



January/February 2024

Happy New Year!

Welcome back to the start of the Spring Term and the New Year! We hope that you all enjoyed your Christmas break. We would all like to take this opportunity to wish you a successful and healthy year for 2024.

As we enter the new year, we look forward to the many challenges and learning opportunities this year has in store for your child. We look forward to watching them as they further develop.

End of Last Term

Thank you to all who supported our Christmas productions that took place at the end of last term. We were incredibly proud of how well the children did and the fantastic performances that they produced.

We would also like to thank you for your generosity in raising money for "Lincs & Notts Air Ambulance" at the end of the performances. Altogether, we raised an incredible **£492.08!** We would like to say a huge thank you on behalf of all of the pupils and staff.

We would also like to thank you for supporting the 'Christmas Jumper Day' and your donations made to Save the Children.

Reception 2024 Intake

The closing date for applications is **15th January 2024** for entry to Reception in September 2022. Please make sure all applications are in by this date. Thank you.

DIARY DATES

JANUARY

4th START OF TERM

9th Year 4 Egyptians Experience Day in School

10th Year 5 WW2 Experience Day

16th Year 4 Bikeability

22nd Year 6 Trip to Lincolnshire Life Museum

23rd Chinese Dragon Dance Workshop– ALL

FEBRUARY

8th Year 1 Fire Station Visit

9th END OF TERM

12th—16th HALF TERM

19th Pupils return to school

21st African Dance Workshop (ALL)

22nd Year 2 Pedestrian Training

26th—29th Year 5 Bikeability

MARCH

8th World Book Day

11th Year 2 Parent SAT Meeting

12th Year 6 Parent SAT Meeting

15th Red Nose Day

19th Year 2 Fire Safety Talk

19th Parents Evening

21st Parents Evening

27th—28th Year 2 Rand Farm Trip

28th End of Term (2pm Finish)

POPPIES

We would like to share with you the news that as an academy we raised an incredible £269.14 for The Royal British Legion!



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CONTACT DETAILS

Please can we politely ask that your contact details are kept up to date. Should you have a change of address or phone number, please just contact the office.



WE ARE COOP COMMUNITY CHAMPIONS

We are the Coop Community Champions from 3rd Dec – 2nd March at Hykeham Green Food Store, Hykeham Village Pharmacy and The Forum Pharmacy. Every time a member shops in these stores a donation is made to the Community Champion in that area.

COMMUNICATION

Please can we remind all parents to use our office email in order to contact anyone in the academy. This is support the needs of all of our staff but also to ensure that your email is acted on as quickly and efficiently as possible. Thank you to all of our parents who consistently already do this– it is very much appreciated.

As a reminder, this is admin@manorfarmacademy.org

BIKEABILITY

Just a reminder to parents that **Year 4 pupils** taking part in Bikeability on **Tuesday 16th January** will need to have their **bike and a helmet** in school on this day.

Year 5 pupils will take part in bikeability **between 26th and 29th February**. We will inform you nearer the time as to which two days bikes and helmets will be needed.

LABELLING CLOTHING

We would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone of the importance of labelling all items of clothing- whether that is jumpers, t-shirts or hats, scarves and gloves. When items of clothing are lost, they can quickly be returned to their owner if they are labelled. If there is no name in an item, it is more difficult to find the owner and these items often end up in our lost property box (which is currently full). We really do appreciate those of you that already take the time to do this - thank you.!

ASSESSMENTS

Please find the dates for Year 1, 2, 4 and 6 national assessments below. **It is vital with regards to school data and your child's own personal records that your child is present within these weeks.** We very much welcome your support with this.

Y1: Phonics Screen Test:

WB 10th June 2024

Y2 SATs: (These are optional for schools, but as an academy we will be carrying these out)

WB 13th May 2024

Y4 Times Table Check:

WB 10th June 2024

Y6 SATs:

Monday 13th May 2024 to Thursday 16th May 2024

WORLD BOOK DAY

We would like to remind you of the forthcoming World Book Day on Thursday 7th March. We would love it if all of the children and staff could come to school on this day, dressed as a character from one of their favourite books. The children will all be involved in a range of activities inspired by children's books. We look forward to seeing all of the wonderful outfits relating to the books which our pupils have read. Please do not feel that outfits have to be purchased— it is always wonderful to see the range of creative homemade costumes too!

