



# Manor Way Primary Academy

Happy and successful learners

## School News 8th September 2017

### Dear Parents and Carers

A wonderful welcome back to a new school year. We hope you have all enjoyed your summer. The children were very excited to return to school and it has been fabulous to have the school filled again with children's smiles and voices.

The children look super smart in their uniform and we are so proud of the way they have conducted themselves this week. Thank you for all your support with the uniform, PE kit and healthy snacks, it is very much appreciated.

There have been lots of things happening at school during the holidays. We have had a complete new roof on the school hall including new windows to improve ventilation and light. We have also had some walls painted with zingy colours and new desks and chairs to create additional learning spaces. Outside we have had a new fence erected around the playground to ensure that children are safe at all times at school.

Reception and Year 1 have had a lot of new resources to improve play provision and all classes have had improved reading areas. We have also designed new books for children to work in and support them with their learning at school.

This newsletter is to welcome you back and also to share dates and organisation with you straightaway so that you plan for the term ahead. We are sharing the Autumn term dates and events including start times so that you have plenty of notice. All start times will be added next week.

### Reception News

Well done Reception children and Mums and Dads, you have made a fabulous start to school. You have settled really well and all had a very successful first full day today. We are delighted for you to join our family at Manor Way and look forward to sharing your journey over the next few years.



## Welcome to Our New Children

We are very excited to welcome to Manor Way Jide Roberts in year 4, Isabella Reed in year 2 and Millie Reed in year 5. You have made a super start and made lots of friends already. Well done!

## Welcome Miss Moretto



We would like to welcome Miss Moretto who is our new Office Administrator who will assist you in the front office. Please give her a Manor Way welcome and introduce yourself to her.

## School Meal Price Increase

We have been notified by Dudley Catering & Client Services that with effect from 11th September 2017 the price of a school meal will increase to £2.30 per day

Please be aware that with effect from 13<sup>th</sup> October kitchen will be unable to accept any old pound coins.

## Dates for your Diary

### 2018 assessment dates - KS1, KS2 and phonics screening check

#### Key stage 1

Date	Activity
May 2018	Key stage 1 test period
Week commencing Monday 11 June 2018	Phonics screening check week

#### Key stage 2

Date	Activity
Week commencing Monday 14 May 2018	Key stage 2 test week
Weeks commencing Monday 4 June and Monday 11 June 2018	Science sampling test period (for selected schools only)

Dates	Event
12th September	Year 4 swimming
14th September	Manor Way Minis Stay & Play sessions 8.45am - 11.45am for prospective parents
15th September	Parents Evening Booking go live
18th September	Manor Way Minis start back today
20th September	School Photographer
21st September	Astley Burf Meeting 3.30 after school Friends of Manor Way Meeting 3.30 in the conservatory
29th September	Inset Day - <b>School Closed</b>
2nd October	Football League at Leasowes High 3.30 - 5pm
16th October	Parents Evening times TBC
17th October	Open morning for prospective parents for September 2018 Reception intake 9.30 - 10.30am Parents Evening times TBC
20th October	<b>Break up today for Half Term</b> FMW Halloween Disco
30th October	<b>School re-opens</b>
31st October	Open morning for prospective Reception parents for September 2018 intake 2-3pm
2nd November	Flu Vaccinations for years R,1,2,3,4 Friends of Manor Way Meeting 7pm Halesowen Athletics Club
6th November	Football League at Leasowes High 3.30 - 5pm
10th November	FMW Mufti Day - theme to be confirmed Christmas play tickets to be distributed
24th November	Inset Day <b>School Closed</b>
30th November	Friends of Manor Way Meeting 7pm Halesowen Athletics Club
1st December	Friends of Manor Way Donation Day for Xmas Fair
4th December	Football League at Leasowes High 3.30 - 5pm
8th December	Christmas Fair in school hall times TBC
13th December	Christmas Play KS1 am times TBC
14th December	Christmas Play KS1 pm times TBC
18th December	Christmas Dinner
19th December	Christmas Party Day

20th December	Break up today
3rd January 2018	<b>Back to School</b>

## 2017 Autumn Term

Term Starts: Wednesday 6th September  
Half Term: Mon 23rd October -Fri 27th October  
Term Ends: Wednesday 20th December

## 2017 - 2018 School Closed Days

4th September 2017 Inset Day  
5th September 2017 Inset Day  
29th September 2017 Inset Day  
24th November 2017 Inset Day  
2nd January 2018 Inset Day  
25th June 2018 Inset Day