



15th July 2024

The countdown to the end of the year has begun, although teachers will be in school on Monday and Tuesday next week to work on next years curriculum, our new behaviour system and supporting children with Special Needs. Our Year 6 students have been busy rehearsing their Olympic themed leavers performance which they present on Wednesday. Over the holiday we are decorating and getting ready for the return in September.

Uniform

When buying uniform for September please remember that leggings are not suitable for school. Also, trainers are fine as long as they are **plain black**.

After School Club-great news!

I am pleased to finally be able to confirm that our after-school childcare will run until 6pm starting in September. We are hoping to have some work done to the security gates which will allow you to collect your children during the session rather than at set times. Before the start of the new term staff in the office will set up the booking system so that you can book places. The costs are: Breakfast Club (7.45-8.40) £4. After School Club £10 until 5pm, £14 until 6pm.

What's been happening in school?

- Sports week was a great success, we had Year 10 students from The Forest Academy to support and they were brilliant, excellent manners and really kind and patient with the younger children.
- Year 5 have spent a morning at The Forest Academy and had a great time
- Our transition work with the secondary schools has been going well, I think all of our Year 6's have now been to visit their new schools
- Year 3 took part in a national 'Create' day with the Royal Opera House. The expertise of the Opera House staff was fantastic-we have now joined a partnership with The Royal opera House for next year which Mrs Akiva will be leading on.
- Year 4 had a wild time at London Zoo as part of their curriculum-unfortunately the weather was also wild!
- Year 6 were invited to a careers event at Hainault Youth Centre which was very successful
- We have had 2 class swap sessions where children have moved to their new classroom and met their new teacher. We also hosted an open evening for you to come in and look at work/meet staff. Unfortunately, some of the staff were delayed on a school trip, if you don't get the chance to meet them before the end of term, we will be holding our year group introductions in early September.

- The children and staff who have achieved 100% attendance, along with some of our art leaders, attended an event in the hall hosted by 'Colours of Redbridge'. They were inspired by Indian Truck Art to create coasters and badges (see below)
- Mrs Colfer and Miss Mandel attended a celebration of wellbeing at Cranbrook Primary-we look forward to them sharing wellbeing tips with the staff here.
- Year 6 have enjoyed sailing at Fairlop Waters.
- Year 4 and our Young Carers were invited to see Matilda performed by students at The Forest Academy. They came back to school telling me it was amazing. Staff were very proud to see some ex Manford pupils showing of their talents on the stage.

Colours of Redbridge attendance reward



Raffle

Many thanks to Mrs Mustafa in the school office for organising the end of year raffle. It was drawn in celebration assembly on Friday morning and the winners were:

Kyla in Red Reception
 Rayan in 1S
 David in 5B



Reports

You should all have your reports by last Friday. The teachers have worked hard writing them. There is a reply slip at the end but if you don't want to print this and send it in, please feel free to send your feedback to admin.manford@redbridge.gov.uk

End of term arrangements

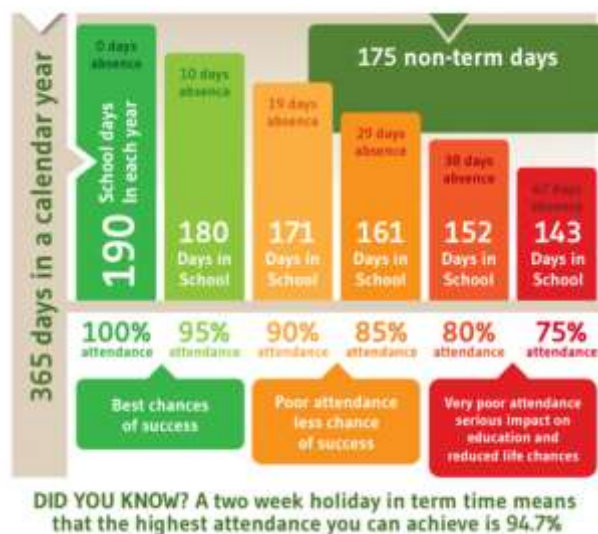
School closes for the Summer on Friday 19th July at 2pm. Teachers will be in school for training on Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd.

This is Mr Emdon's last week with us at Manford. He has taught music and led our music extra-curricular activities for more than five years and we are very grateful to him. It is also Ms McShane's last week as she has succeeded in getting the job she always wanted in a school for children with Special Educational Needs.

Attendance

You may be aware that the rules around attendance and issuing of penalty notices are changing in August. The cost of the penalty notices (fines) is increasing to £80 per parent per child. The DfE has also told us that we will have to issue 'parenting contracts' to support families to improve attendance and try to avoid a fine. Details of the changes can be found [here](#).

Too many of Manford's children have attendance below 90%. The diagram below shows what impact this has on a child.



Dates for your diary

[Term dates](#) for next year are on the school website.

Wednesday 4th Sept- School re-opens

Meet the team meetings, wait on the playground until 3.25 start. The meeting will be a chance to meet the teachers and to find out about homework, curriculum, PE days etc etc

Mon 9th 3.25-Year 1
 Tues 10th 3.25 Year 2
 Thus 11th 3.25 Year 3
 Fri 12th 3.25 Year 4
 Mon 16th 3.25 Y5
 Tues 17th 3.25 Year 6

Thurs 12th September welcome back coffee morning-Infant Hall 9.00

Mon 23rd September 'Dress like a rockstar' launch of Times Tables Rock Stars. Everyone can dress up as a rockstar, although the Times Table Rock Stars app is only used from Year 2 up.