



# The Manor CE Primary School

**Aspire, Believe, Achieve**

## Newsletter 4

1<sup>st</sup> October 2021

### Dates for the Diary

- 8 October – 10.00 Harvest Festival in Church
- 12 October - Individual school photos
- 13 October – FOMS AGM
- 13 October – Y1 & Y2 Trip to Berkeley
- 19 October – Parent Consultations
- 20 October – Parent Consultations
- 22 October - Term 1 ends
- 1 November – Inset Day 2 (school closed)
- 2 November - Term 2 starts
- 2 November - Flu immunisations
- 12 November - Y6 Lifeskills visit
- 18 November – Y3 & Y4 Trip to Bristol Museum
- 8 December – Y6 weighing & measuring
- 9 December – KS1 Christmas Production
- 10 December – Christmas Jumper Day
- 14 December – whole school to Pantomime at Hippodrome
- 17 December – Term 2 ends
- 4 January Inset Day 3 (school closed)
- 5 January Term 3 starts

### INSET Days this academic year

- Thursday 2 September 2021
- Monday 1 November 2021
- Tuesday 4 January 2022
- Friday 29 April 2022
- Monday 4 July 2022

It has been fantastic to see so many exciting and interesting things taking place across the school. Our new reception children have coped brilliantly with their first full-time week in school and have settled so well into the routine of school-life. Year1-6 will be taking part in our Harvest festival in church on Friday at 10.00am. We do hope you will be able to join us for this – each class will be performing a Harvest related 'performance'. If you are able to help walk the children down to church please come to the school main reception by 9.40am on Friday and join your child's class as we walk down to church.

As always, if need you any help, support or have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Have a fabulous weekend.

Mrs Flanagan

### Sickness

Gentle reminder if your child suffers a sickness or diarrhoea bug, they must stay off school for 48 hours from the last episode of sickness or diarrhoea. Thank you.

### Quick messages

No Dogs on the school premises please.

Please make sure all school uniform is labelled – (it's worth checking labelling hasn't washed out.) We already have a huge pile of unnamed lost property collected in just the last four weeks.

FOMS AGM will be on the 13th October at 6pm in school - please come along if you can!

### Parking

If you drive to school to drop off or collect your child off then please park responsibly and don't block the pavements (or residents drives). We are having very regular complaints from local residents about inconsiderate parking – please park safely and considerately.

When should my child self-isolate or miss school?



NO

- All children **MUST** attend school unless they are ill or have tested positive for Covid.
- From 16<sup>th</sup> August 2021, children under 18 (or double-vaccinated adults) do not need to self-isolate or miss school if a member of their household or a contact, has Covid.
- Instead, they will need to book a PCR test but can continue coming to school so long as they have no symptoms whilst they await the result of the test.



YES

- If your child develops Covid symptoms at home, they should stay at home and should book a PCR test), **NOT** a Lateral Flow test.
- If your child develops Covid symptoms at school, they will be sent home and you should book them a PCR test.
- **If your child tests positive for Covid, they will need to self-isolate. The rest of the household does not need to self-isolate if they are under 18 or fully vaccinated – but instead should book a PCR test.**

### Lunchbreak Supervisor vacancy

If you are interested in applying for this rewarding post please contact the school office.

### Harvest Collection

We are collecting for The Community of the Sisters of the Church again this year. Please bring in any of the following from Monday next week ready for Harvest festival on Friday ( please drop off in the main school reception or children can take them to their class):

Items we will need are:

**Tins:** meat, fish, vegetables, soups, baked beans, spaghetti hoops, custard, rice pudding, and fruit.

**Ambient:** rice, pasta, tea bags, cereals, coffee, biscuits, and UHT milk.

**The Extras:** pot noodles, crisps, snack bars.

**Toiletries:** ALL toiletries, sets or individual, are welcome and are given out.

### Antarctica Class

We have been exploring 'My Big Book of Families' by Mary Hoffman and Ros Asquith this week. We have talked about the different types of families that we have and have been developing our speaking skills by explaining who is in our family and who is special to us. We have also been talking about the kind of homes we live in and who lives with us. It has been a great week of 'sharing and celebrating' the similarities and differences between each other and this seems to have brought the children together even more. The children have been playing some great games and whilst this may appear as 'play', we have observed some wonderful use of language, turn-taking, sharing and creative role-play.



