



## Key Stage 1 Team Letter Autumn 2025



Dear Parents,

Welcome to the new academic year, we hope you had a lovely summer.

Pupils need to have all items of uniform and PE kit (with appropriate footwear) clearly named. The correct PE kits need to be kept in school all week as we will now be changing for PE in school. Please note that jewellery is not part of the Manor School uniform. Can you also make sure that pupils have a **book bag instead of a ruck sack.**

As we are in the Autumn term, the weather will be getting colder, so when necessary, please ensure your child has a hooded raincoat, hat and gloves in school.

Your child is expected to **read at home 5 times a week.** Please can this be logged in the yellow reading record that has been sent home. This can be a book from school, home or the library. For every 5 times they read, they will earn a star.

Homework (Maths and Spellings) will be given to your child on a Friday and will be due in the following Thursday.

We look forward to working with you.

Key Stage 1 team

### Key Dates this term:

Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	Jeans for Genes
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October 2025	School Photographer
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Disco
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Open morning & afternoon
21 <sup>st</sup> - 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2025	Parent teacher meetings
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> October – Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2025	Half term
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2025	INSET day
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	Non- Uniform day for Christmas donations
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	Anti-Bullying week
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	Christmas Fayre
Week beginning Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Christmas Production Week
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Christmas Jumper Day
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Christmas Lunch
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Christmas Party Day
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	End of term @2.00pm
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	Pupils return

This term, pupils will be learning the following:

### Science-

We will be exploring seasonal changes and will observe how plants and trees change alongside the weather. We will also learn and talk about the other features of the seasons, for example weather and temperature. After half term, pupils will be learning about everyday materials and learn how to identify and name them. They will begin to describe the properties of the different materials.

### Geography-

Pupils will be learning about the four countries that make up the United Kingdom. Pupils will identify where the countries are on a map of the UK and recognize geographical features within the school grounds. We will look at maps, using directional language to explore the location of different features and then pupils will create their own maps using different symbols to represent features.

### History-

Children will learn about old toys to help them understand the difference between toys people played with in the past and the ones the children enjoy playing today.

### Art-

This term, pupils will explore how artists use tone and texture, and apply these techniques in observational drawings.

### Computing-

This term, we will be developing pupils early programming skill using beebots.

### Music-

The children will listen and appraise different styles of music, e.g. reggae, hip hop, pop and rock. They will also be learning about the interrelated dimensions of music through listening, singing, playing, composing and performing. They will use untuned percussive instruments and tuned instruments such as glockenspiels where will focus on playing the notes D, E and F# in time to the music.

### PE-

Pupils will form a variety of different gymnastic actions and shapes (rolls, balances, twists etc) and link them together to form a sequence. This will develop strength and flexibility.

### DT-

Pupil will identify man made and natural structures and identify stable and unstable structural shapes. They will explore features that make a chair stable, following a demonstration, Then they will design and construct a model chair for baby bear.

### RE-

Children will be learning to re-tell Bible stories that show kindness and to explore how this makes Christians behave towards other people. As well as this, they will reflect on the Christmas story and the reason for Jesus' birth.

### PSHE-

The pupils will be talking and thinking about how they feel special and safe. They will discuss how everyone has a right to learn and how we can support this in our classrooms through our behaviour. As well as this, we will explore rewards and consequences.

