



Manor Field Infant and Nursery School - Newsletter Friday 18th January 2019

Our Core Value this half term is—Communicate

Open Afternoon

Our apologies for the error on last week's newsletter, the Open Afternoon is on **Tuesday 22nd January 2019**, between 3.00pm and 3.30pm. This is an opportunity for you and members of your family and friends to come into school to celebrate the work that the children have been doing. We hope to see you then.

Parent reading sessions - Year 1

Year 1 parents are invited to join their children in the classroom to read together on Monday afternoons at 2.40pm. The sessions will finish at 2.55pm, at which time parents will be asked to move onto the playground, whilst we dismiss all of the children as usual at 3pm. If you wish to attend, please come to the school office just before 2.40pm. The sessions will run on the following Mondays: 21st January, 28th January, 4th February, 11th February.

We will be holding sessions for Reception and Year 2 parents later in the academic year.

Chinese New Year Special Lunch

Last week we sent out a letter and order slip for the special lunch Norse are providing on Tuesday 5th February to celebrate Chinese New Year. Please return any slips as soon as possible and note that there will not be any alternatives on this day. If your child is not having the special lunch, please provide them with a home packed lunch.

Musical Equipment

The PTA have kindly purchased some outdoor musical instruments that are in place on the playground near the Year 2 block. Everyone has really enjoyed using these this week. We have reminded the children about sensible play with our new equipment, before, during and after school.

Dates for your Diary:

Parent Reading Sessions; Year 1; 2.40pm

First session:

Monday 21st January

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Family Yoga Club starts

Open Afternoon

Tuesday 22nd January 3.00pm-3.30pm

PTA Meeting

Wednesday 23rd January at 3.15pm

PTA Cake Stall

Conker Class; Friday 25th January

Chinese New Year Lunch

Tuesday 5th February





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Conker Class Cake Stall

Conker Class will be holding their cake stall on Friday 25th January. Please bring in your cake stall donations on the day and put on the table in the entrance hall. Thank you.

Family Yoga Club

As you will have seen on last week's newsletter, Family Yoga will be starting on Monday 21st January from 3.30pm-4.15pm. We have space for 12 family groups, from all year groups (only one adult per family group please) and younger siblings may also attend. **Please contact the office to sign up.** Children must have an adult with them in order to attend.

Nursery and Reception Snack Monies

A voluntary contribution of £3.00 is due for this half term for children in Nursery and Reception please. This enables fruit already provided to be supplemented with other snacks e.g. cheese and biscuits.

Norse Kid Inventors' Day Competition

Last term the children were asked to invent a menu for Norse (our caterers) and we were delighted that four of our children were chosen by Norse as runners up; Charlie, Lucie, Marley and Dexter. Well done and congratulations children!

Uniform

We have received notification from Tesco that their online F&F Tesco Uniform service is ending on 12 February 2019. After this date you will still be able to order logo uniform directly from their supplier through myclothing.com. There is currently a link to this website via Tesco Uniform. We also continue to use Stevensons in Norwich as our uniform supplier. https://www.stevensons.co.uk

Dates for your diary:

Birthday Collective Worship for Reception, Year 1 & 2

On Friday 25th January at 1.15pm in the school hall we will be celebrating birthdays that fall between 20th - 26th

Head Teachers Awards

Acorn; Luke— For his excellent suggestions in our philosophy sessions

Conker; Mollie-For her excellent independent writing all about penguins

Hawthorn; Issac– Making improvements and correcting his work

Walnut; Eleanor- For excellent reading progress

Beech; Francesca– for her wonderful Big Write

Chestnut; Karlina– For excellent neat writing





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Kuk Sool Won Martial Arts — Lil Dragons

Lil Dragons is available after school on Wednesday afternoons from 3.15pm-4.00pm for ages 4-7 years. For more information, please contact Andy Gillingwater on 07775 890359, andygillingwater@msn.com or www.kuksoolwon-gillingwater.org.

Philosophy for Children

Philosophy for children is a teaching approach with aims to develop and foster children's critical thinking skills in a caring and supportive way. Children take part in class discussions and activities which help them to express themselves, build vocabulary and treat others who have different opinions to them with respect. All staff have recently taken part in training to help us develop this as a whole school focus. We would like it if parents and carers could also get involved. Every Friday, we will publish on our newsletter a philosophy based question. Please talk about this over the weekend with your child; we will then discuss the questions as a whole school during Collective Worship each Monday.

This week, our philosophy question is:

Is life better when you are a child, or is it better when you are a grown up?

We look forward to hearing the children's ideas!