



MANOR HILL NEWS

21st of November 2025

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Dear Families,

Well it has been another action packed week here at Manor Hill First School which included the opportunity for Key Stage One and Two to visit the theatre. Mr Tapp and I were lucky enough to attend and it was a privilege to witness the awe and wonder on the children's faces during the performances.

We appreciate that this can be a challenging time of year and if you are finding things difficult at the moment financially, emotionally or otherwise, please know that you are not alone. If you need support our Team is here to help in any way we can and rest assured that all conversations will be handled with care and confidentiality.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Lindsay Harris
Executive Headteacher & Team Manor Hill

An Exciting Message From Mrs Harper

We are excited to announce the launch of our brand-new Reading Forest! Children will earn special leaf tokens by reading at home four times a week, and they can proudly add these leaves to their class tree to help it grow.

Throughout the term, classes will work together to build the fullest, most vibrant tree, and the winning class will enjoy a special end-of-term treat. Let's get reading and watch our forest flourish!

Highlights

- Bright Beginners have been developing their fine motor skills by exploring a variety of malleable materials.
- Our Early Explorers have been looking at colours using different media. We have especially enjoyed using tissue paper.
- This week in maths Little Learners have been practising touch counting to five, having lots of fun singing songs such as '5 Little Speckled Frogs'. Do sing this together at home.
- The children in Reception this week have been describing Mummy Owl from the story 'Owl Babies'. They have written some fantastic words using their phonic knowledge. We are so proud of the care they take in their writing.

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- Willow Class have done a super job with their maths this week. They have been subtracting using counters, a number line and their mental maths knowledge. We are super proud of their growing resilience and independence.
- Our scientists in Maple Class have done a fabulous job of sorting the 5 animal groups by their characteristics and can explain their knowledge of this beautifully. Well done!
- This week the children in Elm Class completed the research part of their learning in Design and Technology where they made a slide or swing out of paper to explore how to make it sturdy. Check out the photos below.
- Birch Class have had a super week in English. They have worked really hard learning double ly endings and using onomatopoeia. What onomatopoeia can they spot at over the weekend?
- In Ash Class the children have begun to explore tectonic plates and how they move. Their knowledge is really developing. They have also had great fun in PE developing pass and move skills in Handball. Well done for great week!
- Elder Class have smashed their geography learning this week. Please ask them about the four different layers of the Earth and how tectonic plates work. Their knowledge is exceptional.

Design and Technology in Elm Class this week.



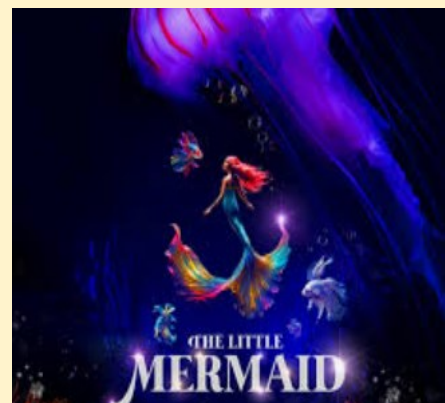


Manor Hill First School has raised £193.40

Thank You!



What an amazing time our Key Stage One and Two Children had watching 'The Little Mermaid' at the New Vic Theatre this week! The children were all super Manor Hill Role Models and we could not be prouder of them. A huge thank you to all of our volunteers and for everyone's support in making this happen.



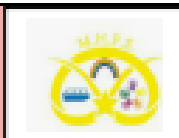


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Autumn Term Key Dates and Events 2025-2026

