NEWSLETTER

MANORSIDE ACADEMY

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Dear Parents and Carers

As we reach the end of this half term, I want to take a moment to reflect on what a positive and purposeful few weeks it has been in school. Our children have shown such enthusiasm for their learning, resilience in the face of new challenges, and, as always, kindness towards one another.

I would like to thank you all for your continued support—whether through attending school events, encouraging learning at home, or simply encouraging your child to attend school every day. Partnerships with families are at the heart of everything we do, and your engagement makes a genuine difference.

As we head into the break, I hope you are able to enjoy some well-deserved rest, time together, and a chance to recharge. We look forward to welcoming everyone back after half term, refreshed and ready for an exciting new chapter in the term ahead.

Best wishes Miss Sutter

Nursery

We are excited to announce that after the February half-term, we will be starting our weekly nature walks! Each week, we will take a small group of children to Bourne Valley Nature Reserve to explore the environment and participate in a planned activity.

Weekly Activities:

- Week 1: Leaf and stick collecting
- Week 2: Bug hunting
- Week 3: Scavenger hunt
- Week 4: Tree rubbings
- Week 5: Nature crowns
- Week 6: Den building

Each activity and the surrounding area will be fully risk-assessed to ensure the children's safety. To give all children the chance to participate, we will be going on different days each week.

What Your Child Will Need:

- A coat suitable for the weather
- A pair of Named wellies (to be kept on site, if possible)

Best wishes Nursery Team

Midday Supervisor Vacancy

We are looking to appoint an MDSA. Further details about the role can be found using the following link

https://mynewterm.com/jobs/141745/EDV-2026-MA-38469

Nuts

Please be advised that we are a nut free school as we have some pupils who have nut allergies. If we do notice any food items that contain nuts we will keep them to one side so that the pupil can take the item back home at the end of the day.

Arbor

If you have not yet set up your Arbor account please do so by following the instructions that would have been sent to you via email.

Please can you check that all your contact details are up to date eg emails, addresses, phone numbers etc. You can amend any changes yourself.

ROUTINE REMINDERS

Dawn and Dusk

Bookings are to be made on **Parent Pay by 2:00pm for Dusk and by 2:00pm for Dawn the following day**. The end of the Dusk is now 6:00pm.

Please ensure that when you've booked your child into Dawn, you bring them to the office and wait with them until a member of staff has signed them in. Thank you for your cooperation!

Lunches

Please place your orders via **Parent Pay** by **Midnight on Tuesday** for meals the following week.

Communication

Please remember to add your child's full name and class when emailing/leaving phone messages.

Items from home

Please note children are not to bring in toys, football cards, notebooks etc from home, unless agreed with SLT

Uniform Reminders

- Black shoes should be worn when wearing normal school uniform. Black trainers should only be worn with PE kits. Please write a note to the class teacher if trainers need to be worn due to an injury or broken shoes.
- Earrings must be of the plain stud variety and only gold or silver in colour. Earrings should not be worn on a PE day (or are taped up independently by the pupil).
- Hair bows should be in keeping with the school colours and sensible in size (so they don't block the view of a child sitting behind them in class!).
- No other jewellery should be worn including clay beads and other accessories.
- We would also like to remind parents that acrylic nails are not to be worn at school as they are not part of our uniform policy.

Free School Meals (FSM)

Parents who think they may be eligible are able to apply via the BCP website https://www.bcpcouncil.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/support-with-education/free-school-meals or collect a form from the school office. If you are eligible, your son or daughter will be entitled to a free daily hot meal plus priority access to additional intervention groups if required. If you have any questions about applying for FSM, please contact the school office. Free school meals are available to pupils based on the following benefits:

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guarantee element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for four weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

School Values

Over the next half term, we will be holding a series of Value Weeks, where each of our school values will be highlighted and explored in greater depth. Throughout these weeks, children will have dedicated opportunities to develop their understanding of each value, discuss what it means, and reflect on how it can be demonstrated both in school and in their wider lives. Through assemblies, class discussions and activities, we aim to encourage pupils to recognise how these values shape their choices, relationships and contributions to the community.

Online Safety

Many parents and young people in Bournemouth West have contacted Jessica about children's relationships with mobile phones and social media. The Government has now launched a national conversation on how best to keep children safe online, and Jessica wants to ensure that the voices of local families, schools, and young people are heard.

To support this, she is hosting a series of local in-person and online events to gather views and experiences. These will feed directly into the Government's work on online safety, screen time guidance, and mobile phone use in schools.

