

Dear Parents and carers

Summer Term 4 – Friday 17th June 2022



June 2022	
Monday 20 th June – Friday 24 th June	Whole School Careers week Life Bus Visit throughout the week
Tuesday 21 st June at 14:15	Y4 & Y5 trip to Huish Park (selected children only) KS1 Online Safety Assembly
Wednesday 22 nd June	Foundation Stage trip to Lyme Regis
Thursday 23 rd June at 14:15	KS2 Online Safety Assembly
Friday 24 th June	Dress up as what you'd like to be when you're an adult day New Foundation Stage intake Stay & Play session 1
Monday 27 th June	International Day and Y1 trip to Sidmouth
Tuesday 28 th to Wednesday 29 th	Y4 residential to Wildwood
July 2022	
Monday 4 th July to Friday	Pete the Poet visit for the whole week
Monday 4 th July	Y4 Viking day
Thursday 7 th July	Children's 'Meet your new teacher' session (morning only)
Monday 11 th July	Y2 School trip to Noah's Ark Zoo (Letter to be sent home soon) End of year school reports to be sent home
Wednesday 13 th July	Y6 School production 1 (13:30 start in the school hall)
Thursday 14 th July	Y6 School production 2 (18:00 start in the school hall)
Wednesday 20 th July	Y6 Leavers Assembly with tea & cake afterwards Y6 Silent Disco paid for with the money raised from their enterprise project
Thursday 21 st July	M&M production of The Railway Children to the whole school
Friday 22 nd July	Last day of the school year and non-school uniform for everyone

Sports Day

It was wonderful to be able to welcome so many parents onto the school field on Wednesday to support their children in the KS1 and KS2 Sports Day. Each child competed so well in the variety of events and enjoyed the fine weather and representing their House.

The overall winner for the first time in a very long time was Morangis House. The KS1 winner was Gillingham and the KS2 winner was Morangis. The scores were very close and are as follows.

- 1st - 658 - Morangis
- 2nd - 654 - Stringfellow
- 3rd - 627 - Gillingham
- 4th - 622 – Bondfield



Careers week

Next week we have an incredibly exciting and informative week of guest speakers from a range of different careers and professions. These visitors include a nurse, lab technician, builder, and Leonardo apprentice. We hope that these visitors will spark the children's dreams and ambitions for their futures.

Throughout the week there are many activities planned to include the MC Dragons Den and to end the week on Friday the 24th June we are asking children to come to school dressed up as what they would like to be when they are older. The staff will be dressing up as what they wanted to be when they were a child!

Foundation Stage Father's Day Breakfast

It was fantastic to be able to welcome so many dads, stepdad's, granddads, uncles and special male role model for a bacon sandwich with their child this morning before school. The children loved showing their special male adult how much they love and appreciate them and to give them a little gift that they had made!



Staffing for next year

You will have received via your ParentPay account today a letter that explains who your child's teacher and LSA will be next year and the name of their class. Please take the time to read this letter carefully.



Y3 visit from Tamsin Cook

Last week, Year 3 got to meet and work with local author, Tamsin Cooke. The children considered the qualities for their own spirit animal before writing some amazing poems! Thank you to YTFC for this opportunity to work with Tamsin again.

We take child protection extremely seriously at our school. If you have a concern, you can speak to any of the school's designated and trained Child Protection officers: Mr Clode, Miss Gregory or Mr Talmage. Alternatively, you can ring Children Social Care on: 0300 123 2224 or email childrens@somerset.gov.uk



Summer Show

We have been delighted to commence selling tickets to our Summer Shows (Tuesday 5th and Thursday 7th July) at Holyrood Academy on Eventbrite. Tickets are priced at £4 per adult and £2 per child and all profit from these two events will be used to pay for the yearlong project in the 2022-2023 academic year with the Royal Ballet Company.

We've decided to sell tickets on EventBrite to ensure that we are being the most environmentally friendly as we can be. This week we have emailed links to the place where you can purchase the tickets and have them sent directly to your smartphone or email address.

Production kitchen an update from Mrs Hunt

We are very excited to be having a new production kitchen fitted over the summer to allow us to prepare and cook our own meals in school from September 2022. We are currently advertising for a Catering Operative, details can be found at the end of this newsletter, in the vacancy section of our school website and our Twitter and Facebook page.

Aspens will continue to provide lunches for our children until the end of July, so please remember to order your children's lunches on their 'Select' site as normal. However, our menus for September 2022 will be going live in July on **Parentpay**, which is a site you are all familiar with. As soon as we upload our new menus, we will let you know, asking you to order your lunches in readiness for September.

International Day

On Monday 27th June we will hold our annual International Day when we will celebrate the many cultures all of the different nationalities and languages spoken within our school. This is another day in which children can come to school not in their school uniform and wear the colour on the flag of the country that they are focusing on.

Throughout the day there will be many activities including a Zoom meeting with a Brazilian school. Please read the letter that was sent home yesterday for further detail.



