



# **The Manor CE Primary School**

**Aspire, Believe, Achieve**

## **Newsletter 1**

10<sup>th</sup> September 2021

### **Dates for the Diary**

- 12 October - Individual school photos
- 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
- 10 December - Incarnation Day
- 14 December – whole school to Pantomime at Hippodrome
- 17 December – Term 2 ends

### **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 fabulous to see the children so settled and back in the routine of school life. As you know, in line with the latest government guidelines, we currently have a normal (pre-Covid-19) way of life in school. It has been wonderful to once again be able to greet all the children through one entrance and seeing the children mixing and playing together at break and lunch times has been really special. As you know, we have sent out letters with Covid updates for you and we will continue to review and update our Covid Contingency Plan regularly. The situation in school, along with the local and national picture, will continue to be monitored closely and we will update you with any changes that need to be made in school in light of this. The staff team will continue to test themselves twice weekly and the majority of staff are now double-vaccinated. The local authority strongly encourages communities to use the home testing kits regularly (twice a week) and seek the vaccination where eligible. We do hope that we can continue these new 'normal' arrangements without any changes, but please be assured any changes to routines in school that are needed to ensure we keep our whole school community as safe as possible will be made promptly, in line with our contingency plan and following all local and national guidance.

As you know, we have shared our recent Ofsted report findings with you earlier this week – thank you so much for the lovely comments that have been said to many staff and sent to us regarding this – they really are appreciated. We really were delighted with the inspector's findings and we are so pleased the inspector saw first-hand why we are so proud of our school and why children at The Manor are able to "Shine like stars in the sky".

I really am looking forward to an amazing year ahead.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Flanagan

### **Do you have a child starting Reception in 2022?**

We are holding open mornings for prospective new parents for children starting reception in September 2022 on

Wednesday 29 September 9.30

Thursday 14 October 9.30

Thursday 25 November 9.30

No need to book - any questions please contact the school office on 014540866555 or email

[ManorPrimary@sgmail.org.uk](mailto:ManorPrimary@sgmail.org.uk)

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.



### Attendance

As a school we set high targets for our children's attendance as we know that regular consistent attendance makes a huge difference to learning:

If children are not in school they miss key parts of their learning.

Our current target for **all** children is **97%** - thank you for supporting us with this.

### Reminders

- Our school gates are open at 8:40am, where a member of staff will welcome pupils into school. Gates close at 8:50am (if you arrive after this time you will need to enter through the main school entrance).
- If a child is unwell, a telephone call message should be left on 01454 866555 before 9am on the first day of absence stating the reason the child can-not attend.
- We operate an everyday call system and if a reason for absence has not been communicated to the school office by 9:30 a.m. a call/text to the parent or carer will be made. Every day calling is an effective measure that helps ensure children are safe.
- We are unable to authorise any holiday in term time.

### NEW STAFF

We are delighted to welcome Mrs L Claridge, who will working in our Year 6 class providing 1-1 support; Mrs H Clifford who is working in our Year 5 class providing 1-1 support and Miss Kirsty Brocklebank who has joined our team of lunch break supervisors and is also working in our after-school club. We hope they all really enjoy their time working with us at The Manor.

### NAME LABELS

Please do ensure that you have labelled all of your children's jumpers, shirts etc. It is very important that this is done as it is very difficult to return any lost property that is not labelled. Thank you

### AUSTRALIA CLASS

Wow! What a great first week in Year 1. I am so proud of our little learners. We have had a brilliant week - the children have been showing me all of their writing, reading, and counting skills throughout the week and I am so impressed by how amazing they all are. We started this week with the children drawing fantastic Henry VIII portraits and learning all about him and his reign. Next week, we are looking at Henry VIII's relationship with the church. Please can all children bring a book bag or backpack in daily so that they can carry things home easily. I will be reading with

children and checking reading records on Thursdays so please ensure your child has their books and reading record on this day so that I can see them all. I cannot wait for another fantastic week next week 😊

#### ANTARTICA CLASS

Antarctica Class have welcomed their new Reception pupils this week and the teachers have been so impressed with the way the children have settled into school life so quickly. They have made new friends, learnt new routines and rules and have discovered all the different areas of the classroom and outdoor learning environment. We have seen them share, help others and generally be really kind to each other. We are so excited about the year ahead of them.

#### EUROPE CLASS

Year 3 have had a wonderful week! They enjoyed their Bang Day on Wednesday, finding out about the Ancient Egyptians as part of their topic this term. Their costumes were amazing! They have also been busy working on place value in maths, using manipulatives and resources to support their understanding of hundreds, tens and ones. In English, we have been sentence stacking using the text Star in the Jar. We kicked off the week by exploring what stars are and all of the children have been working incredibly hard on their writing. Well done Europe class – we are very proud of you all.

#### SOUTH AMERICA

What a week Year 6 have had! I am so proud of how they have tackled their learning but also shown what a good role model should be. We have begun our topic 'We'll Meet Again' and found out about the events leading up to WW1. In maths, we have looked at numbers up to 10,000,000 and consolidated our knowledge of decimals. A great start to the year!

#### ASIA CLASS

Y4 have settled in so well to the new school year! We have already shown what amazing writers we can be by immersing ourselves into our Aladdin writing unit. We thoroughly enjoyed our Egyptian BANG! day (some truly amazing costumes were worn) and are excited to see the results of our apple mummification experiment. We will keep you posted on that too...

