

We hope you have a lovely half term, and we will see you back at school on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June.



Create, Adapt and Learn Together  
Manchester Road Primary Academy

## NEWSLETTER 24<sup>TH</sup> MAY

### ATTENDANCE 20/05/24 – 24/05/24

CLASS	SCHOOL ATTENDANCE	LATES
Bumblebee	90.2%	0 😊
Clover bee	90.3%	7
Honeybee	85.6%	7
1A	94.7%	2
1B	90.2%	1
2A	98.8%	8
2B	92.2%	1
3A	98.4%	4
3B	94.1%	11
4A	94.2%	6
4B	94.2%	2
5A	92.9%	5
5B	95.8%	10
6A	98.6%	6
6B	78.2%	5

97% and above Excellent
95% to 96% Attendance is slipping and will be closely monitored
95% or below Poor (high numbers of children are persistently absent)

### THE SCHOOL DAY

8.35 – 8.50am – Arrive on the school playground

8.40am – Pupils enter school

8.55am – Gates shut & registration

11.45am – KS1 Lunch

11.50am – KS2 Lunch

12.35pm – Afternoon session begins KS1

1.05pm – Afternoon session begins KS2

3.15/3.20pm – End

### LATENESS THIS WEEK

Day	Lates
Monday	14
Tuesday	10
Wednesday	19
Thursday	15
Friday	17
Total Lates This Week	75

Lateness has a massive impact on children's learning. Not only on the children that are late, but also on the children in the classes being disrupted. Please ensure your child arrives at school on time each day.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Event
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Llandudno
Wednesday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Unavoidable Closure due to Election

### CLASS ASSEMBLIES

Parents are welcome to come and watch their child's assembly on the following dates.

Class	Date	Time
4B Miss Leah	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> June	9am
1A Miss Boardman	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> June	2.30pm
2B Mrs Hunter	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	2.40pm
3B Ms Hepburn	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> July	9am

**Please note: these dates could potentially change. If they do, we will inform you.**

# STAR OF THE WEEK

CLASS	STAR
HONEY BEE	Luca for his amazing attempts at independent writing this week. Hope for fabulous maths work and taking on extra challenges
BUMBLE BEE	Shabach for Bumblebees for having a super return to our school.
1A	Synaa for wonderful resilience when writing our recount this week!
1B	Imogen for her positive attitude towards learning and super effort in writing activities especially
2A	Scarlett for amazing focus and managing her distractions,
3B	Anaya for super listening and collaboration and generally trying really hard in all areas of learning this week.
4A	Delia for amazing reciprocity; being a supportive and helpful learning partner!
5A	Hans for being a resilient learner, settling in well and his recent English writing piece was great!
5B	Esther for her commitment to learning.
6A	Bella for producing some amazing writing that is always a pleasure to read.
6B	Melodie for her effort with her diary entry and her gratitude for receiving her part in the play.
THE HIVE	Gedeon for super sentences and for helping his classmates with his ideas for writing

**What Parents & Carers Need to Know about TIKTOK**

**AGE RESTRICTION 13+** (certain features are restricted to over-18s only)

TIKTOK is a free social media platform that lets users create, share and watch short videos ranging anywhere from 15 seconds to 10 minutes in duration. The app gained notoriety for its viral dances, trends and celebrity comes and can be a creative, fun platform for users to enjoy. Now available in 175 languages, it has more than a billion active users worldwide (as of spring 2022) and is most popular with the under-18 age bracket. In fact, a 2022 Ofcom report found TIKTOK to be the most-used social media platform for posting content, particularly among young people aged 12 to 17.

