



MANOR HILL NEWS

24th of April 2026

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Dear Families,

What an exciting week here at Manor Hill First School! Year Four have already begun their preparations for their end-of-year show, and we are delighted to announce that they will be performing *Mary Poppins!* Funds raised through our PTFA events are being invested in upgrading our staging, which will enhance not only this production but all future performances. Our Nursery children had a wonderful time during their visit from Farm on Wheels, enjoying a hands-on experience with a variety of animals.

Meanwhile, our Key Stage Two pupils have represented the school brilliantly this week, playing exceptionally well in football matches against Oakridge Primary School and Tittensor First School.

We look forward to welcoming new families into the school during our nursery open event this Saturday and hope you will agree that Manor Hill is the place to be!

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:

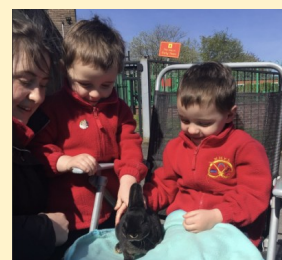
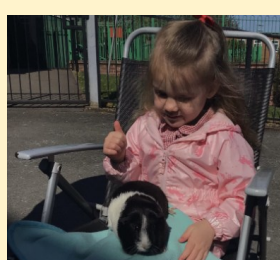
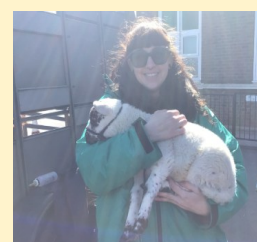
Saturday 25th April, 9-11am (tour our school and chat with our wonderful EYFS staff)

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 and Early Explorers had a visit from The Farm on Wheels. We bottle fed the baby lambs and fed the chicks and mummy hen. We also got to stroke a rabbit and a guinea pig.



Little Learners have been exploring the properties of a square and a rectangle. As the weather has been nice we have had lots of water play outside too. Our book this week has been *Errol's Garden* and following on from this we are looking forward to planting seeds outside next week.

In Science this week, Reception have been looking at the importance of hygiene. We have also completed an experiment where we have looked at germs.

This week, Willow have been very busy measuring in CM's using a variety of things from nature. In Maths, we have been making equal groups and in History we have been singing songs about Florence Nightingale.

In Maths this week, Elm have been learning our 2 times table. In History, we have started a new topic about significant historical figures. We have also looked at hospitals in the 1900's to current day, exploring how they differ over time.

This week, Maple Class have enjoyed learning about how hospitals have changed over time, we have linked this to our Florence Nightingale History project.

In Maths this week, both Ash and Birch Classes have been looking at non-chronological reporting along with adding and subtracting units of measure.

Elder Class have enjoyed a collaborative time with Walton Middle School. We have completed lots of transitional activities including marble runs and lots of team working sessions.

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