



# Manor Primary School

*'Learning Together, Achieving Our Best'*

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## Diary Dates for next week

**Monday 15th—Friday 19th**—Book Week and Sponsored Reading event.

**Monday 15th, 2.15pm**—Foundation parents' tea party & information session—focus on phonics and reading.

**Tues 16th**—PLEASE NOTE CHOIR IS CANCELLED DUE TO PARENTS EVENINGS

**Tues 16th & Wed 17th** —Foundation trips to Halden Forest

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**Thursday 18th, 10am** —Y3/4 Harvest Celebration at school, parents & families welcome.

**Friday 19th, 2.30-3.30pm** — Autumn Tea (see below)

**Friday 20th**— This is the last day of half term; we return to school on **Tuesday 30th October**.

## Autumn Tea—Friday 19th Oct 2.30pm-3.30pm

We will be holding an Autumn Tea party in the hall to which all our families are invited. Parents may arrive from 2.30pm and can collect their children from class early in order to go to the tea party (not in order to go home early!). All proceeds will go towards our new all-weather play area. We would be very grateful for any donations of cakes on the day; thank you in advance!

## Halloween Party—Tuesday 30th October 5-6.30pm

The Friends are holding a Halloween Party on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October from 5-6.30pm. The cost will be £2.50 per ticket to include a drink, sweets and a fantastic Magic show! There will also be a fancy dress competition so children are invited to dress up for the occasion. Tickets will be on sale from 3pm on Thurs 18<sup>th</sup>, Fri 19<sup>th</sup> and Tues 30<sup>th</sup> October.

## Whole School RE Day

This year, we are delivering the RE curriculum through a series of whole-school RE days across the year. This week, we have enjoyed the first of these focusing on Hinduism, with a visiting speaker talking to the children about her faith as a Hindu and the practices of her religion. Our next RE day will be on 12th Dec when the focus will be Christianity.

## Local Primary Partnership—Logo Competition

As many of you will be aware, our school is part of a local partnership of 12 schools called the South Devon Primary Partnership—this includes us, Sparkwell, and the Beacon, Moorsway and South Hams Federations. The purpose is to work together on joint projects, share good practice, provide mutual support, and ultimately improve provision for all children. This has included joint school reviews; subject leader meetings for maths, literacy and PE; the 'Big Blue Planet' project; and opportunities for children to join together for art, music and sporting events.

We would now like to develop a logo for our partnership, and we are opening this up to children from all of the 12 schools. We would love your child to join in by submitting a design. This should be a simple, colourful design which encapsulates the idea of schools working together, and should include the letters 'SDPP'. It can be drawn on any size paper.

All designs should be submitted by the end of the first week back after half term, with the child's name and class clearly written on the reverse. There will be a prize for the school winner, and this will go forward to be judged against the winners from the other schools.

## Welcome

We have welcomed both new children and new staff members this week. Mrs Lawson has started as a new TA in the Year 1/2 team, and Mr Smith has started as a Playleader to replace Mrs May—Mrs May remains as a member of staff but working fewer hours. We have also welcomed Ava (Stoats), Amelia (Kestrels) and Aston (Dormice). We wish them all a very happy time with us here at Manor.

Congratulations to Sycamore- winners of the House Points cup with 140 house points.

Well done to this week's Gold Certificate winners — Ava (Badgers), Chase (Owls) and Lucas (Kestrels)

Congratulations to Dormice who have won the attendance shield with attendance of 98.9%



## Forthcoming Theme for the Week

Keeping Safe on the internet—why this is important and what it means in practice.