**WHAT ARE THE RISKS?**

- AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT**  
While TIKTOK's algorithm of what they displays videos from users' personalised feeds, it's not in a state of child protection on their previously watched content. These videos are often "For You" feed will therefore be highly targeted and personal, but it could potentially surface something unsuitable for a child's age. It's not clear if TIKTOK has a legal or appropriate content, but the recent volume of reports mean they aren't necessarily monitored and vetted.
- DANGEROUS CHALLENGES**  
Due to TIKTOK's immense popularity, some young people have imitated or even died by video challenges or stunts posted on the app. One extreme example was the "blackout" trend, which encouraged users to hold their breath until they passed out from a lack of oxygen. It led to two fatalities and lawsuits against TIKTOK over the tragic deaths of their children.
- CONTACT WITH STRANGERS**  
With around 1.1 billion users globally, the potential for contact from strangers on TIKTOK is high – especially as accounts created by teenagers (or young people using a false date of birth) are not to be guided by law. This not only means that someone's profile is visible to anyone else on the app, it also lets their videos be suggested to others and enables anyone to comment on them or download them.
- IN-APP SPENDING**  
TIKTOK is free, but users have the option to buy TIKTOK coins, which can be used to purchase virtual gifts in the app. These gifts are then sent to other users for videos they've liked or liked (including their monetary value) to other users for videos they've liked or liked. TIKTOK's policy is to not allow users to spend more than £2.50 per week on the app, whereas 53 minutes on YouTube. The commission related to ads can interfere with their sleep patterns – especially with a take bid.
- ADDICTIVE NATURE**  
Like all social networking platforms, TIKTOK can be addictive in nature. This is because the app uses an algorithm to show that young people are watching. In the UK, children with TIKTOK spend an average of 37 minutes per day on the app, whereas 53 minutes on YouTube. The commission related to ads can interfere with their sleep patterns – especially with a take bid.
- TIKTOK NOW**  
Introduced in late 2022, the "TIKTOK Now" feature lets users post a daily video or photo. It's meant to be a more casual way of sharing content, but it's also a way of sharing content that can be addictive. The commission related to ads can interfere with their sleep patterns – especially with a take bid.

**Advice for Parents & Carers**

- ENABLE FAMILY PAIRING**  
Family Pairing allows parents to link their TIKTOK account with their child's and control their settings remotely. Parents can, for example, turn on Restricted Mode (reducing the chance of a child seeing inappropriate content), set screen time limits, and manage their child's ability to send messages (and to whom). Children can't alter these settings without parental approval.
- MAKE ACCOUNTS PRIVATE**  
Although under-18s will have their TIKTOK account set to private by default, bypassing this setting is relatively easy. However, parents have the ability to manually set their child's account to private – meaning that their videos won't be visible to strangers and they won't be able to exchange messages with people who aren't on their Friends list.
- LIMIT IN-APP SPENDING**  
If your child is using an iPhone or Android device to access TIKTOK, you can alter the settings to prevent them from making in-app purchases. It's recommended that you enable this feature, as it's quite easy for a young person – without realising what they're doing – to spend a significant amount of real money buying TIKTOK coins so they can unlock more features of the app.
- DISCUSS THE DANGERS**  
If your child wants to use TIKTOK and you're happy for them to do so, it's crucial to talk about the potential risks in this type of app. For example, ensure they know to share only identifying personal information – and that they realise they could be exposed to inappropriate content. Their lack of literacy about what they see on TIKTOK can help children become generally more social media savvy.
- READ THE SIGNS**  
If you're concerned that your child might be spending too much time on TIKTOK, or that they've been emotionally affected by something inappropriate or upsetting they've seen, it's important to know how to spot the possible signs. Increased irritability and a lack of concentration are potential red flags, as are failing to complete homework or regularly not eating meals.

**Meet Our Expert**  
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## UNAVOIDABLE CLOSURE

Unfortunately, school will be closed on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July due the election taking place.



**The Ambery 2/230th Manchester Scout Group**

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The Ambery 2/230th Manchester Scout group currently have places available for Beavers aged 5 years 9 months - 8 years old, Cubs aged 8-10 and also scouts aged 10-14

We are based at the Scout Hut on Seymour road in Clayton on Thursdays 6:15-7:30pm for £1 per child this include a drink and biscuit

## YEAR 6

We sent out a message on 16<sup>th</sup> April asking parents if they would like to send in a photograph of their child so we can use them during the leaver's assembly. If you would like to send in a picture, can this please be done asap and sent to [office@mrpa.org.uk](mailto:office@mrpa.org.uk).

Tickets are now available for the Year 6 Production. There are a limited number per show of 80 for fire regulations. Can you please email [office@mrpa.org.uk](mailto:office@mrpa.org.uk) including which show you would like to attend, and the number of tickets required. We can only offer two tickets per child and one show first, but if there are tickets left once everyone has had chance to purchase them, we will offer you the opportunity to purchase more. We will let you know when this happens.