Online Safety Assemblies

We would like to invite you to our online safety assemblies next week. The children in each year group have prepared a brief presentation for you to tell you what they've learnt about online safety this year. Last year, we did this as a video but this year, the children will be able to show you in person!

- The key stage 1 assembly is at 2.50pm on Tuesday 21st June.
- The key stage 2 assembly is at 2.45pm on Thursday 23rd June.

Both assemblies will take place in the school hall and will both be finished by the end of the school day.



E-Safety news from Miss Thompson

Discord has become increasingly popular in the last two years. It used to be used mainly for discussing games whilst playing but more recently, it's being used as a messaging app - more like Whatsapp. Discord doesn't have any age verification and there's a lot of adult content. Children can also set up their own servers (chat rooms) and let anyone enter which exposes them to possible

inappropriate content. This page explains everything you need to know about Discord: <https://swgfl.org.uk/magazine/discord-security-settings-a-guide-for-parents-and-carers/>

Life Bus visit

We look forward to welcoming the Coram Life education Life Bus to school next week. The fun, interactive and age-appropriate workshops which are funded each year through the funds raised by the FMCA help children to understand the importance of physical and emotional health; they learn vital life-skills that are also known to help their overall achievement.

- Early Years and Key Stage 1: children learn about keeping their bodies healthy, managing feelings, being a good friend and the safe use of medicines.
- Key Stage 2: children explore emotional needs, choices that can affect health and wellbeing, qualities of friendship, how to cope with bullying and the influence of friends. They also consider the effects and risks of drug use, including medicines, alcohol and tobacco as well as learning about how few people in their age group actually use non-medical drugs – this is social norms education.

The FMCA needs you

The FMCA is a group of parent volunteers who spend time raising money (whilst having fun) for activities or equipment to be used for the children in the school. The work that they do is vital, and the committee needs more volunteers to help them achieve more for the children.

If you would like to find out more about their work and how you can get involved, please do email them on contactfmca@gmail.com



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EYC News

The children thoroughly enjoyed each of the activities that were planned for the jubilee before half term, and we are super proud of how they behaved at the street party.

Some upcoming events planned for the children who attend the EYC include further transitions to the Foundation Stage to help those leaving us to start school in September to get ready and the international day on Monday 27th June. We will keep you updated with what's happening through EyLog so please do check your Eylog regularly.

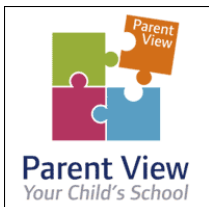


Pupil Premium

The pupil premium is additional funding that the Government provides for each child who is believed to be disadvantaged in achieving their best in education. At Manor Court Primary School, we provide high quality education and enrichment opportunities for all our pupils regardless of ability or background. However, it is useful to receive this funding for all children entitled to it. If your children are entitled to free school meals or a member of the household is currently in receipt, or has been in the last six years, of Universal credit then please do apply through this hyperlink https://secure1.somerset.gov.uk/forms/PortalShowForm.asp?fm_formalias=freeschoolmeal

Y2 Geography work about climates

Yesterday the Y2 children learnt about the main three different climates in the world in their geography lesson. The children enjoyed using the atlases, revising the different continents, and finding where the hottest places are in the world. What an apt topic to be looking at during the current heatwave!



Ofsted Parent view

Parent view is a way in which Ofsted surveys the parents of children within a school to find out their views of the school and how it can be improved further. These opinions become part of the overall judgment of the school. If you would like to pass on your opinions to Ofsted, please complete the survey on the parent view website. The website can be found at www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is the responsibility of everybody. In terms of keeping children safe, please "Don't think "What if I'm wrong Think... "What if I am right" If you have any concerns about a pupil, you should report this to a member of staff immediately. If you feel a pupil is at risk or a subject of abuse you must contact the Designated Safeguarding Team immediately. The Designated Safeguarding Lead is Mr Clode and Deputy Designated Safeguard leads are Miss Gregory and Mr Talmage. The school Safeguarding and Child Protection Governor is Mrs Jo Boyland.

Chance to Shine

On Monday, some of the KS2 children were lucky enough to participate in the Chance to Shine cricket programme with coaches from Somerset County Cricket Club. The children spent the day practicing and refining their throwing and catching skills. The children are looking forward to the next few weeks where they will continue developing different areas of their cricketing abilities.



Year 6 advance warning – A message from the Y6 team

It is a busy time of the school year for the Y6 children and our focus has now turned towards further curriculum enrichment, your child's transition to their secondary school and the traditional school play – this year it's Peter Pan!

Please put these dates in your diary so that you do not miss these important events.

1. Wednesday 13th July – Afternoon performance of Peter Pan in the school hall (13:30 start).
2. Thursday 14th July – Evening performance of Peter Pan in the school hall (18:00 start).
3. Wednesday 20th July – Leaver's service in the school hall (13:30 start).



Thank you for your continued support and with all good wishes.

A handwritten signature in black ink, likely belonging to Mr Luke Talmage.

