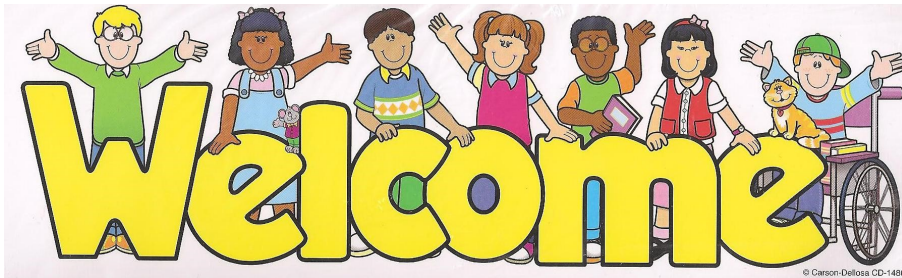




Manor Longbridge

Reception Newsletter: Autumn 2023



Welcome to Reception

This is the first termly newsletter which we hope will keep you up to date with all the activities and events happening this term. Remember to check the school website on Friday for details of planning for the week ahead at www.manorinfants.com.

Class	Class Teacher	Teaching Assistant
1	Mr Wallace	Miss Moret
2	Mr Pedroli	Mrs Pearce
3	Mrs Popat	Mrs O'Mahoney
Midday Assistants		
Miss Crossley, Mrs Khan, Mrs Rahman, Mrs Masood		

<u>Key Times</u>	
Gates Open	8.45am
Registration	8.50am
Start Lunch Time	11.30am
End Lunch Time	12.30pm
Home Time	3.20pm
Gates Close	3.30pm

Start of the Day

Please enter school via the small gate and continue along the path marked by cones through the Reception playground. Remember to allow your child to enter their class independently. Please exit by following the one way system through the main playground. If you are late, your child should enter via the school office. Please **do not** allow your child to play or climb on the equipment before or after school. We cannot accept any responsibility for injuries.

Home time

At the end of each day, the class teacher will only dismiss your child when they have seen you. Please notify us of any changes to the person collecting your child as we will not be able to release them to an unexpected adult.

Uniform

Please make sure that EVERY item of clothing is labelled clearly with your child's name but especially coats, jumpers and cardigans. Encourage your child to dress and undress themselves at home in order to develop their independence. No jewellery is to be worn in school and **please do not dress your child in shoes with laces.**

Topics

The focus for Reception in the Autumn term will be establishing routines and developing independence. We will also be learning about Autumn, Diwali and Christmas. Our main topic will be **Let's Explore!** This project teaches children about the environments that they share with others, including their homes, school and places in the local community.

The core texts we use for the topic will be:

- *Every House on Every Street* by Jess Hitchman
- *We are Family* by Ryan Wheatcroft
- *We're Going on a Bear Hunt* by Michael Rosen
- *Mini Rabbit Not Lost* by John Bond

Mathematics

In Mathematics the children will be developing their understanding of numbers 1-10. They will be learning to recognise numbers, count objects accurately and order these numbers. They will also be learning about the composition of numbers 1-3 and subitising.

Reading

We look forward to working with you to instil a love of reading into your child. Throughout the first half term, children will start to learn the skills they need to decode words phonetically for reading. During this time children will only bring home a library book which will be changed once per week. Please share this book with them daily. After each read, please write a comment in their Reading Record Book which will earn them prizes as part of our reading reward scheme. After half term, your child will bring home an additional book they can read to you. Please listen to them read, discuss the book, ask them questions about what they have read and comment in their reading record. Manor Primary follows the Little Wandle phonics scheme. You can learn about the scheme and how best to support your child at home on their website: www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk

PE

PE will take place indoors on a **Monday** and outdoors on a **Friday**. Please send your child to school wearing the appropriate PE kit on those days each week with no jewellery and hair tied back.

Handwriting

Your child will be learning to form letters of the alphabet through daily handwriting lessons. Children will also begin to write simple words using their developing phonic knowledge.

Homework

Your child will receive a piece of homework each week to consolidate their learning. It will be sent home on a Friday and should be returned by Wednesday.

If you have any concerns or queries, the staff are always available at the end of the day. We look forward to working with you!

The Reception Team