



# MANOR COURT Community Primary School

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Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

## **Reference: VE Day community picnic celebrations.**

I am writing to invite you to a very special occasion here at Manor Court Community Primary School as we mark the 80th Anniversary of VE Day with a commemorative event taking place on Thursday 8th May, from 1:15pm to 3:15pm.

We warmly welcome all parents, carers, relatives, and anyone with a connection to our school community to join us for an afternoon of reflection and remembrance. This event will be held on the school playing field, where we encourage families to come together and enjoy a community picnic—so don't forget to pack something delicious to nibble on!

As the forecast looks dry and sunny, we're looking forward to celebrating this significant historical moment outdoors. Please access the event via the top school (pedestrian) gates nearest to the EYC. For safeguarding reasons, all school gates will close promptly at 1:30pm. Should you need to enter or exit after this time, please speak to a member of staff in a high-visibility waistcoat, who will be able to assist you.

Each class will be stationed in a designated area for the duration of the afternoon. When you arrive, if you would like your child to sit with you during the event, please locate your child's class and inform the class teacher. They will record on a register that your child is with you and that you have agreed to return them at the end of the afternoon.

At the close of the event, a bell will ring, and an announcement will be made asking all children sitting with family members to return to their class areas. Please ensure your child is returned to their class and that the class teacher is informed. Classes will then walk back to their classrooms to collect their belongings and be dismissed via the normal end-of-day procedure. Please do not leave the event with your child before this process is completed.

During the afternoon, the School Council will be running a Traditional Tuck Shop, selling sweets and soft drinks for 50p each. If you are unable to attend the event and would like your child to take part, feel free to send them in with a small amount of money. All profits raised will go towards the School Council's chosen charity – The Beacon Centre.

We have a fantastic line-up of activities and entertainment for everyone to enjoy, including:

- A 1940s singer
- Military and civilian vehicles
- WW2 re-enactors
- Lindy Hop and swing dancers

Authentic period dress is encouraged for both pupils and guests, or simply wear something red, white, and blue to show your patriotic spirit!

We are also creating a Table of Remembrance. If you have any photos or stories of loved ones who lived through WW2, please send copies of them in to me so we can honour them as part of the display. And lastly, don't forget to bring your best baked biscuits for our Biscuit Competition! Recipes and details can be found on the Manor Court Facebook page.

We're very much looking forward to coming together as a school community to commemorate this important anniversary.

Thank you for your continued support.



Miss Laura Gregory  
Early Intervention Officer

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