

# NURSERY

**15<sup>th</sup> January 2025:** Closing date for Primary School applications. Ensure you submit your school application on or before this date. Otherwise, you will need to make a late application.



Create, Adapt and Learn Together  
Manchester Road Primary Academy

## NEWSLETTER 13<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

### ATTENDANCE 09/12/24 - 13/12/24

CLASS	SCHOOL ATTENDANCE	LATES
Bumblebee	89.2%	8
Clover bee	90.3%	2
Honeybee	97.8%	4
1A	93.2%	9
1B	94%	1
2A	94.6%	5
2B	97.9%	7
3A	99%	2
3B	99%	4
4A	98.2%	8
4B	100% 😊	6
5A	94.9%	10
5B	99.2%	5
6A	96.9%	5
6B	97%	6

### LATENESS THIS WEEK

Day	Lates
Monday	15
Tuesday	19
Wednesday	17
Thursday	18
Friday	13
<b>Total Lates This Week</b>	<b>82</b>

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)

### EARLY LEAVERS

Day	Early Leavers
Monday	7
Tuesday	5
Wednesday	8
Thursday	3
Friday	3
<b>Total this week</b>	<b>26</b>

### THE SCHOOL DAY

8.35 – 8.50am – Arrive on the school playground

8.40am – Pupils enter school

8.50am – Gates shut & registration

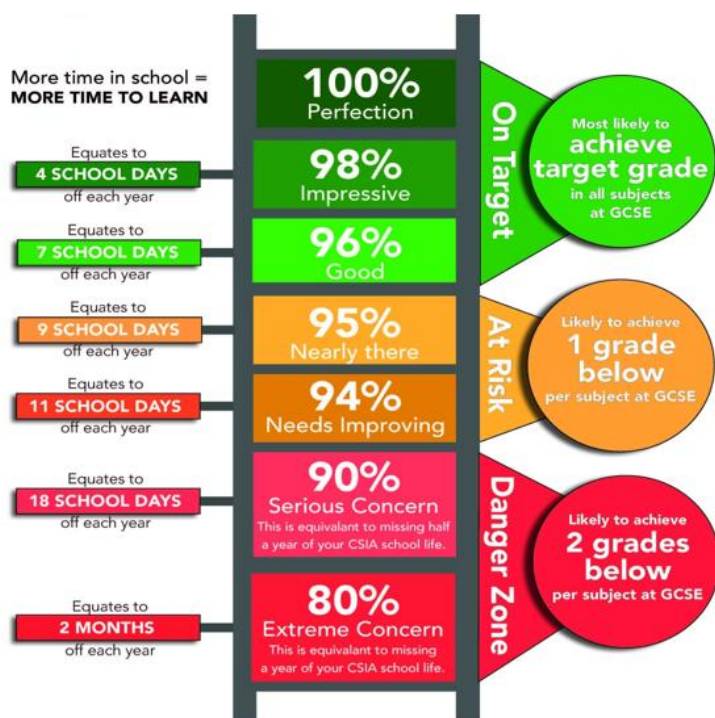
11.45am – KS1 Lunch

11.50am – KS2 Lunch

12.35pm – Afternoon session begins KS1

1.05pm – Afternoon session begins KS2

3.15/3.20pm – End



For every day your child is absent from school **over 6 hours** of instruction time is lost

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Please note, dates could change for class assemblies. If they do, a message will go out to inform of the new details.

Day	Event
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	EY Christmas Performance 9.30 & 2.30
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Christmas Performance 9.30 & 2.30
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Christmas Sing Along 9.15 & 1.30
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> January	4A Class Assembly
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> January	1B Class Assembly
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> January	Individual & Class Pictures
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> January	Bumble Bee Class Assembly
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> January	Clover Bee Class Assembly
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Class Pictures

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

Roblox is one of the most popular video games on the market by 2020. The game's market were claiming that more than half of children in the USA play it. As a parent, it's important to know what your child is doing online. Roblox offers a huge amount of creative freedom. It lets players create their own gaming experiences with the Roblox Studio. It also has custom levels and games, which can then be shared with other players online. Roblox fosters a creative thinking and enjoys a robust online community of fans.

**WHAT ARE THE RISKS?**  
Roblox encourages players to communicate online. This includes a group chat facility. This could expose children to risks such as cyberbullying, inappropriate language, phishing and more. Roblox players can also be exposed to risks in-game such as inappropriate messages in chat, such as generalised messages in chat, such as generalised messages in chat, such as generalised messages in chat.

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**ONLINE DATERS**  
There are also called 'daters' and are quite common in Roblox. An dater is an individual who joins a game with the intention of finding someone to date online – and eventually meet in person. Such as a friend. It's important to know what your child is doing online. Roblox offers a huge amount of creative freedom. It lets players create their own gaming experiences with the Roblox Studio. It also has custom levels and games, which can then be shared with other players online. Roblox fosters a creative thinking and enjoys a robust online community of fans.

**PUBLIC SERVERS**  
Roblox has private or VIP servers which allow people to play exclusively with their friends, but this costs money. Most Roblox players will instead be on public servers that anyone can join. Servers with most games will focus on all kinds of aspects, including direct player interaction. This means that players will get children more at risk of contact from strangers than others.

