



MANOR HILL NEWS

10th of July 2026

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Dear Families,

It's been another hot week here at Manor Hill and, whilst we have been prioritising the children's wellbeing in the warm weather, the buzz of learning has continued to fill the school.

Thank you for your understanding regarding the decision to move the evening performance of Mary Poppins. As always, the safety and welfare of our children is paramount. Despite the change of plans, the children performed incredibly well in their afternoon show and we are immensely proud of them. Their enthusiasm, confidence and talent shone through, making it a truly memorable performance.

Excitingly, our Reception children visited Peak Wildlife Park this week. They thoroughly enjoyed seeing a variety of animals up close and learning about their habitats, diets and how they are cared for. The visit provided a wonderful opportunity to bring their learning to life and created many lasting memories.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the School Fayre later today, organised by our wonderful PTFA. Thank you, as always, for your continued support and for helping to make our school community such a special place. Have a lovely weekend.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Lindsay Harris, Executive Headteacher & Team Manor Hill

Year 4 Clip n Climb



Manor Hill's The Place To Be!

Highlights

Bright Beginners have continued to sell ice cream from our ice cream shop. We have enjoyed playing with our kitchen equipment, dressing up and playing with our toys in the shade.

This week, Early Explorers have enjoyed lots of water play this week. We have also identified different animals and their sounds, using our plastic zoo animals.

Little Learners have had a busy week of outside learning. We have also checked our seeds, and we are now starting to watch the plants flower! We have also enjoyed ice pops during outdoor play. We are really looking forward to our Graduation Day next week.

In Reception this week, we have re-visited on our "This is Me" poem. We enjoyed our special visit to Peak Wildlife Park, thank you to everyone who helped with the trip. We are really looking forward to performing our End of Year Assembly next week.

This week in Science, Willow have produced some fantastic posters, with the theme - protecting our coast. The knowledge and imagination used to produce our posters was amazing! Well done Willow.

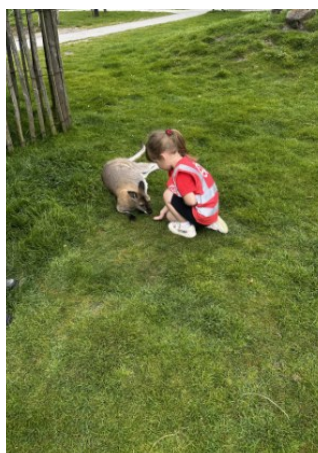
Elm Class have learnt about temperatures and weather, this week. We have explored a thermometer and we're starting to understand the temperatures of the difference seasons.

In Maths, Maple Class have enjoyed learning about time. We have started to tell the time on a clock face. We are learning about the functions of the minute and hour hands on the clock.

This week, Birch and Ash Classes have started to learn about the eight points on a compass. We have used our compasses to show us the direction we are walking in. We worked in pairs to set directional challenges.

Elder Class, what can we say. You have been utterly outstanding with your first Mary Poppin's performance this week. Everyone has worked so hard to learn their lines and get into character! We are excited to perform again on Tuesday!

Reception Visit to Peak Wildlife



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Great British Summer Savings

Rising prices can make life's little treats harder to afford, especially during the school holidays when costs build up for families. This Government is determined to help, and that is why last month the Chancellor announced the Great British Summer Savings scheme.

From 25 June to 1 September 2026, the Government is temporarily cutting VAT from 20% to 5% on children's meals in restaurants, children and family tickets to cinemas, theatres, concerts and exhibitions, and admission to a wide range of attractions. Combined with free bus travel during August for children aged 5 to 15 in England, families and young people will be able to enjoy experiences that make summer special, including visits to the kinds of cultural and educational attractions that enrich children's lives outside the classroom.

The public are ready to get behind the scheme and are keen to take advantage of the discounts available. As trusted pillars of their communities, schools play a vital role in connecting families with important information.

We need you to help spread the word. So please share details of the Great British Summer Savings scheme through your newsletters, school apps, and other communications to parents and carers, so that the families in your school community know about the experiences they can enjoy this summer for less.

This forms part of a broader effort by the Government to ease financial pressures on families. From ending the two-child limit and expanding free school meals, to rolling out free breakfast clubs and delivering 30 hours of free childcare, this Government is taking action to put more money back into parents' pockets and give every child the best possible start in life.

As part of this campaign, we have launched an attraction finder website which allows families to type in their postcode and find participating venues near them to make the most of summer savings. To use the attraction finder, please visit <https://summersavings.gov.uk>.

Businesses can find out more about the VAT reduction by visiting GOV.UK and searching 'Temporary reduced rate of VAT for family attractions'.

Yours sincerely,

RT HON BRIDGET PHILLIPSON MP

Secretary of State for Education



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Summer Term Key Dates and Events 2025-2026

April	May	June	July
Monday 13th Inset Day	- Friday 1st Maple Year One & Two Assembly 9.15am - Monday 4th Bank Holiday - Wednesday 13th - Friday 15th Standon Bowers Residential Year 4 - Thursday 21st Reception Shop Visit - Friday 22nd Willow Year One Assembly 9.15am - Monday 25th Half Term	- Monday 1st Inset Day - Wednesday 10th - Standon Bowers Presentation Evening - 5.30pm - Thursday 11th - Reception 2026/2027 Information Evening- 5.30pm - Thursday 18th Key Stage One Father's Day Session 9.10 am Key Stage Two Father's Day Session 2.15pm - Friday 19th Nursery Father's Day Session Bright Beginners & Early Explorers 9.10am Little Learners 10.30am Reception Father's Day Session 2.15pm - Tuesday 23rd - Nursery & Reception Sports Day (am) - Wednesday 24th Reception Class 2026- Teddy Bears Picnic 4pm -5pm - Friday 26th - Key Stage One Sports Day (am) - Key Stage Two Sports Day (pm) - Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th Transition days	- Friday 3rd Reserve Sports Day Key Stage One & Two - Monday 6th Reserve Sports Day Early Years - Wednesday 8th Meet the Teachers 3.30pm and 5.30pm - Thursday 9th Key Stage Two Leavers Show 1.30pm & 6pm - Friday 10th Summer Fayre 3.30pm to 5.30pm - Tuesday 14th Nursery Graduation 9.15am - Wednesday 15th Year Four Graduation 9.15am - Friday 17th Last Day of Summer Term 2026