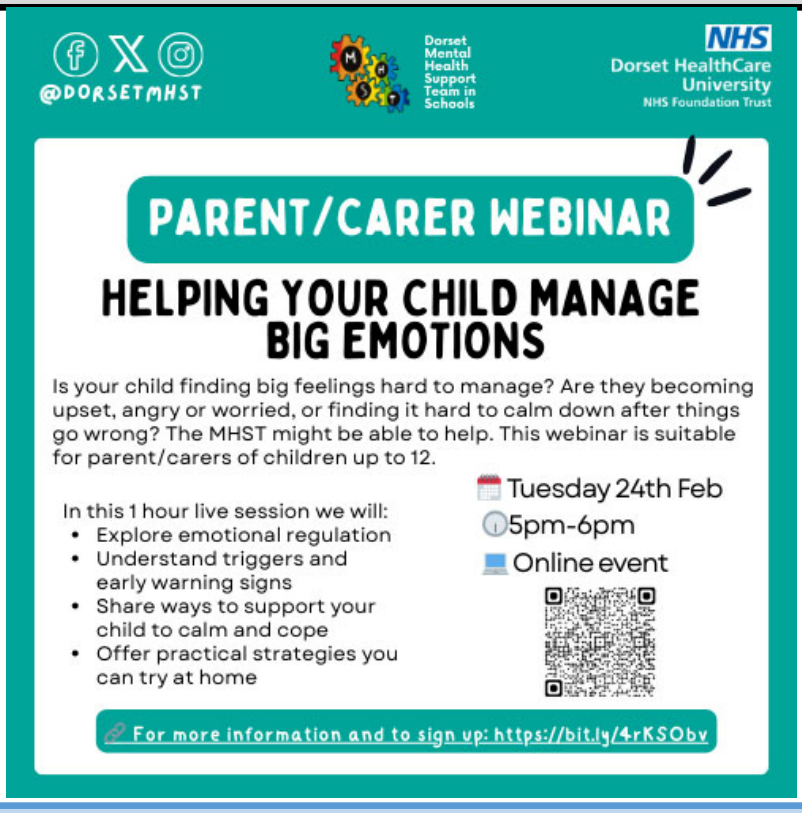
A dedicated session for students:

On **19 February, 12:00–13:00,** Jessica will hold an online, **under-19s-only session.** This falls during half term, so students can join easily from home. She is especially keen to hear directly from young people about their experiences and what they feel would make the online world safer and healthier.

Other upcoming sessions:

- **13 February, 10:30–12:00 – Redhill (in person)**
- **20 February, 17:30–19:00 – Winton (in person)**
- **24 February, 17:30–18:30 – Online (open to all)**

To receive full venue details or meeting links, please register here**:** **www.jessicatoale.com/social-media**



World Book Day

Following on from the World Book Day letter that we asking for a **£1 contribution for dressing up on 5th March.**

The chocolate 'Sutter bars' being sold on the playground after school by the PTFA will start at £2 each. These are not compulsory to buy so please do not feel that this is an extra cost to the day.

All of the money raised goes straight into the school.

PTFA Uniform Sale

- **Coats—£2.00**
- **Branded Jumpers and Joggers—£1.00**
- **Everything else—shoes, shirts, trousers and skirts—50p**

Class Attendance for the previous 2 weeks

The school expectation is 96%

RG	RK	1S	1W	2O	2W	3B	3T
94.4	93.1	92.27	96.3	95.79	97.6	97.12	94.63
93.7	91.95	95.65	95.77	88.12	96.43	94.65	90.12
4M	**4P**	**5CF**	**5H**	**6E**	**6G**		**PRB**
95.73	95.44	96.83	93.8	98.81	96.62		76.67
98.28	94.65	98.41	98.77	96.03	95.17		88.89

High Achievers for the previous 2 weeks

RG	RK	1S	1W	2O	2W	3B	3T
AZARIA	ALYSSA	JOESPH	LEO	EMILLIA	JIVAN	HARRISON	THEO
AMBER	LILY	PAISLEY	ADLIYND				
4M	**4P**	**5CF**	**5H**	**6E**	**6G**		**PRB**
CLAY	PIXIE	JAKUB	MAYA	EGE	OWEN		
SARAH	MILA	EVANGELIN	ETHAN	CONAN	BEAU		

Kindness	Resilient	Respectful	Unique
LUELLA JASPER LEIA ROSIE SOPHIE	ALBIE JAYDEN LARA LIANA CAINE DANNY ASH HALLE TOMMIE MASON AUTUMN ALESSIA	AVA FRANKIE CHLOE EMIE-ROSE	KIANI DAKOTA

Sports Class	Sports Person	Class Attendance
4P	**LOLA** **AUTUMN**	**2W—97.6%** **6E—98.81%**
5CF	**JOSH**	**2W—96.43%** **5H—98.77%**

Reminder clubs are on a Monday. The clubs finish at 4.00pm

	DATES TO REMEMBER
16th to 20th Feb 2026	Half Term
23rd Feb 2026	Children return to school
23rd Feb 2026	No free clubs this day—Paid clubs ONLY will run
24th February 2026	School Nurse Drop in 2.30pm till 3.30pm
2nd March 2026	Year 4 Winchester Science Museum
5th March 2026	World Book Day—dress up as your favourite book character
6th March 2026	Holi Day—dress up in bright bold colour
11th March 2026	Year 3 Tutankhamun Trip
24th March 2026	Reception Together 8.35am to 8.55am
27th March 2026	INSET DAY
30th March 2026	Easter Holidays
13th April 2026	Children return to school
29th April 2026	4M Residential Ancient Technology Centre leaving at 9.00am
30th April 2026	4M Residential Ancient Technology Centre back at 10.00am
30th April 2026	4P Residential Ancient Technology Centre leaving at 9.00am
1st May 2026	4P Residential Ancient Technology Centre back at 10.00am
7th May 2026	Year 2 Florence Nightingale Workshop
15th May 2026	Year 1 Farmer Palmers Trip
19th May 2026	8.35am to 8.55am Receptions Together Tuesday
21st May 2026	6G Dorchester Trip
22nd May 2026	6E Dorchester Trip
25th to 29th May 2026	Half Term
1st June 2026	Children return to school