



The Manor CE Primary School

Aspire, Believe, Achieve

Newsletter 21

18th June 2021

Dates for the Diary

23rd June – Additional Transition day for Y6 to WIA

2nd July – Y6 Transition Day WIA

5th July – Inset day (school closed)

6th & 7th July – Y6 Production

8th & 9th July - Y6 Transition Day Brimsham Green

12th July – Spirituality Day 3 & Reports sent home

21st July – Term 6 ends

2nd Sept - Term starts. Inset day, school closed

3rd Sept – Term 1 starts for children

Following the government's update earlier this week regarding a 4-week pause at Step 3 of Covid restrictions, we are really disappointed to let you know that we are unable to invite parents to watch the planned sports days. Children will still take part in sports days, but this will be in their bubbles and not necessarily on the day of the originally planned sports day. We are all disappointed in this, but as a school community we have done a fabulous job in staying safe and are one of the very few schools nationally who have had only one bubble closure since September, so it's really important we all continue to keep doing everything we are doing to keep everyone safe. We will ensure the children have a great time when their bubble take part in their sports day.

Have a great week,

Mrs Flanagan

Antarctica Class



Our Reception pupils have had a brilliant week showing us that they can learn independently and write on their own. We have been amazed with the quality of handwriting and their overall ability to focus. We have also been impressed with the close friendships that have been formed this year with our Reception pupils. They are so caring and supportive both in their play and in their learning and we just wanted to celebrate this. Hopefully they have now made friendships for life.

Australia Class

We have been thoroughly immersed in our topic 'What makes Bristol brilliant?' this week in Year 1. We started the week with our Bang Day where we learnt more about John Cabot and what his biggest mistake as a navigator was. We have also been looking at maps, what they are used for and how we use them. We can't wait to find out what our topic learning has in store for us next week. In Forest School, we went pond dipping and found all sorts of pond creatures lurking in there! In English, we are continuing to write our John Cabot biography and in maths we have been further exploring place value using a 100 square and finding missing numbers.

Africa Class

This week in Year 2, we have been busy learning all about John Cabot's voyage to Newfoundland. Our 'Bang Day' on Monday focused on this and we completed lots of fun activities to help us with our learning, including collaging a picture of The Matthew! In English, we have been using our knowledge about John Cabot to create a postcard from his perspective once he arrived in North America. In maths, we have been continuing our learning all about money, focusing on being able to recognise that different coins and notes can often make the same amount.

Europe Class

Wow! We've enjoyed another fantastic week where we have started to look at the history of aviation. We have focused on aircraft built in Filton in the early 20th century such as the Bristol Box Kite and the Bristol Blenheim. All children have produced some fantastic comparative writing pieces based on this. We have also started to look at aviation badges worn by the RAF in preparation for our DT sewing project in a few weeks' time. Next week, PE will be on Thursday and Friday for ONE WEEK ONLY. All home learning has now been handed out so can you please ensure that your child is practicing their KIRFs and spellings. Best practice is little and often to make sure they are retaining the information. Well done for an amazing week Year 3! I am so proud of you!

Asia Class

This week, Asia class have fully immersed themselves into our 'What makes Bristol brilliant?' topic. They have spent time researching aviation technology used in the war and comparing the aircrafts (they seem to love the Bristol Blenheim!) It has been so lovely hearing stories of their grandparents who have worked on Concorde or even fought in the war. There really is a real soar of excitement for this topic (I have even had extra home learning and independent research projects brought in!) and I cannot wait to explore it further with them as we start our DT project of sewing Aviation Badges!

North America Class



Year 5 have had another fun-packed week! We have begun writing our diary from the viewpoint of a passenger from HMT Empire Windrush. In Maths, we have been adding and subtracting fractions, starting with fractions with the same denominator and moving on to finding the common denominator before calculating the final answer. For our topic 'What makes Bristol brilliant?' we focused on map reading skills and took our learning into Forest School. It was a beautiful day and we all enjoyed taking our learning outside.

South America Class

Another great week in Year 6. As part of our 'What makes Bristol Brilliant?' topic, we have been looking at where Bristolians come from and have begun to learn about The Windrush Generation and their experiences. In English, we have started to look at newspaper reports in preparation for writing our own about The Empire Windrush docking in Tilbury Docks.



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.**

Road Safety



A concerned parent has been in touch to let us know that there are a number of parents and children not using the lollipop lady in the morning on arrival to school. A number of families cross on the corner of the pub, opposite the lane that runs behind the school, squeezing between parked cars. The concerned parent has witnessed a couple of near misses especially when cars turn off of Roundways, past the pub. Please do use Mrs Greaves, our fabulous lollipop lady to ensure everyone's safety.

Want to help keep children safe in a fun, flexible, term-time role? Become a volunteer Child Safety Tour Guide



Volunteer Taster Hours

Tuesday
13th July 10:30am
and
Thursday
15th July 13:30pm

We teach primary school children how to stay safe in their every day lives, by taking them on a tour around our unique, interactive safety education centre.

In a realistic village setting, Year 6 children experience lots of common hazards and surprises, and are taught how to handle those situations in a safe, fun environment.

Visit us in July, for an hour-long 'Introduction to Lifeskills and Tour' to see how you could help us protect even more children and save lives. *

To book your place on a Taster Hour, contact Sam
e: sam@lifeskills-bristol.org.uk
t: 07860 832 768



*Start dates from September 2021 onwards

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A lovely group of people running such an amazing service!"
Lily Sargent, Volunteer