### Australia Class

Well done Year 1! Another amazing week in Australia class! We filled our gem pot AGAIN this week and enjoyed lovely hot chocolate as a treat! We have been learning about Tudor houses and creating our own - it was a messy job but it was very fun! Thank you to everyone who has offered to help at our trip to Berkeley Castle in a few weeks' time. Unfortunately, we have a limited number of spaces for helpers but are grateful for your offers. Please can everyone ensure that all children are bringing a coat, water bottle and their reading records every day. This enables Mrs Foxall-Giess and myself to catch readers throughout the week. We will continue to sticker count readers on a Thursday so please ensure that you are reading 5 times at home each week. From next week, I will be sending a bag home with a child for them to bring in one thing for show and tell. This can be something special for them. Inside, will also be a teddy and a book. Please use the book for your child to tell me (through their lovely writing) what you have done with the teddy or what is special about the item they are bringing in. I will pop a letter at the front of the book explaining more next week. Thank you for your continuous support, if you ever need anything or have any questions please contact me at [Australiaclass@gmail.org.uk](mailto:Australiaclass@gmail.org.uk)



### Africa Class

This week in Year 2, we have begun a new story in English called 'Little Red Reading Hood' and have even started planning our own independent write-up of this story. In Maths, we are working on our addition skills, and have been successful in adding two 2-digit numbers together. In Topic, we have been looking at what life would have been like for the Tudor poor. We learnt about their typical jobs, houses and clothes. We even made our own Tudor houses using real straw for the thatched roof!



### South America Class

The Year 6s are really in full flow now and taking their roles and responsibilities very seriously. They were impressive with their warm welcome, extensive knowledge of the school and their boundless enthusiasm on Wednesday, when they gave a guided tour of our school to some important visitors who were looking around our school during our new Reception Open Morning.

In English, we have completed our Non-Fiction recount this week and described how it felt to be a Jewish refugee in a village, how the local village people showed prejudice and how the refugee rose above the ignorance and prejudice. We ended our recount by ending with a hopeful quote in Latin, which focussed on a positive look to the future. In Topic, we have looked at key dates and the end of World War II, looking in detail at a poem before writing our own celebratory poem. In Maths, we have been multiplying large numbers, up to and including 4 digits, by 1 and 2 digit numbers and practised our KIRFs so we can recite them quickly.

### North America Class

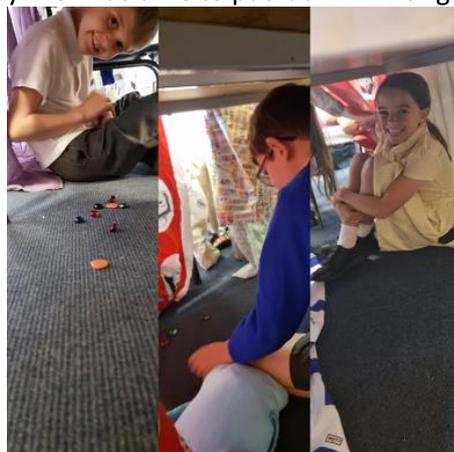
Another fabulous week in Year 5! As we have been developing our successful learner skills so brilliantly we managed to fill up our gem jar on Wednesday.

We enjoyed a collaborative PSHE session this week which encouraged us to think about what is in place in school to help and guide us and liked working together using our Amethyst Power. This week, we also completed our writing linked to Rose Blanche and have enjoyed learning more about World War Two and considering the emotions that the British people would have felt on VE day. This led to some great poetry exploring these feelings. We are also loving our Spanish learning and have built up our vocabulary of colours, numbers and foods.



### Asia Class

This week, Year 4 have been using their wildest imagination. We recently started our first independent write in English and used an experience day to build our very own Genie lamps! This enabled us to think about the setting description, magical objects as well as sympathise with the Genie - magic lamps are not very big! We were given instructions to not make our 'dens' any bigger than one class table; it had to be dark and contain something magical (there were gems, vines and fires all made out of things found in the classroom). It was so much fun and we generated some creative vocabulary. Now it's time to put it all in writing!



### **Europe Class**

In Europe class this week, we have been finding out about Harvest in Europe. We have also designed some harvest artwork after learning about the famous potter Clarice Cliff. In English we have completed our Star in the Jar unit. We have enjoyed writing about the star and learning about stars and space too and can't wait to start the next unit. In Maths we are focussing on multiplication. We have been recapping our prior knowledge about multiplication and will start next week by partitioning numbers to multiply them.



## Community Engagement Forums



**Come to an open virtual meeting for residents to discuss and address neighbourhood matters and help build a stronger community**

Your community engagement forum (CEF) meeting is your opportunity to engage with:

- Your local Police Beat team
- Avon Fire and Rescue service
- South Gloucestershire Councillors
- Town and Parish Councils

You can also find out what is happening in your local area and receive Public Health updates.

 **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2021**  **7pm**

 **Frome Valley**

 **Promoting Positive Mental Health**

To get involved with your local CEF please email:

[communityengagement@southglos.gov.uk](mailto:communityengagement@southglos.gov.uk)

 [www.southglos.gov.uk/CEF](http://www.southglos.gov.uk/CEF)  01454 868113

 [communityengagement@southglos.gov.uk](mailto:communityengagement@southglos.gov.uk)

**Your voice counts in shaping your community**

