



Create, Adapt and Learn Together
Manchester Road Primary Academy

NEWSLETTER 27TH JANUARY

ATTENDANCE 23/01/23 – 27/01/23

CLASS	SCHOOL ATTENDANCE	LATES
Owls	93.5%	5
Hedgehogs	96.7%	2
Rabbits	95%	1
1A	94.7%	3
1B	96.3%	2
2A	93.5%	11
2B	89.4%	5
3A	91.3%	1
3B	96.3%	3
4A	92.3%	9
4B	90.9%	6
5A	92.4%	12
5B	92%	6
6A	88.3%	10
6B	90.1%	11

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.

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 – 8.55am - Arrive on the school playground
8.40am - Pupils enter school
8.55am - Registration
11.45am - Lunch KS1
11.50am - Lunch KS2
12.35pm - Afternoon session begins KS1
1.05pm - Afternoon session begins KS2
3.15/3.20pm - End of school day.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Half Term – Monday 20th February – Friday 24th February

CLASS ASSEMBLIES

Class assemblies begin at 9am. We hope you can make them.

- 5A (Miss Huelin) – Friday 3rd February
- 6A (Miss Andrew) – Friday 10th February
- Rabbits (Miss Thomson) – Friday 3rd March
- 2A (Miss Lewis) – Friday 10th March
- 1B (Mrs Simpson) – Friday 17th March
- 3B (Miss Farrington) – Friday 24th March

UPCOMING TRIPS/WORKSHOPS

- Monday 30th January: Year 2 Great Fire of London House Burning
- Wednesday 8th February: Year 1 Fairfield Moravian Church
- Thursday 16th March: Year 3 Quarry Bank Mill
- Tuesday 21st March: EY Blackpool Zoo
- Thursday 23rd March: Year 1 Manchester Airport Runway Visitor Park
- Monday 27th March: Year 5 Viking Workshop
- Thursday 20th April: Year 4 Chester
- Thursday 22nd June: Year 4 Llandudno
- Tuesday 27th June: EY Formby Beach
- Wednesday 18th October – Friday 20th October 2023: Robin Wood (Current Year 5)

NEW CLUBS

Staff	Club	Day	Time	Availability	Year Groups
Mrs Slater/Miss Howson	Yoga	Monday	3.20-4pm	FULL	Years 1 & 2
Miss Farrington	Board Games	Monday	3.20-4pm	7 places left	Years 3 & 4
Miss McDougall	French	Monday	3.20-4pm	10 places left	Years 5 & 6
Miss Andrew	Recorders	Monday	Lunch		KS2
Mr Smith	Dodge Ball £12 full term	Tuesday	3.30-4.15	N/A	Years 4,5 & 6
Miss Carney	Expression Club	Tuesday	3.20-4pm	FULL	Allocated Children
Miss Lawton	Lego	Tuesday	3.20-4pm	9 places left	Years 4 & 5
Miss Andrew/Mr Parkes	Choir	Tuesday	3.20-4pm	8 places left	KS2
Mr Smith	Athletics £12 full term	Wednesday	3.30-4.15	N/A	Years 1-6
Miss Evans/Mrs Pearson	Reading	Wednesday	Lunch		KS2
Miss Leah	Sketch Club	Wednesday	Lunch		KS2
Mr Smith	Football £12 full term	Thursday	3.30-4.15	FULL	Years 1-6
Mrs Lanigan/Mrs Taylor	Sign	Thursday	3.20-4pm	3 places left	Years 2 & 3
Mrs Sheridan/Miss Thompson	Art & Craft	Thursday	3.20-4pm	FULL	EY & Year 1
Mrs Frost	STEM	Thursday	3.20-4pm	FULL	Years 3 & 4
Mrs Brennan/Mr Belfield	Gardening Club	TBC	Lunch		KS2

STAR OF THE WEEK

Owls	Cass
Hedgehogs	Davie for reflectiveness with super writing and amazing detailed drawings.
Rabbits	Darcey for showing resilience in learning new math skills.
1A	Ava for resilience in English big write.
1B	Elora for always showing all our learning behaviours.
2A	Sophia for improving her resilience and independence.
2B	
3A	Daisy for consistently showing the 3Ps and dedication to her learning.
3B	Harper for his resilience in all lessons and effort in behaviour.
4A	
4B	Bella for amazing attitude towards her learning.
5A	Benjamin for working so hard and contributing to class discussions.
5B	Abdullah for his fantastic effort in his learning this week.
6A	Braedon for great resilience in Maths and taking pride in presentation.
6B	Cherish for showing increased confidence in her Maths.
The Hive	Blaise for excellent Maths skills.

NEU STRIKE ACTION

On the 1st February, the following classes at Manchester Road will be OPEN:

- ❖ Little Owls (Nursery)
- ❖ Rabbits (Reception)
- ❖ Year 1B
- ❖ Year 2A
- ❖ Year 4B
- ❖ Year 5A & B
- ❖ Year 6B

The year 3 trip to Quarry Bank Mill will still be going ahead even though it is on a strike day.

A packed lunch will be provided for those entitled to free school meals in classes that will not be in school.

