



MANOR PRIMARY SCHOOL

Spring Term Newsletter



Stars of the Week

(since the last news letter)

Robins:

Harry and Eva

Swans:

Sophia L-S and Farrah

Owls:

Finley and Isobel

Penguins:

Henry and Hollie

Lunchtimes:

Alfie A and Olivia S

Headteacher:

Archie W, Joshua I and Thomas R

Governor Vacancy

We have a vacancy on our Governing Board for a parent governor. If you are interested in becoming a governor then please pop into the office for information or see Mr Robson for a chat to see what the role entails. If we have enough interest we will hold elections but when we advertised before Christmas we had nobody who came forward so there may be no need for elections if there is only one candidate!

Mini Manor Moan Section!

Parking - Please can I ask again that parents do not park on the yellow lines outside school to drop off or pick up children. It causes a hazard and obstructs the view for those crossing the road. If you can walk from within the village, please do. If you need to drive, please give yourself enough time so you can park safely and considerately and walk, even when it is raining. Thank you all for helping to keep our children safe.

PE Kits - We have recently had up to 25% of some classes without appropriate PE kits in school to take part in the legal requirement of the National Curriculum subject of PE. Please could you check that we have a minimum of **white or red t-shirt, black shorts and pumps or trainers** that fit, in school every day. Extra clothing for outdoor PE is also needed throughout much of the year. This is a long sleeved sweatshirt and jogging bottoms. We will allow children to wear their school sweatshirt if they have nothing else but it may potentially get muddy. If you have any clean, spare kit in reasonable condition that your child has grown out of we would appreciate any donations so we can have a bank of spares so everyone can take part in lessons.

Healthy Eating - We all want the children at Manor to be as healthy as possible and if staff and parents work together we can try to get the balance right in terms of diet at school. Recently, some of the food being brought in has been clearly unhealthy (chocolate and crisps) and we would like to encourage a review of food choices. It is impossible for us to police every child's diet even if we wanted to and when we have tried to set clear rules such as 'water only' in class, we have encountered strong opposition from a few which has then meant that others have followed under pressure from their children who understandably complain that it isn't fair that someone else has squash in their bottle! It is not possible to define the perfect diet and we are educationalists, not dieticians but can we request that the balance is redressed again.

- Please send only water in bottles unless there is a valid reason otherwise (not just that they prefer something else)
- Please send 'healthy' snacks for break time. They will be offered fruit and milk. Please no sweets, chocolate or crisps. This is where it is down to your judgement in many cases of course as there are some more healthy options in terms of crisps such as unsweetened popcorn etc. (it's never simple!)
- Please send balanced lunches with a small treat for desert such as fruit or yoghurt. Not a full sized chocolate bar!

If we all make an effort to make it a healthy school (including in the staff room!) then the children won't perceive it as unfair when they see what others are eating. Thank you for your support.

Moan over! Sorry☹

