



MANOR HILL NEWS

17th of April 2026

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Dear Families,

We are looking forward to a busy and exciting Summer Term ahead. The children have returned exceptionally well after the holidays, settling quickly back into routines and demonstrating a positive attitude to learning. Our Attendance continues to remain a strength of the school, thank you for your support with this.

This is a particularly special time of year for our school community where we find out who will be starting their Reception Class journey with us in September. Lots of information is on its way to ensure your child's best start possible at Manor Hill. As well as excitement, we appreciate that this can be an unsettling time, especially if you were initially unsuccessful in your application. As a school we do not decide who is allocated a place and how, it is best to get in touch with the Staffordshire Admissions Team who will guide you through your next steps via

<https://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools-and-learning/school-admissions>

This week our Year 4 pupils will have found out their next setting, and we hope they have secured the opportunities they were hoping for and feel excited about what lies ahead.

Our class group photographs will take place on Wednesday 22nd April 2026.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Mrs Lindsay Harris, Executive Headteacher & Team Manor Hill



We're delighted to invite you to explore the magic of early learning at Manor Hill First School. Come and discover the warmth, wonder, and joy of our Early Years Foundation Stage provision.

What to expect:

Explore our inspiring indoor and outdoor learning environments

Meet our passionate and dedicated EYFS team

See how we nurture every child's development through play and discovery.

When to visit:

Saturday 25th April, 9-11am (tour our school and chat with our wonderful EYFS staff)

We currently have places available in our nursery for 2, 3 and 4-year-olds for the 2026-2027 academic year.

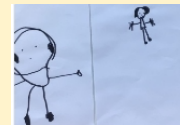
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Highlights

This week, Bright Beginners have been exploring farm animals and listening to the different sounds that they make. We have been playing listening games to identify farm animals.

Early Explorers have been identifying farm animals in preparation for our Farm on Wheels visit next week. Our book of the week also focuses on a variety of farm animals.

Little Learners have settled back to nursery wonderfully after the Easter Break. We have enjoyed sharing our pictures and talking about the activities we have been doing. We have also been drawing portraits of ourselves.



In Maths this week, Reception have been learning how to add two numbers together to equal up to 10. We have also been printing vegetable patterns in art using and identifying fresh vegetables.

This week, Willow have been so excited to learn about our new History focus, Florence Nightingale. We are so curious to learn about how good hygiene saved and still saves so many lives, and the significant role that Florence played in History.

This week, Elm have been focussing on multiplication in Maths, we did some amazing problem solving questions. We have also learnt all about different areas around the U.K. and their locations.

In Science, Maple have begun our new project, learning about seasonal changes. We have enjoyed measuring length in Forest School too.

This week, Birch have completed making our lunchbox designs in Design Technology. We have had some fantastic designs and everyone has really enjoyed this project. Well done Birch!

Ash have really enjoyed Forest School this week. It has been so lovely to see everyone learning in the outdoors.

Elder have completed their first week of swimming this week. Everyone gave it a go in the pool and did really, well. We walked to and from the swimming pool and everyone represented our school so well. We are so proud of Elder's resilience and determination.

Advance Notice of our 2026 -2027 Term Dates and Inset Days



Manor Hill First School Term Dates and Inset Days 2026-2027

Autumn Term 2026

- **Inset Day:** Tuesday 1st September
- **Inset Day:** Wednesday 2nd September
- **Term Starts:** Thursday 3rd September
- **Half-Term Holiday:** Monday 26th October - Friday 30th October
- **Inset Day:** Monday 2nd November
- **Last Day of Autumn Term:** Friday 18th December
- **Christmas Holiday:** Monday 21st December - Friday 1st January

Spring Term 2027

- **Term starts:** Monday 4th January
- **Half-Term Holiday:** Monday 15th February - Friday 19th February
- **Last Day of Spring Term:** Thursday 25th March
- **Easter Holiday:** Friday 26th March - Friday 9th April

Summer Term 2027

- **Inset Day:** Monday 12th April
- **Term starts:** Tuesday 13th April
- **May Day Bank Holiday:** Monday 3rd May
- **Half-Term Holiday:** Monday 31st May - Friday 4th June
- **Inset Day:** Monday 7th June
- **Last Day of Summer Term:** Wednesday 21st July
- **Summer Holiday:** Thursday 22nd July - Wednesday 1st September



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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