



Manland Primary School Newsletter

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Friday 9th February 2024



Diary Dates

Date	Event
Tuesday 13 th February 2024	Year 6 Parent SATS meeting at 9.00am
Wednesday 14 th February 2024	Year 2 class assembly at 9am
Thursday 15 th February 2024	Year 2 trip to Bletchley Park
Thursday 15 th February 2024	SEND Coffee morning at 9am – all welcome. Please sign in at the office.
Friday 16 th February 2024	House Learning Day
Week commencing 19 th February 2024	Half term

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a wet and blustery week but this has not dampened our spirits!

Year 6 were busy with Mock SATs this week. Mocks are an important way for children to start learning about exam conditions and Year 6 dealt with the week tremendously well. Well done Year 6!

Our sporting teams have also been in action recently in a wide array of sports! We are always incredibly proud of the pupils who represent Manland in inter-school events. Further details can be found later in the newsletter, but I want to congratulate and thank everyone who took part in events this week.

Today, our Year 4 class were in London, visiting the Tate Modern as part of their art learning. We cannot wait to hear all about your trip. We will share all the details in next week's newsletter.

Mrs. Wicks, Headteacher

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Attendance

Our whole school attendance for this week is **96%**.



Manland Values Award

This week's recipient of the Manland Values Award is Lottie from Reception!

Lottie shows our Manland values every day. She has high aspirations in all her work, and has made amazing progress in her writing. Her homework is exemplary. She always approaches tasks in a creative way and has "wow"ed the class with an impressive story map and some fabulous colour mixing.

Lottie always takes responsibility for herself and her learning, and ever offers to help others with tidying. Lottie, you are an inspiration!



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Spotlight on History

Year 3 recently went back in time to experience a day of fun, learning and understanding of what life was like in ancient Egypt. They looked at the culture, clothing, makeup, food, dancing, music, play and games of ancient Egypt. They also learnt about the religion, Gods and Goddesses, together with ancient Egyptians views on the afterlife. Year 3 also learnt how to translate Hieroglyphics – the day really brought all Year 3's history learning to life!



"We ate some bread which the Ancient Egyptians used to eat for breakfast"



"My favourite part of the day was being wrapped up like a Mummy from Ancient Egypt!"





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Spotlight on PE



Cross County News

Congratulations to our Year 5 and 6 cross country teams who represented Manland at the Hertfordshire Schools Cross Country Championship on Saturday. All the children ran very well on an undulating course. It was a very tight course through lots of woodland.

Well done to Ernie, Vincent, Henry B, April, Aimee, Maia, George G, William, Charlie and Cora. A special mention to Ernie in year 6 who came 9th! What a fantastic achievement!



A big thank you to **Mrs Winfield** who trained the Manland cross country team and attended the event – we are so grateful for all your knowledge and expertise!

Tag Rugby News

On Tuesday 10 children attended Harpenden Rugby Club for the Harpenden Schools Tag Rugby tournament. The children played 6 games against different schools within their group. They all worked really hard in every game and enjoyed a great afternoon of rugby. Some great attacking and defending play resulting in some excellent tries made. Well done to everyone involved.

Netball News

Last Thursday the girls A team had their first netball match against Beech Hyde School. All the girls worked so hard and did well in what was a very close game. Unfortunately, the girls lost 5-3 after conceding a couple of late goals. They are looking forward to their next league game next week.



Football News

The boys A team has their first football match against The Lea. The boys played a great game displaying some excellent passing and teamwork. A very close game where they were unlucky to concede in the final 10 seconds of the game giving The Lea the win! On to the next game next week!



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Time Out are Recruiting!

Time Out Club is an independently run charity that provides wrap-around care at Manland.

Time Out are looking for a 1:1 SEND Playworker to provide quality play-care on a 1:1 basis for a child with SEN within the framework of the club's policies and procedures.

The role of the 1 to 1 SEND Playworker is to work with one specific child to ensure that they are happy, comfortable and safe at Time Out Club. You will create a safe, fun and welcoming environment for the specific child you are working with, as well as for all children who attend Time Out Club and their parents/ carers, delivering the highest standards of care.

The 1 to 1 SEND Playworker will assist in the creation and maintenance of a safe culture for all children in line with Safeguarding, Health and Safety and Equalities policies and procedures.



TIME OUT
AFTERSCHOOL CLUB

Registered Charity Number 1172436

Initial hours are **Monday mornings, 7.30am – 8.40am, term time only**. These hours may increase if 1 to 1 support is needed for additional sessions.

(Club operating hours are Breakfast Club, Monday to Friday, 7.30-8.40am and Afterschool Club, Monday to Thursday 3.15-6.15pm, and Friday 3.15-5.15pm. Term Time Only).

For more details, or to apply for the job, please visit:

https://www.teachinherts.com/find-a-job/view,11-sen-playworker_91059.htm

Webinar: Autism in Schools

Herts Parent Carers would like to invite parents/carers to a webinar showcasing the outcomes of the Autism in Schools project, undertaken alongside the NHS, ISL and Herts County Council.

Hear from representatives from Autism Hertfordshire, Families in Focus, Mind Hertfordshire, ADD-vance, Space and many more!

The webinar is taking place on: **Wednesday 13th March 2024 - 10.00am-12.30pm**

Further details can be found attachment to the newsletter, or please feel free to sign up via:

HPCI Parent Carer Webinar Registration

**Herts
Parent
Carer InVolve**
www.hertsparentcarers.org.uk



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**SAFETY
FIRST**

Road Safety – Pupils who walk to school

Unfortunately, we have received repeated reports of Manland pupils not being safe whilst walking to and from school, and on the pathway in to school.

Pupils have been seen running across Ox Lane and Sauncey Avenue without looking, running across busy driveways and pushing past other people on the pavement, including small children. Pupils have also pushed past other families to get to the front of the pathway queue for the gate opening at 8.40am – please can we remind everyone to queue on the pathway and never to push to get to the front. If you witness this happening, please let us know, and, if possible, provide a description of the children so we can talk with them.

We would like to remind all parents that it is the responsibility of parents and carers to ensure their child gets to and from school safely. As a school, we regularly promote road safety and respect to other pedestrians. If your child walks to school by themselves, we would appreciate it if you could talk with your children about road safety and being considerate to others.

Further information can be found here: <https://www.roadwise.co.uk/schools/using-the-road/green-cross-code/>



Reading Corner

This is Manland's virtual Book Corner! Whilst re-visiting loved books together is always invaluable, you might want to peruse the Book Trust's recommendations to discover new authors and stories.

Here is the recommended list for February 2024:

<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/news-and-features/features/2024/february/#!?q=&sortOption=MostRecent&pageNo=1>



A reminder membership of Harpenden Library is completely free. Harpenden Library is located at 27 High Street, Harpenden, AL5 2RU.

You can also do a whole range of activities online, including joining, browse their catalogue online and reserving books:

<https://herts.spydus.co.uk/cgi-bin/spydus.exe/MSGTRN/WPAC/HOME>