

Manor Farm Infant School March 2024 Newsletter

School Motto

'Together We Grow'



Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you enjoyed attending our Spring assemblies where the children beautifully performed a range of poems and songs. This was a great celebration as we come to the end of a fun and busy Spring term.

We are constantly exploring different ways to enrich our curriculum and bring learning to life as well as developing curious and inquisitive minds. EYFS had a range of visitors to support them with their 'People Who Help Us' topic where they learnt lots of interesting things that ranged from effectively cleaning their teeth to learning the command to make a police dog bark. The most recent excitement has come from watching ducklings hatch and prompting discussions about the life cycle. They have also enjoyed watching them have their first swimming lesson!

Year 1 had a fantastic day at Windsor Castle and impressed the staff with their knowledge that they had learnt as part of their history topic. They also observed that the flag flying from the round tower changed during the day from the Union Jack to the Royal Standard to announce that the King was in residence.

Year 2 enjoyed a highly interactive 'Florence Nightingale' day where they definitely looked the part in their wonderful costumes. They learnt all about different roles that played a part in helping the wounded soldiers with their recoveries such as the cooks, gardeners and nurses. They carried out some very convincing job interviews where Florence Nightingale asked them about the skills they could offer and many jobs were offered!

As well as the above staff have worked hard to celebrate World Book Day and to ensure that all children participated in the sponsored Paralympian sports event. The money raised from this event will be used to purchase new PE and playground equipment.

Thank you to the Friends of Manor Farm Schools who have funded the Year 1 and 2 history days as well as the ducklings for EYFS.

We are looking forward to the Summer term and please do remember to look at our website for curriculum overviews, photographs under 'Events and Celebration Galleries' and dates for the term.

When we return after the holidays work will begin to install a new activity trail. School Council were involved in looking at the designs and voted for their favourite. They have also been responsible for communicating this to their classes and are very excited.

I wish you all a very happy Easter

Janice Woodhead

Dates for your Diaries

Thursday 28th March — End of term 3.15pm

Monday 15th April— Children return to school

Monday 15th April 2.45pm—Year 2 meeting re SATS

Monday 22nd April—Reception Vision Screening

Saturday 27th April—FOMFS Quiz Night

Thursday 2nd May—Willow Class Visit 9.15am

Friday 3rd May—Reception Grandparents visit—1.30pm

Tuesday 7th May—Year 2 Grandparents visit—9am

Tuesday 7th May—Beech Class visit—9.15am

Tuesday 14th May—Class Photos

w/c 27th May—Half Term

Monday 3rd June—Return to School

Wednesday 19th June—Sports Day—9.30am

Wednesday 26th June—Reserve Sports Day—9.30am

Saturday 29th June—FOMFS Summer Fayre

Tuesday 2nd July—Transition Morning

w/c 15th July—Activity Week

Friday 19th July—Year 2 parents only—Leavers

Assembly—9.15am

Friday 19th July—End of Term



Assemblies this term

Our assemblies this term have focussed on developing a Growth Mindset. We have discussed what to do when something is challenging, how it is important to keep trying when something is hard and also the importance of the 'Power of Yet'.

Safety

Please can you ensure that children do not walk in the flower beds outside of EYFS, the wall by the car park and also on the bank by the pirate ship to avoid any potential accidents and protect the plants that we have planted.

Water Bottles

A reminder please that water bottles should contain plain water and not juice.

Holiday Club

We would like to remind you that Holiday Club will be open for the Easter Holidays. Bookings are also now being taken for the remainder of this year. Opening dates are as follows:

Tuesday 2nd April—Thursday 4th April inclusive

Tuesday 9th April—Thursday 11th inclusive

Tuesday 28th May—Thursday 30th May inclusive

Tuesday 23rd July—Thursday 29th August inclusive (We are open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of each week.)

Please contact the office if you require any more information or would like to make a booking. If you are trying to book during a school holiday please call the school on 01494 814281 as the office is closed and emails will not be monitored daily.

Changes of Personal Details

Please can we politely remind all parents that it is imperative you keep all your contact details and emergency contacts, up to date with the school office so that we can contact you in case of an emergency. This includes addresses, telephone numbers and email addresses for yourselves and any emergency contacts.