**IN-APP PURCHASES**  
Roblox is actually free to download and play, but there are in-app purchases in the game, for example, using real money to buy virtual items. Roblox's in-game currency (called 'Robux') can be bought with real money, and some private or VIP servers also have a cost.

**ADVISE FOR PARENTS & CARERS**

**SET PARENTAL CONTROLS**  
Roblox comes with several parental control options, which are explained well on the game's official website. It's essential to ensure the correct date of birth for your child so that Roblox can automatically apply the appropriate restrictions. The game also allows parents and carers to set monthly spending restrictions and monitor their child's account.

**DISABLE PRIVATE MESSAGING**  
Roblox's private messaging function raises the risk of children being contacted by people they may not want to speak with – potentially leading to bullying, harassment, toxicity and scam attempts. The game allows you to disable messages from anyone who hasn't been added as a friend on your child's account.

**PRIVATE SERVERS**  
If your child has some genuine friends to play Roblox online with, paying for a private or VIP server decreases the risk of contact from strangers. Even then, however, some players could invite other people – who might not necessarily be a Roblox fan – into the private server. If your child is a Roblox fan, it's important to talk with them regularly about who they are playing the game with.

**MONITOR SPENDING**  
If they don't understand they're using real money, it's easy for children to accidentally spend a sizeable amount in the game, using parental controls to place limits on their spending will help avoid any nasty financial surprises. Ensuring that you have two-factor authentication on your payment accounts also makes it harder for your child to spend money inadvertently.

**DEALING WITH STRANGERS**  
At some point in their development, your child will need to learn how to deal with strangers online. Show them how to block and report any users who are upsetting them or asking uncomfortable questions. Talking to them about what's OK to discuss – and what they should never tell a stranger online – will help them understand how to communicate with other people online safely.

**Meet Our Expert**  
Clare Gardner (aka @clargardner) has worked as an author and journalist in the gaming industry since 2005, providing expertise with most things related to gaming. She is the author of 'Unusual Gaming and a Curious World' working on Roblox, game journalism projects including game journalism and writing for educational books.

**National Online Safety**  
#WakeUpWednesday

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## STAR OF THE WEEK

CLASS	STAR
BUMBLE BEE	Salah for settling into his new school.
HONEY BEE	Alby for a great attitude to learning and trying very hard in the drawing club.
3B	Sienna for being a fabulous role model and always showing the 3Ps. She always tries her best!
4A	Hareem for consistent effort in standard and presentation of her work and collaborating well with peers.
4B	Lydia for great predictions and making links between her learning.
5A	Sophie for being a positive learner who always tries her best. Miss Jones is so proud of her!
6A	Margaret for always working hard, producing beautiful work and making me smile every day!
6B	Esme for stepping in for someone in the Christmas production and trying really hard in all lessons.
THE HIVE	Louie for fabulous English and grammar.

# DINNER MENU

Here is the dinner menu for next week.



WEEK 2	GREEN MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Main Meal	Cheese Pizza & Potato Wedges (GLUTEN, CELERY, MILK, SOYA, EGG)	Tuna Arrabiata Pasta (GLUTEN, CELERY, FISH)	Sliced Chicken with Mash Potato, Yorkshire Pudding & Gravy (EGG, GLUTEN, MILK, SO2)	Chicken Sausage, New Potato, & Cauliflower Cheese (GLUTEN, MILK, SOYA)	Fish and Chips (GLUTEN, FISH)
Vegetarian Main Course	Spring Vegetable Pasta (GLUTEN, MILK)	Quorn Vegetable Curry & Rice (EGG, MUSTARD, SO2)	Spanish Vegetable Tortilla (EGGS, MILK)	Macaroni Cheese & Garlic Bread (GLUTEN, MILK, MUSTARD, SOYA)	Cheese & Onion Pie and Chips (GLUTEN, EGG, MILK, SOYA)
Vegetables	Beans & Sweetcorn	Savory Cabbage & Baton Carrots	Green Beans & Ring Carrots	Sweetcorn & Carrots	Sweetcorn & Baked Beans
Dessert	Ginger Sponge with Cream (GLUTEN, EGG, MILK, SOYA) Or Fruit Pot	Oat Biscuit (GLUTEN, EGG, MILK, SOYA) Or Fruit Kebabs	Ice Cream (MILK) Or Fruit Boat	Pineapple Upside Down Cake & Custard (GLUTEN, EGG, SO2, SOYA, MILK) Or Fruit Pot	Beetroot Brownie (GLUTEN, EGG, MILK, SOYA) Or Fruit boat
Selector 1	Pasta Kitchen (GLUTEN)	Pasta Kitchen (GLUTEN)	Pasta Kitchen (GLUTEN)	Pasta Kitchen (GLUTEN)	Pasta Kitchen (GLUTEN)
Grab 'n' Go	Cheese Layered Pasta Pot (GLUTEN, EGGS, MILK)		Tomato and Basil Layered Pasta Pot (GLUTEN, MILK)		Tuna Mayonnaise Layered Pasta Pot (GLUTEN, FISH, EGGS)

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