September	October	November	December
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wednesday 3rd 1st Day of School• Tuesday 23rd Key Stage One Spellings and Reading Workshops 8.15am and 3.30pm• Tuesday 30th Year 4 Multiplication Check Workshops 8.15am and 3.30pm	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thursday 2nd Reception Allotment Visit• Monday 6th Key Stage 2 Harvest Assemblies 9.15am and 2.30pm• Monday 6th Oak Class Reception Phonics Parties 3.30pm• Tuesday 7th Beech Class Reception Phonics Parties 3.30pm• Tuesday 7th Key Stage 2 Roman Chester Visit• Monday 13th & Tuesday 14th Parents Evenings• Wednesday 22nd Spooky Discos Nursery 10am- 11am EYFS 2-3pm Key Stage 1 4-5pm Key Stage 2 5.15- 6.15pm• Friday 24th Reception Room On The Broom Forest School Session with Families 2pm• Week of 27th Half Term	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Monday 3rd Inset Day• Friday 14th Children In Need• Tuesday 18th New Vic Theatre Trip Key Stage One• Wednesday 19th New Vic Theatre Trip Key Stage Two	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tuesday 2nd Ash Class Three Assembly 9.15am• Thursday 11th Festive Jumper Day• Friday 12th Manor Hill Makers Market and Festive Fayre 3.30-5.30pm• Monday 15th Bright Beginners & Early Explorers Festive Work Shops 9.10am-10am• Monday 15th Little Learner Festive Sing-A-Long 2.30pm• Tuesday 16th Reception Nativity 9.30am & 2pm• Wednesday 17th Key Stage One Carols 9.15am & 2pm• Thursday 18th Festive Discos Nursery 10am-11am EYFS 2-3pm Key Stage 1 4-5pm Key Stage 2 5.15- 6.15pm• Friday 19th Festive Surprise Last Day of Term• Week of 22nd Christmas Holidays



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Spring Term Key Dates and Events 2025-2026

January	February	March
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Monday 5th Return to School • Friday 23rd Elder Year Four Assembly 9.15am • Thursday 29th Reception Library Visit	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Friday 6th NSPCC Number Day • Friday 13th Birch Year Three Assembly 9.15am • Monday 16th Half Term • Monday 23rd 'Gotta Sing' Choir at The Gatehouse - Evening (Times TBC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thursday 5th World Book Day • Thursday 12th Key Stage Two Mother's Day Session 9.10 am Key Stage One Mother's Day Session 2.15pm • Friday 13th Nursery Mother's Day Session 9.10 am Reception Mother's Day Session 2.15pm • Monday 16th & Tuesday 17th Parents Evenings • Friday 20th Elm Year Two Assembly 9.15am • Monday 23rd Standon Bowers Information Evening 5.30pm • Wednesday 25th March Reception Balance & Beam • Thursday 26th Key Stage One Spring Assemblies 9.10am & 2.30pm • Monday 30th Easter Holidays



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Summer Term Key Dates and Events 2025-2026

April	May	June	July
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Monday 13th Inset Day	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Friday 1st Maple Year One & Two Assembly 9.15amMonday 4th Bank HolidayWednesday 13th - Friday 15th Standon Bowers Residential Year 4Thursday 21st Reception Shop VisitFriday 22nd Willow Year One Assembly 9.15amMonday 25th Half Term	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Monday 1st Inset DayWednesday 10th - Standon Bowers Presentation Evening - 5.30pmThursday 11th - Reception 2026/2027 Information Evening- 5.30pmThursday 18th Key Stage One Father's Day Session 9.10 am Key Stage Two Father's Day Session 2.15pmFriday 19th Nursery Father's Day Session Bright Beginners & Early Explorers 9.10am Little Learners 10.30am Reception Father's Day Session 2.15pmTuesday 23rd Nursery & Reception Sports Day (am)Wednesday 24th Reception Class 2026- Teddy Bears Picnic 4pm -5pmFriday 26th Key Stage One Sports Day (am) Key Stage Two Sports Day (pm)Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th Transition days	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Friday 3rd Reserve Sports Day Key Stage One & TwoMonday 6th Reserve Sports Day Early YearsWednesday 8th Meet the Teachers 3.30pm and 5.30pmThursday 9th Key Stage Two Leavers Show 1.30pm & 6pmFriday 10th Summer Fayre 3.30pm to 5.30pmTuesday 14th Nursery Graduation 9.15amWednesday 15th Year Four Graduation 9.15amFriday 17th Last Day of Summer Term 2026