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## Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Manford,

Welcome back to the start of a new year. It has been a successful two weeks back and as always, fantastic to see the children's enthusiasm and love of learning in school. At the start of every year we believe it is a good time to remind ourselves and pupils of our school vision as we look forward to the many learning opportunities planned for the year ahead:

***We believe that Manford children are amazing young people.***

***We aim to support their development by ensuring they have excellent educational experiences which encourage a love of learning, a pride in all they do and build memories that continue to influence their lives in a positive way.***

***We want to empower them to know that they have the capacity to make great decisions and change the world.***

Reception and Nursery children, brand new to Manford, have been incredible. They are settling beautifully while making new friends and enjoying their new classrooms. We are very pleased to welcome them all to Manford Primary School.

Following the passing of Her Majesty The Queen, the children have taken part in a number of reflections to hear about what had happened and to reflect on Queen Elizabeth's 111 life. In assemblies we have celebrated her reign and her many achievements and In the coming week we will look at our new King, Charles III, and his strength over the last couple of weeks. We have talked about some of the protocols and traditions that are in place for the period of National Mourning. We will continue to give the children time to reflect and talk about their emotions over the coming weeks.

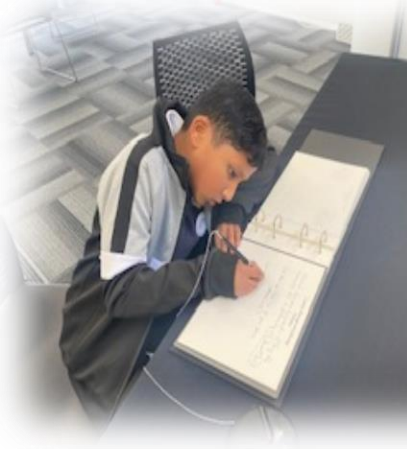
Thursday was World Afro Day. The children celebrated this occasion by taking part in the Big Hair Assembly. In their classes they celebrated uniqueness of their own hair and textures, while learning about hair discrimination and the importance of representation. They were able to make links to the Rights Respecting articles in relation to how we treat each other. The children were thoughtful in their conversations and further up the school were able to make links to the importance of diversity and inclusion.

On Friday we celebrated National Teacher Assistant Day by sharing our gratitude and thanks for all the support staff who work in our school. Throughout the day the children showered our support staff with kind words and gestures. We appreciate their patience, enthusiasm and passion that helps us to get the best from the children. We are grateful for their hard work, commitment and care towards the children's education.

I often say what a privilege it is to have your children in our care. It has been great having them all back in school.

*Miss Osei*

Mrs Donnelly and I took the **Children's Leadership Team** to Hainaut Library this week. They signed the book of condolence for The Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on behalf of the pupils, staff and governors of Manford Primary School. It was a humbling experience, the children were respectful and shared some beautiful messages.







*Andrzej F - Nursery*

*Hamza A - Blue*

*Natan K - Red*

*Amaya A - 2C*

*Alexandra A - 3A*

*Jaida B - 3A*

*Nikol G - 3A*

*Sofia K - 3D*

*Rafeal PB- 3D*

*Martin M - 4W*

*Samiya R - 4W*

*Sophia B - 5F*

*Vinnie B - 6L*

*Ermira D - 6L*

*Mohammed J - 6C*



**We hope you all enjoy a fantastic birthday!**

**We welcome Maria B - 6C and Ayanna A- 3D and their families to Manford Primary school!**

**Safeguarding Lead: Miss Osei**

**Safeguarding deputies: Mrs James, Mrs Anderson**



**Week ending 16<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

**Blue Reception – 99.3%**

**1S – 96.2%**

**4M – 95.2%**

**Whole School - 92.8%**



# ***Welcome to Pre-school!***

Welcome to our Preschool children! They have had a fantastic two weeks and settled in very well. They have done lots of playing which is helping them to learn about the world around them, how to make friends and express themselves. They are also getting used to the school routines already! They have enjoyed listening to stories and singing lots of songs. They have even learnt their first poem; 'Sliced Bread'! Well done Preschool!





# Welcome to Reception!

*What a great time we have had  
at Manford, settling into  
Reception! It has been a  
pleasure to meet you all and  
we look forward to a year full  
of fun and learning.  
The Reception Team.*







**Year 5** took part in their first lesson in 'becoming archaeologists' in their Ancient Greek topic. Taking on the role of archaeologists themselves, they dug up evidence and pieced together Greek pots to find out more information of which they would be learning this term.

# BECOME A VOLUNTEER - MAKE A DIFFERENCE



Thank you to the parents that attended the Coffee Morning last week and signed up - we will be contacting you this week.

At Manford Primary School we are looking for volunteers who want to make a difference – an hour a week of your time is all we need!

We want to create a bank of volunteers that we can rely on to provide support. If you have a particular skill or are in an interesting profession that you would like to share, if you can commit to listening to readers, if you would like to run a club, escort classes on school visits or if you would like to provide general support in the classroom – please sign up.

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