We will be holding an assembly and BBQ in school on the last day of term, which is Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July. In 2022 we held this at 4.30pm after the rest of the children had gone home and it worked really well so we are going to do the same again. We expect this to finish at around 6pm. Tickets for the BBQ are £2 and will go on sale after the half term. Please email [office@mrpa.org.uk](mailto:office@mrpa.org.uk) if you would like to attend.

## DIARY DATES

DATE	EVENT	TIME AND COMMENTS
1.7.24	Transition session whole school	9-10am
2.7.24	Transition session whole school	9-10am
9.7.24	Transition session whole school	9-10am
15.7.24	Reports out to parents	
16.7.24	Transition session whole school	9-10am
18.7.24	Parents Drop in	3.30-5.30pm
22.7.24	Y6 Dress Rehearsal for KS2	1.30pm
23.7.24	Y6 Performance for parents	1.30pm and 5pm
24.7.24	Gold Card Assembly for children	9.15-10am
24.7.24	Y6 performance for EY/KS1	2pm
25.7.24	Bouncy Castle for House Point Winners	9am-11.30am
25.7.24	Y6 performance for parents	1.30pm and 5pm
26.7.24	EY graduation for parents	9.15-9.45am
26.7.24	Y6 Graduation for parents and pupils	4.30-6pm

# DINNER MENU

Here is the dinner menu for the week we return after half term.



WEEK 1	GREEN MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main Meal	Pizza Wrap served with Potato Wedges <b>(GLUTEN, MILK, SO2)</b>	Sausage & Creamy Mash Potato with Gravy <b>(GLUTEN, SO2)</b>	Roast Turkey, Stuffing, Roast Pots, & Gravy <b>(GLUTEN, SO2)</b>	Chicken Pizza Style Pasta & Garlic Bread <b>(GLUTEN, CELERY, EGGS, MILK, SOYA)</b>	Fish Cake or Salmon Fish Cake & Chips <b>(GLUTEN, FISH)</b>
Vegetarian Main Course	Southern Style Vegetarian Burger served with Potato Wedges <b>(GLUTEN, EGGS, MILK, SESAME, SO2)</b>	Sweet Potato & Vegetable Pie with Gravy <b>(GLUTEN)</b>	Linda McCartney Sausage, Stuffing, Roast Potatoes & Gravy <b>(GLUTEN, SOYA, SO2)</b>	Spanish Vegetable One Pot <b>(MILK, EGG, SO2)</b>	Homemade Cheese Omelette & Chips <b>(EGGS, MILK, SOYA)</b>
Vegetables	Baked Beans & Sweetcorn	Savoy Cabbage & Mashed Swede	Broccoli & Diced Carrots	Cauliflower & Broccoli	Sweetcorn & Baked Beans
Dessert	Chocolate Vanilla Biscuit <b>(GLUTEN, MILK, SOYA)</b> Or Fruit Pot	Orange Shortbread <b>(GLUTEN, SOYA)</b> Or Fruit Kebabs	Ice Cream <b>(MILK)</b> Or Fruit Boat	Strawberry Flapjack <b>(GLUTEN)</b> Or Fruit Pot	Viennese Whirls <b>(GLUTEN, SOYA)</b> Or Fruit boat
Selector 1	Pasta Kitchen <b>(GLUTEN)</b>	Pasta Kitchen <b>(GLUTEN)</b>	Pasta Kitchen <b>(GLUTEN)</b>	Pasta Kitchen <b>(GLUTEN)</b>	Pasta Kitchen <b>(GLUTEN)</b>
Grab 'n' Go	Cheese Layered Pasta Salad <b>(CHEESE, EGG, MILK)</b>		Tomato and Basil Layered Salad <b>(GLUTEN, MILK)</b>		Tuna Mayonnaise Layered Pasta Pot <b>(GLUTEN, FISH, EGG)</b>

Fresh Baked Jacket Potato with Choice of fillings  
Cheese **(Milk)** Tuna **(Eggs, Fish)** Beans available daily

Pick 'n' Mix Sandwich  
Sandwich **(Wheat, Soya)**  
Crudites Pot  
Dessert  
**(See daily allergen matrix)**  
available daily

Fresh Bread **(Wheat, Soya)**  
Cheese & Crackers **(Milk, Gluten)**  
Salad Selection, Fresh Fruit and Yoghurts **(Milk)**  
available daily