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TERM DATES - 2023/2024

TERM/HOLIDAY	FIRST DAY	LAST DAY
AUTUMN 1	Monday 1 st September 2023	Friday 20 th October 2023
HALF TERM HOLIDAY	Monday 23 rd October 2023	Friday 27 th October 2023
AUTUMN 2	Monday 30 th October 2023	Tuesday 19 th December 2023
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY	Wednesday 20 th December 2023	Monday 1 st January 2024
SPRING 1	Wednesday 3 rd January 2024	Friday 9 th February 2024
SPRING HALF TERM HOLIDAY	Monday 12 February 2024	Friday 16 th February 2024
SPRING 2	Monday 19 th February 2024	Thursday 28 th March 2024
EASTER HOLIDAY	Friday 29 th March 2024	Friday 12 th April 2024
SUMMER 1	Monday 15 th April 2024	Friday 24 th May 2024
SUMMER HALF TERM HOLIDAY	Monday 27 th May 2024	Friday 7 th June 2024
SUMMER 2	Tuesday 11 th June 2024	Friday 26 th July 2024

STAFF TRAINING DAYS

Monday 1st September 2023

Tuesday 2nd September 2023

Tuesday 2nd January 2024

Monday 10th June 2024

BANK HOLIDAY 2024

1st January – New Year's Day

29th March – Good Friday

1st April – Easter Monday

6th May – Early May Bank Holiday

27th May – Spring Bank Holiday

LOCAL ELECTIONS / GENERAL ELECTION (STAFF TRAINING DAY)

TBC

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about HOW TO COMBAT ONLINE BULLYING



Defined as "ongoing hurtful behaviour towards someone online", cyber-bullying makes its victims feel upset, uncomfortable and unsafe. In the digital world, it has numerous forms – such as hurtful comments on a person's posts or profile; deliberately leaving them out of group chats; sharing embarrassing images or videos of someone; or spreading gossip about them. Cyber-bullying can severely impact a young person's mental health... so, in support of Anti-Bullying Week, we've provided a list of tips to help trusted adults know what to look for and how to respond to it.

1. GET CONNECTED

Playing online games together with your child or connecting with them on social media (providing they're old enough) is not only fun but also an excellent way of establishing some common ground to discuss things you've both seen or done online – as well as keeping an eye on who your child is communicating with in the digital world.

2. KEEP TALKING

Regular chats with young people about their online lives are good practice in general, but they can also be an excellent refresher to help prevent cyber-bullying situations. Topics you might want to revisit include why it's important to only connect online with people you know and trust, and why passwords should always remain secret (even from our best friends).

3. STAY VIGILANT

Observe your child while they're using technology and just after they've used it. Are they acting normally, or out of character? Possible signs of a problem may include seeming quiet or withdrawn, jittery or anxious, angry or repeatedly checking their phone. When you feel it's the right time, you may want to check in with them to see if everything is OK.

4. MAKE YOURSELF AVAILABLE

If an online bullying incident does occur, it may take a while before your child is ready to open up about what happened. Just gently remind them that you always come to you with any problems – and that they won't be in trouble. You might also suggest a trusted family member they could turn to, in case they feel too embarrassed to tell you directly.

5. BE PREPARED TO LISTEN

When conversations about online bullying do take place, they're likely to be difficult, emotional and upsetting for both you and your child. Actively listen to your child while they're bringing you up to speed, and try not to show any judgement or criticism – even if they haven't dealt with the situation in exactly the way you would have hoped.

FURTHER SUPPORT AND ADVICE

If you or your child need additional help with an online bullying issue, here are some specialist organisations that you could reach out to.

Childline: talk to a trained counsellor on 0800 111 or online at www.childline.org.uk/get-support/

National Bullying Helpline: counsellors are available on 0845 225 5757 or by visiting www.nationalbullyinghelpline.co.uk/cyberbullying.html

The NSPCC: the children's charity has a guide to the signs of bullying at www.nspcc.org.uk/what-to-do-if-child-abuse/types-of-abuse/bullying-and-cyberbullying/ and can be reached on 0800 800 8000

6. EMPOWER YOUR CHILD

Depending on their age, your child might not want a parent "fixing their battles for them". In that case, talk through their options with them (blocking the perpetrator, deleting the app and so on). By allowing your child to choose the path they take, you're putting them in control but are also demonstrating that you're there to support them along the way.

7. REPORT BULLIES ONLINE

Cyber-bullying often takes place through a particular app, social media platform or online game. If this is happening to your child, encourage them to report the offender to the app or game in question – ideally with screenshots to support their complaint. Most games and apps have reporting tools specifically to identify out of line behaviour and protect users.

8. ENCOURAGE EMPATHY

Protecting themselves online is the priority, of course, but young people should also feel empowered to help if they witness other people being victim to cyberbullying. Even if they don't feel confident enough to call someone out on their abusive behaviour online, they can still confidentially report that person to the app or game where the bullying occurred.

9. SEEK EXPERT ADVICE

Victims of online bullying frequently experience feelings of isolation and anxiety, a lack of self-esteem and potentially even thoughts of self-harm or suicide. If you think that an incident of cyber-bullying has affected your child's mental wellbeing, then seek psychological support for them. There are some useful contact details in the central panel below.

10. INVOLVE THE AUTHORITIES

If the nature of any online bullying makes you suspect that your child is genuinely in imminent physical danger – or if there are any signs whatsoever of explicit images being shared as part of the bullying – then you should gather any relevant screenshots as evidence and report the incidents to your local police force.

Meet Our Expert

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