



# MANOR HILL NEWS

23rd of January 2026

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Dear Families,

What a wonderful buzz of learning across the school again this week at Manor Hill! It is fantastic to see the enthusiasm for learning and high levels of engagement.

We are incredibly proud of Elder Class, who performed an exceptional Science assembly this morning for their families and peers. It was a fantastic showcase of their learning in class. Well done. On Monday, our Manor Hill Choir will be performing at the Young Voices event at the NEC in Birmingham. An exciting opportunity for all involved. We will be cheering you on!

**Additional Event Date-** Friendship Discos will be taking place on Thursday the 12th of February, further information will follow next week.

Thank you for your continued support,  
Mrs Lindsay Harris  
Executive Headteacher & Team Manor Hill

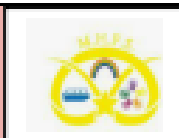
## Elder Class Assembly

What a fantastic assembly performance from Year 4 today! We are so proud of you all, you were amazing. Thank you to all families who came to support.



## Highlights

- This week Bright Beginners have been exploring different sounds using musical instruments. We've learnt how to make sounds by using our hands and feet to clap, stomp and tap.
- Early Explorers have been exploring snow textures and making marks and patterns with a variety of different tools.
- Little Learners have been busy preparing for the British Garden Birdwatch. We have made our own fat balls and apple sunflower feeders, we have hung these around the school grounds. We also enjoyed spending time observing and identifying the different birds that visited our feeders!
- This week, Reception Class have been working with a Ten-frame to identify and subitise numbers to five. Ask your child to look at an amount to 5, can they say the number without counting?
- Willow have written our final treasure hunt this week, well done Ship Mates! Everyone did a fantastic job! We loved our forest school time this week too, we practiced our left, right, above and below directional skills. What a busy week we have had!
- In Maths, Maple Year 2 have absolutely smashed column subtraction this week, taking away a two digit number from another two digit number with exchange. Maple Year 1 have also absolutely amazed us with their place value knowledge within 20!
- This week Elm Class have started learning about Andy Warhol and created an exploration page with his work. We have also learnt all about adverbs and started to pair them with verbs for our scavenger hunt instructions.
- This week, Birch Class have been working hard in English, using speech to create conversations with the animals in the forest from The Wild Robot.
- Ash Class have had a really busy week. We have created dialogues using the correct speech punctuation. They have also used the formal method when dividing, showing an amazing understanding of the bus stop method. Well Done Ash Class!
- Elder Class have done some amazing Maths this week. We have been using the bus stop method for long division. Elder have also worked really hard to succeed using this model of learning and have taken on some tricky word problems.



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## Spring Term Key Dates and Events 2025-2026

January	February	March
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup></b> Return to School</li> <li>• <b>Friday 23<sup>rd</sup></b> Elder Year Four Assembly 9.15am</li> <li>• <b>Thursday 29<sup>th</sup></b> Reception Library Visit</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Friday 6<sup>th</sup></b> NSPCC Number Day</li> <li>• <b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup></b> Birch Year Three Assembly 9.15am</li> <li>• <b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup></b> Half Term</li> <li>• <b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup></b> 'Gotta Sing' Choir at The Gatehouse - Evening (Times TBC)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup></b> World Book Day</li> <li>• <b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup></b> Key Stage Two Mother's Day Session 9.10 am</li> Key Stage One Mother's Day Session 2.15pm <li>• <b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup></b> Nursery Mother's Day Session 9.10 am</li> Reception Mother's Day Session 2.15pm <li>• <b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> &amp; Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup></b> Parents Evenings</li> <li>• <b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup></b> Elm Year Two Assembly 9.15am</li> <li>• <b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup></b> Standon Bowers Information Evening 5.30pm</li> <li>• <b>Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March</b> Reception Balance &amp; Beam</li> <li>• <b>Thursday 26<sup>th</sup></b> Key Stage One Spring Assemblies 9.10am &amp; 2.30pm</li> <li>• <b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup></b> Easter Holidays</li></ul>



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## Summer Term Key Dates and Events 2025-2026

April	May	June	July
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> Inset Day</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Maple Year One &amp; Two Assembly 9.15am</li><li>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> Bank Holiday</li><li>Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> Standon Bowers Residential Year 4</li><li>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> Reception Shop Visit</li><li>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Willow Year One Assembly 9.15am</li><li>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> Half Term</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Inset Day</li><li>Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> - Standon Bowers Presentation Evening - 5.30pm</li><li>Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> - Reception 2026/2027 Information Evening- 5.30pm</li><li>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> Key Stage One Father's Day Session 9.10 am Key Stage Two Father's Day Session 2.15pm</li><li>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Nursery Father's Day Session Bright Beginners &amp; Early Explorers 9.10am Little Learners 10.30am Reception Father's Day Session 2.15pm</li><li>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Nursery &amp; Reception Sports Day (am)</li><li>Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> Reception Class 2026- Teddy Bears Picnic 4pm -5pm</li><li>Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Key Stage One Sports Day (am) Key Stage Two Sports Day (pm)</li><li>Monday 29<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> Transition days</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Reserve Sports Day Key Stage One &amp; Two</li><li>Monday 6<sup>th</sup> Reserve Sports Day Early Years</li><li>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> Meet the Teachers 3.30pm and 5.30pm</li><li>Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> Key Stage Two Leavers Show 1.30pm &amp; 6pm</li><li>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> Summer Fayre 3.30pm to 5.30pm</li><li>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> Nursery Graduation 9.15am</li><li>Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> Year Four Graduation 9.15am</li><li>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> Last Day of Summer Term 2026</li></ul>