



# Manland Primary School Newsletter

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023



## Diary Dates

Date	Event
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 1 Phonics Workshop for parents/carers at 9am
Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 3 swimming starts
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> September	Reception Phonics Workshop for parents/carers at 9am Year 6 Crucial Crew trip
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	Parents evening appointment system opens for bookings at 6pm Year 2 – 6 Reading Workshop for parents/carers at 9am

Dear Parents and Carers,

What another busy and productive week we have had at school. Thank you to the parents and carers who attended our final Meet the Teacher sessions this week, we hope it was informative.

You will be pleased to hear that you will soon have another opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher at our forthcoming Parents Evening sessions on 17<sup>th</sup> October and 19<sup>th</sup> October 2023. Please look out for details in next week's newsletter on how to book a parents' evening appointment with your child's class teacher.

We had our first sporting outing this week, with the Year 5 and 6 girls team taking part in 3 football matches on Tuesday. The team showed great teamwork throughout and really enjoyed representing Manland. Congratulations to all who took part!

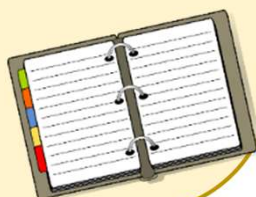
This week, we have also seen (and heard!) our pupils demonstrating their musical skills, with Year 3 violin lessons and Year 4 percussion and singing lessons starting. Classes have also started rehearsing for the Harvest Festival, taking place on 13<sup>th</sup> October. It has been wonderful to walk the school corridors and hear the beautiful music!

Finally an update regarding Mrs Wicks. I am pleased to say that her recovery continues to go well and that she is increasingly feeling like her old self. She is planning to ease herself back into school life, which means that we will see her around at varying times over the next few weeks. For the time being, I will remain in post as Interim Head, until she is ready to take over the reigns fully again. I will, of course, keep you posted with any further updates.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend,

With best wishes,

*Mr Comer, Interim Headteacher*



## Attendance

Our whole school attendance for this week is **97.2%**. This is above our target of 96%. Well done everyone!

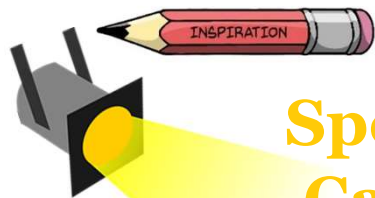
## Manland Value Award



This week's recipient of the Manland Value Award is Tom from Year 2! Since the beginning of term, Tom has been an inspiration to all of his classmates. From the moment he enters the classroom, to the moment he leaves at the end of the day, Tom ensures that he is always on task and aspiring to be the best learner he can.

Tom also takes responsibility for his own learning and endeavours to share his understanding with those around him. Tom should be so proud of this fantastic start to the year and I look forward to seeing how his positive attitude to learning continues.



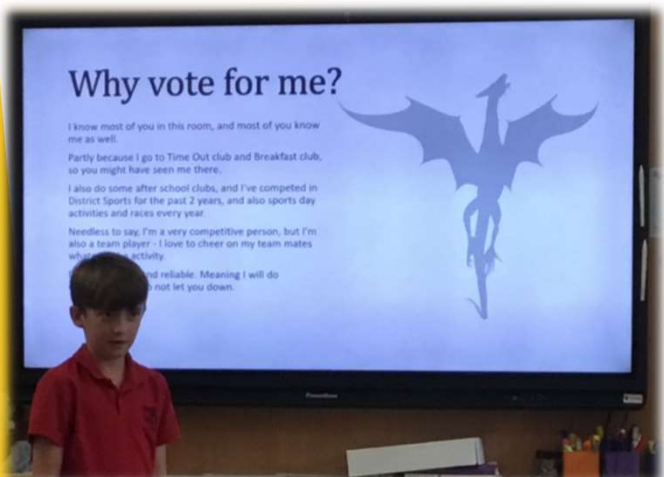
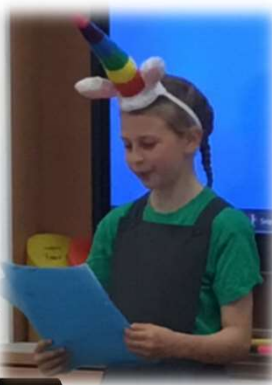


# Spotlight on House Captain Elections



Democracy was in action this week! After listening to speeches from all prospective candidates, children took part in a private ballot to vote for their House Captains!

Well done to all of the Year 6 pupils who took part. It takes a great deal of courage to put yourself forward for a role, and we are incredibly proud of each and everyone one of you!







Please follow us on X (formerly known as Twitter) @ManlandPrimary to keep up to date with what is going on in school.

Our tweets will help you gain an understanding of the children's experiences and learning across all of the subjects in our curriculum. We hope you enjoy sharing the children's learning with us.

## Safeguarding

This week, the children had a special assembly run by Mr Brittin on the topic of online safety.

Mr Brittin explained to the children how important it was to keep safe whilst online.

CEOP can help children stay safe online and prevent them from harmful abuse. If anybody acts inappropriately towards a child or young person online, it can be reported using the Child Exploitation and Online Protection Command (CEOP) button. <https://www.ceop.police.uk/Safety-Centre/>



## Reception 2024

We would like to get an idea of sibling numbers for our September 2024 Reception intake. If you have a sibling who is hoping to join us in September 2024, we should be grateful if you could email us on [admin@manland.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@manland.herts.sch.uk).  
Thank you!

## Reception 2024 Open Events

We will be holding three open events for the September 2024 intake. These will take place on **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November, Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2023 and Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2023.**

If you have a child that is due to start Reception next September and would like to come along, please feel free to join us at one of the events. A sign up link is available on the school website.



## Sporting News

The Year 5&6 girls had their first round of football matches against other local schools on Tuesday this week.

The team had three tough games against The Grove, Wood End and High Beeches school. They all worked incredibly hard and got stronger and more confident as the games went on. Despite their hard work not being rewarded with a win, they should all be very proud of themselves and their performance.

Well done to Sienna, Elouise, Annabelle, Maia, Rae, Gabrielle, Cora, Tay and Aimee!

## Friends of Manland: Manland Dad's charity bike ride

5 brave Manland Dads are cycling 100km on mountain bikes to Brighton this Saturday! They have set up a Just Giving page (see link below) to try and raise some much needed money for the school:

[https://www.justgiving.com/page/richard-booth-1694896429499?utm\\_campaign=lc\\_frp\\_share\\_transaction\\_transactional\\_page\\_launched--charity&utm\\_content=d66c1c30-cob4-4e8d-bc28-21b2ceba260f&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_source=postoffice&utm\\_term=1694896877315](https://www.justgiving.com/page/richard-booth-1694896429499?utm_campaign=lc_frp_share_transaction_transactional_page_launched--charity&utm_content=d66c1c30-cob4-4e8d-bc28-21b2ceba260f&utm_medium=email&utm_source=postoffice&utm_term=1694896877315)

A huge good luck, and thank you, to Kush, Tom, Jack, Joe (a former Manland dad) and Richard, who will all be taking part. We hope the weather is kind to you!

If you are able to, please show your support for the Manland Dads, by donating using the Just Giving link above.



## Swimming

Year 3 swimming starts on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2023. **Please ensure your child has a full swimming kit every Thursday.** Children who do not bring their kit will not be able to take part in swimming that week.

A big thank you to parents/carers who have volunteered to accompany the swimmers! Please ensure you have provided the office with completed safeguarding forms – unfortunately you are not able to accompany the children without the necessary safeguarding forms in place.

