

Friday 27th January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

What an exciting half term this is proving to be, with lots of developments happening within our school community. These have ranged from launching Anti-Bullying Ambassadors across the school, to starting a range of new clubs for pupils; something we hope to develop further after the success of the first Choir and Football Team clubs. It has been a pleasure to watch all classes become more and more intrigued with their topics for this half term and to listen to how much they are enjoying their whole class reading texts, with pupils across the school putting in requests for books by the same authors or in the same collection to read in their own time.

We very much look forward to welcoming as many of you as possible into the school for Parent's Evening and to discuss the learning your children have been engaging with.

Thank you for your continued support and as always, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to speak to me or a member of the Senior Leadership Team on the gate.

#### **Dogs**

Please do not bring your dogs onto the school premises.

#### **Drinks**

Please do not let children bring in Prime or Isotonic drinks into school.

#### **MAA**

Come and join us for FEB FRIDAYS! MAA will be selling tuck shop sweets on 3 Fridays. \$\frac{1}{2}\$ 3rd, 10th and 24th of February \$\frac{1}{2}\$ (dependent on good weather!) There will be a table in the front playground and reception playground on these dates! It will be CASH ONLY. The money we raise for these Fridays will be going towards organising workshops to celebrate national science week in March (more details to follow) If you are happy to help volunteer with one or all of these Fridays, please do let us know either on FB comments or the school office We appreciate as much or little help that people are able to give.

# **NEU Strike Action**

As I mentioned in my previous letter about the upcoming NEU teacher strikes; we will endeavour to let parents/carers know at the earliest possible time whether or not your child's class is closed but the latest will be 08:25am on Wednesday 1st February, if you haven't heard from us by then, please assume your child's class is open and bring them into school as usual. Please also remember, if your child is entitled to free school meals and their class is closed on this day, you will be able to collect a packed lunch for them from the school office between **11.30am and 12.30pm**.

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### **Strike**

All vulnerable children will be offered a place in school on strike day. Notification will be sent out when we have confirmed what classes will be closed.

# **Online Platforms - Strikes**

If your child's class is closed on the day of the teaching strikes, we would like to remind you that all pupils have logins in their planners to online learning platforms. These contain a range of different learning tasks that your child can complete throughout the day.

#### Year 2 Design & Technology

Year 2 need cleaned milk bottles, large plastic bottles, tissue boxes or cereal boxes as part of their DT project. Please can the children bring them in for Monday.

# Safer Internet Day - Tuesday 7th February 2023

The theme this year is **'Want to talk about it? Making space for conversations about life online'.** We will be learning about this across the school through assemblies, safer internet activities and different learning opportunities in the Computer Room lead by teachers with their classes.

# World Book Day - Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023

World Book Day was created by UNESCO in 1995 as a worldwide celebration of books and is marked in over 100 countries around the world. Reading for pleasure is a vital indicator of a child's future success - it has more of an impact than their family circumstances, their parents' education background or income, and is therefore a passion that we would love to encourage across our school. More information will follow about how we intend to celebrate this day across the school but you and your child may want to start thinking about which book character they are going to come to school dressed up as!

#### **Facebook**

This is a reminder that we have set up a school Facebook page <a href="www.facebook.com/ManorsideAcademyInfo">www.facebook.com/ManorsideAcademyInfo</a> where you can see all the highlights from the school community including exciting curriculum opportunities, school events, ideas of how to support your children at home and reminders. Please use the above link to follow us so we can share all the exciting things happening at Manorside. Here is a QR Code that you can use to access the page too.



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## **High Achievers for the last two weeks**

RMH – Aurora & Fred. RJC – Ralphie & Maya. 1AG – Daniel & Elodie. 1KH – Gabriela. 2EH – Vinnie & Elayna. 2HG – Pixie & Rayan. 3AP – Autumn & Danny. 3MW – Beau. 4LF – Amelie & Jayden. 4MP – Hannah & Amy. 5RS – Mason & Majus. 5ZF – Eymen & Angel. 6JR – Sara & Nishaany 6RC – Mitchell & Jayden.

### **Dates to Remember**

Tuesday 31st January - MAA meeting at 2.15pm
Wednesday 1st February - Anti-Bullying Ambassador Training
Friday 3rd February - NSPCC Number Day Dress Up
Wednesday 8th February - Parents Evening
Wednesday 8th February - Parent forum at 2.30pm in the hall
Monday 13th February to Friday 17th February - Half Term
Wednesday 22nd February - Mr Egypt in for Yr3
Tuesday 28th February - 3AP swimming starts
Wednesday 8th March - Yr1 Trip to Farmer Palmers
Friday 13th March to 17th March - Science Week

Yours sincerely

Miss Sutter Principal