Mr Luke Talmage
Head Teacher

A handwritten signature in black ink, likely belonging to Mr Alan Clode.

Mr Alan Clode
Deputy Head and Inclusion Leader



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Catering Operative

Required from August 2022

22.5 hrs – 25 hours per week (Monday to Friday)

1-year fixed term in the first instance

Grade 16 Pt 2

Salary is paid on a pro-rata basis term time only

We are looking to appoint a committed and enthusiastic Catering Operative to work in our new kitchen. You will need to have basic food/catering qualifications, a cooking background, level 2 in Food Hygiene and Safety and experience of COSHH would be desirable.

The role will include:

- To prepare, cook and serve nutritionally balanced meals appropriate for 2-11-year-old students in accordance with nutritional standards
- To maintain a safe, clean, and healthy Kitchen environment
- To regulate kitchen stock control ensuring stock rotation
- Complete cleaning tasks as per the cleaning schedule and as instructed by the Catering Manager.
- To plan and prepare meals which are in keeping with special dietary requirements

Preston Primary Academy Trust is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of the children and expects all staff to share this commitment. The successful applicant will require an Enhanced Disclosure & Barring Service check, medical clearance, and references.

Please apply in writing by completing the non-teaching application form available from the trust or school website www.prestonprimaryacademytrust.co.uk or www.manorcourt.somerset.sch.uk

Closing date: Friday 1st July 22

Interviews: W/c 4th July 2022



We love coming as there are no expectations on how to behave and everyone plays together and being quiet and low light helps a lot

**FREE weekly
SEN/SEND soft
play sessions at
Chard Leisure Centre
for children up to the age of 16
(siblings welcome @ £5)**

My boys love coming as there is no pressure from other children

Reduced capacity
Subtle lighting
Calm and friendly atmosphere
Additional resources: puzzles, colouring etc
Cafe shutter closed (full cafe services still available)

I have watched children come in to the sessions and make new friends and play together. It is so lovely to watch them having fun

**Thursdays 4:30-6
Sundays 9-10:30**

It is great to watch my children having fun in a non-judgemental environment. All the parents are friendly and supportive

**Pop in to the centre to book or phone
our friendly team who will be happy to
answer any questions**

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Manor Court Community Primary School

2022 - 2023 Term Dates & Holidays



September 2022					October 2022					November 2022										
M		5	12	19	26	M		3	10	17	24	31	M		7	14	21	28		
Tu		6	13	20	27	Tu		4	11	18	25		Tu	1	8	15	22	29		
W		7	14	21	28	W		5	12	19	26		W	2	9	16	23	30		
Th		1	8	15	22	29	Th		6	13	20	27		Th	3	10	17	24		
F		2	9	16	23	30	F		7	14	21	28		F	4	11	18	25		
Sa		3	10	17	24		Sa	1	8	15	22	29		Sa	5	12	19	26		
Su		4	11	18	25		Su	2	9	16	23	30		Su	6	13	20	27		
December 2022					January 2023					February 2023										
M		5	12	19	26	M		2	9	16	23	30	M		6	13	20	27		
Tu		6	13	20	27	Tu		3	10	17	24	31	Tu		7	14	21	28		
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Su		4	11	18	25		Su	1	8	15	22	29		Su	5	12	19	26		
March 2023					April 2023					May 2023										
M		6	13	20	27	M		3	10	17	24	M		1	8	15	22	29		
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June 2023					July 2023					August 2023										
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Tu		6	13	20	27	Tu		4	11	18	25		Tu		1	8	15	22	29	
W		7	14	21	28	W		5	12	19	26		W		2	9	16	23	30	
Th		1	8	15	22	29	Th		6	13	20	27	Th		3	10	17	24	31	
F		2	9	16	23	30	F		7	14	21	28	F		4	11	18	25		
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Su		4	11	18	25		Su		2	9	16	23	30	Su		6	13	20	27	

Key:

	School Holiday
	Bank Holiday
	Term Time
	Inset Days

Term dates summary:

Term 1: 01 September – 21 October 2022 (37 days)
Term 2: 31 October – 16 December 2022 (35 days)
Term 3: 03 January – 10 February 2023 (29 days)
Term 4: 20 February – 31 March 2023 (30 days)
Term 5: 17 April – 26 May 2023 (29 days)
Term 6: 05 June – 21 July 2023 (35 days) **TOTAL = 195**

Bank and public holidays 2022/23

Christmas Day Bank Holiday	27 December 2022*	Easter Monday	10 April 2023
Boxing Day Bank Holiday	26 December 2022	May Day Bank Holiday	01 May 2023
New Year's Day Holiday	02 January 2023*	Spring Bank Holiday	29 May 2023
Good Friday	07 April 2023	Summer Bank Holiday	28 August 2023

*Replacement Bank Holiday day when the Bank Holiday falls on a weekend

Academy, Free Schools, Foundation & Voluntary Aided schools can set their own term dates and may differ from ours. Please check with the individual schools for their term dates.