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February 2023

February Already!

Welcome to our February newsletter. Pupils are enjoying their learning within the academy with a variety of exciting aspects to our curriculum. These include dressing up as Egyptians, playing glockenspiels, using Beebots and cookery!

Much new learning has already taken place and we are delighted to see that all pupils are embracing their new skills and knowledge with an incredible attitude.

KS2 Parents Reading Meeting

On Monday 6th February, all parents of pupils in **Year 3—Year 6** are invited to a Reading Meeting at **9.00am** in the hall with **Mrs Boast**. We are hoping that this meeting will be an opportunity for parents to have an open discussion about **reading at home and in school**— to share successes, but also to discuss barriers to being able to do this. There will be refreshments available on the morning and we do hope to see as many of you there that can make it. Please do come along even if you have not yet been able to make the office aware.

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.

Year 5 Bikeability

Just a reminder to parents of Year 5 pupils taking part in Bikeability after half term, they will need to have their **bike and a helmet** in school on those days.

DIARY DATES

FEBRUARY

- 6th** KS2 Parent Meeting (READING) 9am
- 7th** Safer Internet Day
- 9th** Reception visit The Deep
- 10th** Term 3 Ends (3.30pm)
- 10th** PTFA Treat Friday after school
- 20th** Term 4 Start
- 20th** Year 5 Bikeability
- 28th Bags to School Collection

MARCH

- 2nd** World Book Day
- 2nd** PTFA Beetle Drive
- 3rd** Year 2 Sports Event at NK
- 7th** KS2 SATs Meeting for Y6 Parents
- 14th** KS1 SATs Meeting for Y2 Parents
- 15th– 17th** Year 6 Residential
- 16th** Year 1 visit Lincoln Cathedral
- 17th** Red Nose Day
- 21st** Y6 Healthy Minds Workshop for Y6
- 22nd** Year 2 Pedestrian Training in school
- 22nd** Year 5 STEM Day
- 23rd–24th** Year 2 Residential
- 27th** Home work Show (Y1-Y6)
- 28th** Parent's Evening
- 30th** Parent's Evening
- 31st** Term 4 Ends (**2pm finish**)



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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 12th June 2023

Y2 SATs:

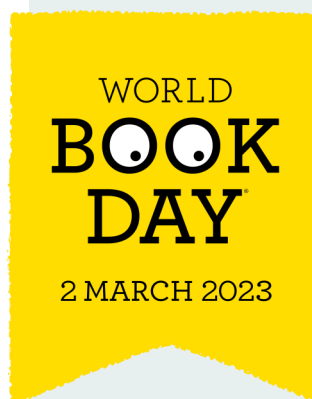
WB 15th May 2023

Y4 Times Table Check:

WB 12th June 2023

Y6 SATs:

Tuesday 8th May 2023 to Friday 12th May 2023



World Book Day

We would like to remind you of the forthcoming World Book Day on 2nd 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!

Labelling Clothing

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you all 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.

We really do appreciate those of you that already take the time to do this - thank you.

Plea for old shirts

Should anyone have any old, washed shirts that would be suitable for our KS2 pupils to wear during art sessions, we would very much welcome donations of these. Thank you



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Kids Club Drop-Off and Collection

Please could we ask that those collecting pupils from Breakfast Club or After-School Club do not park in front of the school gates. Thank you.



PTFA NEWS

The PTFA has been working very closely with the Academy staff to plan some fun events for Manor Farm Academy children and adults. These are detailed in the diary of events below. The PTFA has also been making arrangements with the Academy staff to fund some new and exciting school projects, further information will follow shortly.

PTFA Diary of Events:

February

7 - PTFA Committee Meeting.
10 - Valentine Treat Friday.

March

2 - Beetle Drive; bring an adult.
7 - PTFA Committee Meeting.
31 - Easter Treat Friday.

May

Date TBC - King's Coronation activity.
4 - Spring Fashion Show & Shopping Event.
18 - Movie Night.
26 - Frozen Treat Friday.

June

24 - Summer Fete.

July

13 - Disco Night.
20 - Academy Fun & Games Day.
21 - Frozen Treat Friday.

The next PTFA Meeting will be held at Manor Farm Academy at 5.15pm on Tuesday 7 February, everyone is welcome to attend the meeting. The PTFA is always keen to welcome new members. If you would like to be involved or have any suggestions, please contact the PTFA at manorfarmptfa@gmail.com

If you have skills that could help manage the PTFA web page or coordinate a uniform shop & costume box, the PTFA would be very excited to hear from you.