



MANOR HILL NEWS

5th of December 2025

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Dear Families,

What a busy week we have had! From our Tempest performance in the round to trips to the post box to post important letters and our Key Stage One Children exploring the local area to strengthen their geographical understanding. All this as well as lots of rehearsing for our upcoming performances.

As we move into the festive season there are lots of exciting things happening in school. We are very much looking forward to hosting our first Manor Hill Maker's Market next Friday as part of our Festive Fayre. Thank you so much for all of your generous donations. Your support makes such a difference to our school community. As it is busy, busy, busy we have included an additional page with key information further on.

Thank you for your continued support,
Mrs Lindsay Harris
Executive Headteacher & Team Manor Hill

On the morning of **Thursday 18th December** we have a festive surprise for all of the children at Manor Hill. We cannot wait to share our surprise!



Highlights

- Christmas has arrived in the Bright Beginners room! We have enjoyed opening our Advent Book Calendar and sharing Christmas stories together.
- Our Early Explorers have enjoyed the story "Goldilocks and the Three Bears". We have been mixing our own porridge for Goldilocks to enjoy!
- This week Little Learners have enjoyed a walk to the post box to post their letters to Father Christmas, it was a cold but exciting walk!
- This week in Reception we have been practising our Nativity, learning all of our lines and singing our songs. We are super excited to show the rest of our school what we have been working on!

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- Willow have started preparing for our Christmas Fayre and Makers Market this week. We can't wait to share what we are creating! We have also enjoyed being out and about exploring our local area, identifying human and physical features.
- Maple Class has joined other classes to walk around our locality as part of our Geography project. We have enjoyed creating maps of the local area and sharing our maps together in class.
- Elm Class have had an exciting week creating their final designs in Design Technology. We also joined other classes on a local walk to explore the locality of Manor Hill and create our own maps in Geography. In Maths we have started adding 1 and 2 digit numbers using the common method.
- Birch Class have worked really hard in Science this week. We loved completing an investigation about light, looking if a variety of objects reflect light, or not. Some of our predictions were spot on!
- Ash Class, what a spectacular performance of The Tempest. The children were all incredible and their costumes looked amazing. It was a pleasure performing in the Manor Hill round in front of our families and the rest of our school.
- Elder Class have been fascinated by their Geography learning on natural disasters this week. They have learnt about volcanos, earthquakes and how the movement of tectonic plates causes these. Our drawings and explanations have been amazing!

The Tempest



An unforgettable performance!

Ash Class wowed everyone with their assembly of The Tempest. A truly incredible display of mystery and magic! Our young performers brought Shakespeare's story to life with charm, creativity and spellbinding energy!

Nursery Post Box Visits



Our Little Learners posting their letters to Santa.

Festive Events & PTFA Messages

Elf Run



Get ready for some festive fun! Our **Elf Run** will take place on **12th December**. All children will need to come to school in their **PE kits**. We can't wait to see our speedy elves dash around the festive course! If you have any loose change to pop into the Elf Jar we will send all money raised to Childhood Cancer Parents Alliance.

To find out more about this charity visit www.ccpa.org.uk



Our Little Learners will be singing festive songs on **Monday 15th December at 2.30pm**. Details and tickets are available on SeeSaw.

Thank you from the PTFA and the Team at Manor Hill for the fantastic donations on Rainbow Day! The PTFA have made up some fantastic rainbow hampers ready for our **Christmas Fayre and Makers Market on Friday 12th December at 3.30pm**.



Tickets for our **Festive Disco, on Thursday 18th December**, are available to purchase for £1 from the school office, disco goodies will be available for £1 and can be purchased from the reception entrance on arrival. (KS1 4pm-5pm and KS2 5.15pm-6.15pm)

Complimentary tea, coffee and mince pies will be available at our **Reception Nativity on Tuesday 16th December** and our **KS1 Christmas Carols on Wednesday 17th December**. Tickets are still available for our performances. Any refreshment donations would be gladly accepted.



Manor Hill's The Place To Be!

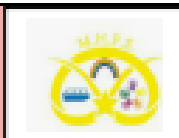


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Autumn Term Key Dates and Events 2025-2026

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