

Friday, 19th May 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to start with a big thank you for all your support over the past two weeks with key events happening across the school. These have included Key Stage 1 & 2 SATs tests, Year 6 Breakfast Club, curriculum workshops happening in school and our Coronation Celebrations. All of these went very smoothly for all pupils involved and this is thanks to your ongoing support, as well as the hard work of all staff involved. As a school, with the help of a very kind volunteer, we have sewn a large collage to commemorate the Coronation of King Charles III which will be on display in the school for the pupils to reflect upon and remember.

Sports Fixtures

Over the past two weeks we have attended Year 6 Boys football, Year 5/6 Girls football, Year 3/4 Tennis, Year 3/4 Football and KS2 Cricket Tournaments. A big well done to all the pupils who represented the school so fantastically, we are very proud of all of you for attending these fixtures with such positive mindsets and for showing great sportsmanship attitudes.



Remember to check our school Facebook Page to see photos of all of these events.

Manorside Facebook

Attendance

As a school, we are constantly trying to improve our attendance. We would like to keep you informed of your child's attendance percentage on a weekly basis so that you can see if you are likely to hit the threshold for receiving attendance concern letters from our school attendance officer - Mrs Hunt. Please have a look each Friday in your child's planner to see their most recent attendance percentage and if you have questions or concerns around this, please let a member of SLT know.

Year 5 Open Evening

St Aldhelm's Academy are holding a Year 5 Open Evening on Wednesday 5th July 2023 16.00-18.00.

Grammar School Extended Schools

Mrs Curtis will be starting extended schools after half term to support any of our Year 5 pupils who are hoping to sit the 11+ exams to attend any of the Grammar Schools. Keep an eye out on messages from the school office about how to book your child a place on these sessions.

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Transition

Year 6 Transition Day is on 30th June where they will be going to their new secondary schools. As this day is an INSET Day for Manorside, within school, we will hold our transition day on Wednesday 5th July. The pupils will spend the afternoon with their new class teacher; completing activities about themselves, finding out about the rules & routines of the next year group and having the opportunity to ask any questions they may have. They will come out of school with their usual class teacher, in their usual place. Once you have collected your child on this day, you will have the opportunity for your child to take you to their new classrooms at 3:40-4:00pm so you can see their new learning environment and meet their new teacher. SLT will then close the school gate at 4:00pm.

Transition for Year 6

We would like to ensure the transition to Secondary school for our Year 6s is as seamless and supportive as possible. Mrs Curtis, Miss Saxby and Mr Cooper will be going to meet all of the Heads of Years for every school that our children are going to be transitioning to. This gives us the opportunity to discuss your children in detail to ensure that they can support your children when they arrive. During these meetings attainment, attendance, behaviour, friendships and strengths and weaknesses are all shared. Following this there will be visits by staff from secondary schools to meet each child at Manorside. This gives children an opportunity to discuss any concerns and gain answers to any questions they may have. Year 6 will be then going to visit their new schools on the 30th June giving children the opportunity to look around their new school and meet some of their new teachers. For some of our students there will be extra visits offered to help support with their transition with a member of our staff accompanying them. If you still have not applied for a school place visit the BCP website https://www.bcpcouncil.gov.uk/Schools-and-learning/School-admissions/Apply-for-a-school-place/Apply-for-a-secondary-or-upper-school-place.aspx and download the document to apply. If you would like further assistance with this, please do not hesitate to contact the school office. Alternatively, if you have recently been offered a school place after late application please do let the school know by contacting the school office.

Parental Feedback

Thank you very much to those of you who took the time to complete the parental feedback form, it is great to hear so many positives around the school and also beneficial to hear areas you would like us to develop further.

Here are some of the main words that came out from it:



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Complaints Procedure within School

If you have anything that you are unhappy with or would like to discuss further, then I would just like to inform you of the process to follow. Please can your first point of call be your child's Phase Leader. If you feel the issue is unresolved you can then speak to a member of SLT on the gate who can arrange a meeting with a Vice Principal. The final point of school within school will be the Principal who can support to ensure the correct policies and procedures are being followed across the school.

Uniform Orders for September

Please can we ask you to think about your uniform needs for September and if possible, place your orders by 7th June. Unfortunately, we cannot guarantee that orders placed after this date will be delivered before September. This does not apply to PE kit orders.

School Visits for 2023/2024

We advise you that in the Autumn Term we will be providing a list of school visits booked for the following year. We trust that this will be helpful and enable parents to be aware of events coming up and budget accordingly.

School Photographer

Fraser Portraits are due on Monday 26th June to take our class photos. Please remember that your child will need to wear full school uniform. Those children that have PE that day (Years 4 and 5) will need to bring their PE kit to school and change before their lesson.

High Achievers for the previous two weeks

RMH	Freddie, Rebeka	3MW	Michael, Mateusz
RJC	Henry, Theo	4LF	Jensen, Mahamid
1AG	Max,	4MP	Lara, Daisy-Mae
1JT	Kairo, Blake	5RS	Harley, Loran, Mason
2EH	Fleur, Whole class	5ZF	Benson
2HG	Whole class	6CC	Whole class
3VD	Alessia Jenson	6PC	Whole class Tianna-Marie



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Reminders

Year 6 - End of year dates

Friday, 30 th June	Transition Day
Saturday , 15 th July	Year 6 Dress Rehearsal for Peter Pan Show (more information to follow)
Tuesday, 18 th July	Year 6 Performance to the school
Wednesday, 19th July	Year 6 Performance to parents (evening)
Thursday, 20 th July	Graduation PM
Friday, 21 st July	End of Year celebration (activities are weather dependent)

Pupil Achievements – Please update us with any achievements, with a photo and a brief description. **Choir, Programming and Computer Clubs** – These clubs finish at half term.

Knowledge Organisers - https://www.manorside-academy.co.uk/curriculum/curriculum-maps-2/ **Behaviour** https://www.manorside-academy.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/05/Behaviour-Policy-Sept-2022-MA.pdf

Children – Leave of Absence – Please remember to complete a form beforehand.

Water Bottles – Please ensure that your child has a water bottle in school.

Reception – Spare clothing required.

Bag2school – Donations from 12th June, no further donations accepted after 9am on 16th June

Date	Event	
Friday, 26 th May	8.50-9.30am Parent Workshop in the hall – Mental Health	
Friday, 26 th May	Half term, school finishes at the usual time	
Monday, 5 th June	INSET day – school closed for children	
Tuesday, 6 th June	Start of the second half of the Summer Term	
Thursday, 15 th June	Disco – please see poster for your childs year group	
Friday, 16 th June	Bagstoschool collection at 9am (no deliveries accepted after this time)	
Wednesday 21st June	Meeting at 6pm for parents with children joining Reception September 2023	
Monday, 26 th June	Class Photos – Fraser Portraits	
Friday, 30 th June	INSET day – school closed for children	
Tuesday, 4 th July	Stay and play for new Reception children 9am – 10am (with their parents)	
Wednesday, 5 th July	Transition Afternoon & Opportunity for parents to meet new teacher in school	

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Friday, 7 th July	Sports Day – KS1 Morning and KS2 Afternoon
Tuesday, 11 th July	Stay and play for new Reception children 9am – 10am (without their parents)
Friday 14 th July	Reserve Day for Sports if the weather is bad
Monday, 17 th July	End of Year Reports sent home
Friday, 21 st July End of Term – school finishes at the usual time	

Yours sincerely

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