#### NORTH AMERICA CLASS

What a fabulous first week we have had in Year 5! Everyone has come into school with a fantastic attitude and a huge smile. We all enjoyed our first swimming session and beginning to learn about World War Two in our topic - We'll meet again. We have talked lots about books and the joy (and importance) of reading and have already started recommending books to one another. Well done North America Class.

#### AFRICA CLASS

We have had a great start to Term 1 in Year 2! We have begun our exciting writing all about a terrifying dragon in English and have come up with some interesting adjectives to describe him. Our topic learning has been fascinating as we have started learning about Henry VIII and the tale of each of his wives. We have particularly enjoyed learning the Horrible Histories song 'The Wives of Henry VIII: Divorced Beheaded and Died Song'.

# Frampton Cotterell and Coalpit Heath Village Diary Sept 2021

- Sat 11th - Mind Body & Spirit Show, The Miners, 11am-5pm.** Free entry.
- Tue 14th - Mothers Union, St Saviours 2pm.** A variety of speakers. Tel. Mary Head 887870  
[mary.head@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:mary.head@blueyonder.co.uk)
- Wed 15th - Barn Sessions: Leonie Evans & Adam Beattie, 7.30pm.** Jazz/blues/folk. £10.  
Bar from 7pm. Music starts 7.30pm. Tickets via [www.winterbournebarn.org.uk](http://www.winterbournebarn.org.uk)
- Wed 15th - FC & District Local History Society, 7.30pm.** Non-members £4. Annual membership £15. Contact: [secretary\\_fcdlhs@yahoo.com](mailto:secretary_fcdlhs@yahoo.com)
- Thu 16th - Wellbeing Friends, WADCA 1.30 - 3.30pm. £3.** A group for people with dementia and their carers. Activities, a cuppa, cake and chat. Info Edna 07789 662694
- Fri 17th - Bingo, Crossbow, 8pm.** £1 for 5 games and 50p for snowball. Tel. 772947
- Sat 18th - Share & Repair cafe, All Saints hall Winterbourne Down, 10am - 12.00.**  
Frome Valley Environmental Group will try to repair whatever you bring!
- Sat 18th - Heritage Open Days (Edible England), Winterbourne Medieval Barn, 10am-5pm**  
Free entry. Activities for all ages. See website [www.winterbournebarn.org.uk](http://www.winterbournebarn.org.uk)
- Sat 18th - City Limits, British Legion Club, 8.30pm. Bingo at 8pm.** Music & dancing. Entry £5. New visitors welcome. Tel. 01454 772769. RBL Membership £18 pa.
- Sun 19th - Heritage Open Days (Edible England), Winterbourne Medieval Barn, 10am to 5pm.** Free entry. Activities for all ages. Website [www.winterbournebarn.org.uk](http://www.winterbournebarn.org.uk)
- Sun 19th - Heritage Open Day, Ram Hill Colliery, 10.30am - 4pm.** See facebook.
- Tue 21st - A Brief History of Music, Winterbourne Medieval Barn, 7.30pm. Medieval to 20th Century in 90 mins!** Tickets £13/£10 online [www.winterbournebarn.org.uk](http://www.winterbournebarn.org.uk)
- Sun 26th - Watermore 10K.** [www.watermore10k.co.uk](http://www.watermore10k.co.uk)
- Sun 26th - Happy's Circus, FCCE school, shows 1.30 & 3.30pm, £8/£6 booking required.**  
<https://www.wegottickets.com/event/518074#>
- Tue 28th - Talk : Archival Archaeology, Winterbourne Medieval Barn, 7pm. £5**  
Resurrecting the monastery of St.Katharinen from laser scans, Lidar data, and old documents. Also livestream on Zoom. Booking [www.winterbournebarn.org.uk](http://www.winterbournebarn.org.uk)
- Tue 28th - Frampton WI, St Peters Hall 7.45pm.** Michelle Armitage from Light & Frank Interiors . See [facebook.com/FramptonCottWI](https://www.facebook.com/FramptonCottWI)
- Wed 29th - Litter Busters, 10am - 12.00** If you would like to get involved please email Village Action at [framcottva@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:framcottva@hotmail.co.uk)

## OCTOBER

- Fri 1st - Quiz, Crossbow, 8pm. £1.50 ppn.** Tel. 772947 [crossbowhouse@gmail.com](mailto:crossbowhouse@gmail.com)
- Sat 2nd - Table Top Sale, The Miners, 1 - 5pm.** To book a table (£5) tel. 07920 145352  
[www.cphvh.co.uk](http://www.cphvh.co.uk) and facebook. email : [coalpitheathvh@gmail.com](mailto:coalpitheathvh@gmail.com)
- Tue 5th - Climate Panel Discussion, Winterbourne Medieval Barn, 7pm. Free.**  
Dr Fogg-Rogers and Rev Sue Parfitt ask *Why should we take climate action now?*
- Wed 6th - Wellbeing Friends, WADCA 1.30 - 3.30pm. £3.** A group for people with dementia and their carers. Varied activities, a cuppa, cake and chat. Info Edna 07789 662694
- Wed 6th - SGMRG talk, The Miners 7.30 for 8pm.** 60 Years of the Bristol Coalfield 1961-2021 - a Talk by David Hardwick. Non-members £2. More info Tel. 883607

See Village Action website for dates for the full year - [www.villageaction.org.uk](http://www.villageaction.org.uk)  
If you have dates to add to the Diary, please email [Louisemharrison@gmail.com](mailto:Louisemharrison@gmail.com)