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(Letter 2)

Dear Parents / Carers

THE SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER WILL BE IN THIS WEDNESDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER TO TAKE INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS. More details to follow.



We are well into the first term now. The children have all settled well into their new classes, and are working hard and enjoying the new challenges. The teachers and the children are all working hard on producing exciting and interesting learning environments within the classroom, and it is great to see them taking shape. A reminder that this Wednesday 30th September is **Parents' Evening**, it is an opportunity to find out lots of information about what your child will be learning this year. We have a range of information ready for you, and hope to see lots of you there.

Remember, if you have concerns or questions at any point, to come in and talk to us about them in order that we can sort things out and put your mind at rest.

This year's **SATs results** were good, a result of lots of hard work from the children, teachers (and parents!). They reflect the good progress that children are making throughout the school, and the Year 6s leave us well prepared for their move to secondary schools. It is good to see the children achieving well, and making excellent progress from their starting points as they arrived here at Manor.

Well done to all!



This year, our priorities are all linked to the findings of the Ofsted inspection, and are:

Achievement: To ensure that achievement is at least good across the school, especially in writing and across Key Stage 1.

Teaching & Learning: For all teaching to be at least good, with an increasing amount that is outstanding.

Leadership & Management: To strengthen this to secure consistently good teaching and achievement for all pupils.

Behaviour & Safety: To ensure that documentation relating to these matters are kept efficiently.

Ethos: For the school's values and ethos to be evident in all areas of school life.

All the work and training that we do as a school this year will be based around these priorities.

We have a brand **new Newsletter Team** who are just starting to learn how to publish the newsletter. Well done to last year's team who did a great job producing 5 excellent newsletters. I am sure that they will have some helpful hints to pass on! The first edition of the year is due out just before half term.



Once again we have **Festival Assemblies** planned to recognise a range of festivals across the main religions. Please see the website for details of which festivals and when. Our first one is for **Navaratri**, a Hindu festival, and is being led by Year 4. It is on **Wednesday 14th October, at 1:30pm** in the Top Hall. Please come along and support the children as they share what they have learned about this festival.

Some dates for this term for your diaries:

Black History Celebration – 7th October

Maths Problem Solving Day – Wednesday 21st October

Half Term – Monday 26th – Friday 30th October

OPEN DAY – Wednesday 2nd December

School Council Fundraiser – Friday 27th November

Christmas Fair – Monday 14th December (3:00pm)

Parents' Evenings – September 30th (4-6pm); March 24th (4-8pm); July 13th (4-6pm)



ASSEMBLIES

Navaratri (Hindu) – Wed 14th Oct

Remembrance Day – Wed 11th Nov

Guru Nanak (Sikh) – Wed 25th Nov

Christmas (Christian) – Wed 16th & Thu 17th Dec

As the weather is turning, a reminder about how we get the children into school on **wet mornings**.



WET MORNINGS

A decision will be made at 8:50 as to whether it is a 'wet morning'

Children will be let in at 8:55am



Nursery, Reception and Year 1 children come in through outside doors from the Nursery playground.

Year 2 children in through the infant side door and go straight up to the middle floor.

KS2 children (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) in through the junior side door and the main entrance and down into the bottom hall where they sit in class lines and wait to be collected by their class teachers.

In order to reduce congestion, adults will not be allowed in to the building.

Thank you

Please feel free to come and see me at any time. In the mean time I hope you all have a good term.

Kate McGee
Headteacher