



Curriculum Newsletter

Year 6 Term 5 2023/24

Welcome to Term 5 everyone! We look forward to a brilliant first summer term with you all. If you have any questions please speak with any member of the Senior Leadership Team in the morning or see your child's teacher at the end of the school day. If you think your conversation will require more time, please arrange a meeting with the teacher via the class email account.

As always, please email the main school account – manorprimary@sgmail.org.uk for any urgent matters or issues relating to attendance, school dinners, FOMS events etc. The class email is not read throughout the day as teachers are teaching and managing the class.

We would also like to remind our families that we are a nut-free school. Some of our children suffer with various allergies and so in order to keep everyone safe, we ask that you do not include food items containing nuts in your child's lunch box or as a break time snack. We would also like to reiterate that we encourage our KS2 children to bring in a **healthy snack** from home to have at break time. **This may include a piece of fruit or a healthy cereal bar.** Other snacks (such as crisps, biscuits and chocolate) are only to be eaten at lunch time if they are brought in at all. We also ask that no sweets, such as Haribo, are brought in at all. Thank you.

We ask that children come to school in their full school uniform. Please refer to our school website for further information on this - <https://www.themanorcofeprimary.org.uk/school-uniform>. Please also note our expectations on P.E kits – we have a supply of spare tops and jogging bottoms to lend to children if they are unable to wear the correct kit to school.

If you have any questions, please do get in touch.

English and Maths

This term, we will be spending the first few weeks preparing for SATs. We will be revisiting previous learning from our first four terms of Year 6 as well as learning from Year 5, polishing up on skills and strategies and moving the learning on. We will celebrate the end of SATs with a pizza lunch in Forest School.

Our English lessons and writing will focus on the book 'Shackleton's Journey'.

We kindly ask that you read with your children at least 5 times a week. We ensure an adult reads with your child as often as possible in school but it is crucial that your child practises at home as well to develop their fluency, intonation and comprehension. We ask that you continue to maintain a reading record for use at home and we will be sending home notes to you to keep you informed of your child's reading progress.

Topic Subjects




Our Foundation Subject Topic this term is 'Space'. It's an exciting scientific topic where we will be learning all about The Solar System.

Please find below some of the key facts that your child will learn. We will use these facts in our quick recall quizzes and we will be referring back to them over the term. Ask your child about these questions at home to help them remember the knowledge!

- All planets orbit the sun and the moon orbits the Earth
- The Sun, Earth and moon are approximately spherical
- Day and night are created by the rotation of the Earth on its axis
- The understanding of the solar system has developed from a geocentric to a heliocentric model.



Your child will be taking part in P.E on **Monday and Tuesday**. We ask that children come to school dressed in their P.E kits on the days that they have P.E. We would like to remind our families that this involves wearing a gold P.E top and black shorts or black jogging bottoms and white/black trainers/daps. Usual school sweatshirt/ cardigan can be worn with this – no other sweatshirts to be worn please.

 <p style="text-align: center;">Spelling</p> 	<h3 style="text-align: center;">Home learning Expectations</h3> <p>Home Reading – We kindly ask that your child reads at least 5 times a week at home. Please prioritise this as this is proven to be the most impactful for children and their learning in school.</p> <p>Maths –Times Table Rock Stars practise (Years 2 to 6) – a total of at least 20 minutes on ‘Garage mode’.</p> <p>Spellings – Please practise the weekly spellings at home to support the learning in school (Years 1-6) - around 15 minutes in total.</p> <p style="background-color: yellow;">Please ensure you record evidence of your home learning in your home learning books so that you receive your ‘Home Learning Hero’ time!</p>
	<p>Please ensure your child has a bottle of water at school every day.</p> <p>Also please make sure that their belongings including school uniform, PE kit, book bags, lunch boxes and water bottles are all clearly labelled with your child’s name and class.</p> <p>Un-named uniform will be taken to the main entrance and put into lost property to be collected.</p> <p>We ask children not to bring toys or items from home into school unless invited to do so by their class teacher.</p>

Year 6 Term 5 Key dates:

Monday 22nd April – Open classroom at end of day (from 2.45pm until 3.15pm)

Tuesday 30th April – Class photos

Friday 3rd May – INSET (school closed for all children)

Monday 6th May – Bank Holiday (School closed for all children)

Monday 13th May – 16th May – Year 6 SATs

Monday 13th May – Friday 17th May – Travelling Book Fair

Friday 24th May – End of term.