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27th May 2016

Summer Half Term Newsletter

### Important Dates

#### June 2016

School Photograph Day:	7 <sup>th</sup> Jun
Sublime Science Workshops (KS1):	13 <sup>th</sup> Jun
Queen's Birthday Picnic Lunch (Details to follow):	15 <sup>th</sup> Jun
Yr 1 Teddy Bears Picnic at Sunrise Living:	16 <sup>th</sup> Jun
Mufti Day – donations for the School Fair:	17 <sup>th</sup> Jun
International Week Begins:	20 <sup>th</sup> Jun
Bollywood Belles:	20 <sup>th</sup> Jun
Bollywood Belles:	21 <sup>st</sup> Jun
African Drumming Workshops:	24 <sup>th</sup> Jun
Zoolab visiting Reception classes:	27 <sup>th</sup> Jun
Sports Day (Details to follow)	28 <sup>th</sup> Jun
Reserve Sports Day:	29 <sup>th</sup> Jun

#### July

Please see next page for July dates for the diary

Dear Parents and Carers,

Can you believe that here we are half way through the final term of the year. Where has the time gone?

This half term we have had a Grandparents' Tea Party, a visit to the farm with our Reception children and a trip to Wisley with Year 1. Mrs Mullarkey and I have even managed a visit to the hairdressers in Cygnet Class!

A huge thank you to the Friends of Manby Lodge, especially to the Spring Dance Committee for organising this event. The feedback was that it was a lovely evening and we would like to say a big thank you to everyone who participated to help raise funds for the school. Funds raised by FoML will enable us to purchase some fantastic canopies for our new building.

We welcome Mrs Clark to the Manby Lodge family who will be working in the school office for four days a week. We sadly say goodbye to Mrs Atkins who has been our Finance Assistant. She has been absolutely amazing and we will miss her, however we do wish her lots of luck in her new job and hope that she will visit us soon.

All of the staff and children have worked extremely hard and we look forward to another half term of exciting learning.

Have a lovely half term break.

Kindest regards  
Mrs Creasey

## Reception

The Reception classes have had a very busy and eventful half term!

We have eagerly awaited the arrival of our caterpillars and now we await the special event of them transforming to butterflies anytime soon.

We have planted sunflowers and bean plants and spent time learning how to look after them by writing instructions and signs about how to care for them. We have participated in multi sport lessons learning skills in tennis and hockey.

We have been good ambassadors for the school taking part in our first ever school trip visiting Ladyland Farm in Horley and learning about animals and farming.



We have enjoyed dancing and singing in our outside area and built pathways with our friends to explore positional and directional language. Mrs Creasey and Mrs Mullarkey enjoyed having their hair done visiting our role play hairdressers.



We also really enjoyed working collaboratively to make our class canvas and are very proud of our final product.

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### July 2016

Rock Band Concerts:	6 <sup>th</sup> Jul
New Reception children visiting:	7 <sup>th</sup> Jul
School Reports sent home:	8 <sup>th</sup> Jul
Yr 2 Leavers' Disco:	14 <sup>th</sup> Jul
Yr 2 Leavers' Assembly:	15 <sup>th</sup> Jul
End of term With a 3pm finish:	15 <sup>th</sup> Jul

## Canopies

These are the fantastic canopies that we will be purchasing once the new build is complete.

A huge thank you to FOML who are working hard to raise the funds.



### Sun Hats and Water Bottles

As the weather is hopefully getting warmer please remember to send your children to school with a sunhat and water bottle every day. We are unable to apply sun lotion to children so we recommend that you apply it before they come to school.

### Scooters and Bikes

Even though it is a great way to come to school please can we remind you that children are not allowed to ride their scooters in the school playground; this also includes the paths leading from the gates. Only recently has there been an accident where a child was knocked over. We really appreciate your support on this matter.

### Holidays During Term Time

Please may I remind parents of the DFE guidelines: No holidays will be authorised unless there are exceptional circumstances. You may be liable for a fixed penalty fine. Please see the Attendance Policy which can be viewed on the school website. Surrey School Term and Holiday dates are also on the school website under the "Our School" tab.

### Year One

Year One have had a very exciting start to our Summer Term.

We invited our Grandparents in for a Tea Party so they could share with us their photos and stories from when they were children. We worked very hard to make all the food and drink and really enjoyed learning about how life has changed over the last 60 years.



Our Year 1 'Growing Together' garden is now in bloom. We have planted lots of flowers as well as fruits and vegetables. We recently visited Wisley Gardens and particularly enjoyed observing all the different types of tropical plants in the Glasshouse.



## Year Two

This half term in Year 2 a mysterious dragon was found by Mr Wallis. He answered the children's questions about him and inspired us to share lots of different dragon stories. We invented our own dragons and made missing posters using adjectives and similes when they escaped.



The children have been using known number facts to solve missing number problems and using the inverse operations.

We have continued to practise addition and subtraction using two digit numbers and have explored two step word problems. We have also been learning to tell the time to the nearest five minutes.

In Science we have been learning about plants and are currently carrying out our own experiment using cress to see what seeds need to germinate. We are looking forward to finding out our results.

The Year 2 children have proved their resilience and have worked very hard this half term. We wish them a well deserved, restful and fun half term !

## Golden Boot

Manby Lodge is taking part in the Golden Boot Challenge, the biggest school travel competition in the country!

The annual Golden Boot Challenge is designed to encourage children, parents and schools to choose sustainable alternatives to the car on school journeys.



The results are being recorded online. Go to [www.surreyhealthyschools.co.uk](http://www.surreyhealthyschools.co.uk) then click on the Golden Boot icon to see how your child's school is doing. You can also try out the system yourself!

## Summer Half Term Values



For June  
Fairness



For July  
Courage