are only in the early stages of learning to read they can make simple predictions and discuss the pictures.

Cadland Picnic

On Saturday 22nd October we were again invited to attend an annual picnic on the Cadland Estate. Several years ago to celebrate the 400th anniversary of the Battle of Trafalgar, Mr and Mrs Drummond from the Estate asked children from Manor and Fawley Infants to help them to plant a forest of oak trees. The wood, which now contains 10,000 oak trees, was planted to commemorate one of Admiral Lord Nelson's flag ships, the Temeraire and is known as the Temeraire Wood. Several children and their families attended with Mrs Munns.

Tesco Bags of Help Grant

Please remember that from today you can vote for our school to win a grant of £8,000, £10,000 or £12,000 towards our new playtrail. All members of the community can vote for our school. Please spread the word. **The project with the most votes is allocated the most money!**



Blue Class Notice

We are really impressed at how well our new children in Blue Class have settled into school life. Just a quick reminder that from today, the children will need to be dropped off at the class gate every morning. Thank you.

Children in Need

Don't forget that it's Children in Need day on Friday 19th November. On this day the children can come to school dressed in spotty clothes in exchange for a donation to Children in Need.



Best wishes,

Michelle Hale

Diary Dates

Wednesday 2 nd November	Open Morning
Thursday 3 rd November	British Values Day at Manor
Monday 7 th November	Open Morning
Thursday 17 th November	Open Afternoon
Friday 18 th November	Children in Need – Dress spotty
Monday 21 st November	2pm-3pm Pets Extravaganza – Year 1 and 2
Sunday 27 th November	Sunday's Cool 11.30am-12.30pm
Monday 28 th November	Christmas Crafts Day
Tuesday 6 th December	3Ts Christmas Party
Wednesday 7 th December	2.15pm Christmas Nativity
Thursday 8 th December	9.15am Christmas Nativity – adults only
Saturday 10 th December	Athletics Competition – more details to follow
Tuesday 13 th December	9.10 Christingle Service at All Saints Church, Fawley – Parents welcome, more details to follow
Tuesday 13 th December	Christmas Lunch
Tuesday 13 th December	School Christmas Disco
Wednesday 14 th November	9am Year 1 and 2 Music Concert
Thursday 15 th December	Praizin' Hands - Nativity
Friday 16 th December	Christmas Jumper Day
19 th December – 2 nd January	Christmas Holidays
Tuesday 3 rd January	Start of the Spring term
Thursday 12 th January	Praizin' Hands
Wednesday 8 th February	Pantomime – Beauty and the Beast (funded by the PTFA)
Thursday 16 th February	Praizin' Hands
Friday 17 th February	INSET Day – School closed
20 th -24 th February	Half Term
Monday 27 th February	Start of Spring term 2
Friday 24 th March	Red Nose Day 2017
Monday 10 th April – Friday 21 st April	Easter Holidays
Monday 24 th April	First day of the Summer term
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 11 th November	Quiz Night
Friday 2 nd December	3.30-5.30pm Christmas Fayre
Friday 13 th January	Quiz Night
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.

All dates are available on the school website.