



18th July 2025

As we approach the end of another busy school year, I wanted to take a moment to share some of the wonderful things that have been happening at Manford Primary and look ahead to what's coming next.

Events and celebrations

Many thanks to Mrs Lomas who organised our family art event last Friday. It was well attended and the feedback was very positive. These events really bring our community together, and we look forward to having more family events next year. It's always lovely to see families working together and celebrating creativity.



Our young carers had their end of year 'party' last week, which was a special way to recognise their important role. We'll start up our young carers group again in the Autumn to continue supporting these remarkable children.

On Wednesday some of the residents from the residential home opposite the school were treated to a performance of Bugsy Malone, Year 6's end of year performance. Their performances for parents were held today and we are so proud of the mature, confident amazing young people they are. They're definitely ready for their secondary schools. Next week we will be saying farewell to them on Tuesday at the end of the day. Please feel free to come and join us at 1.45pm.



Earth House were the winners this year and enjoyed non-uniform and a party

We've had lots of celebrations in school this week to mark your children's achievements. The winning house have had their parties, and today I had a special lunch with 4 children who all earned 600 house points this year.

On Monday, 19 children who achieved 100% attendance for the whole school year are coming to a special event to receive their gold badges. Our staff members, Mrs Pitts-Sales and Ms Clarke also achieved 100% attendance for the year and will come along for their awards. It's wonderful to celebrate commitment and dedication from both pupils and staff.

NUT FREE FROM 1ST SEPTEMBER

Preschool had their 'graduation' yesterday which is always a great event for them and their parents. A milestone before starting 'big school', and it's touching to see how excited and proud they are as they prepare for this next step.



Coming in 2025/2026!

I've been on some training recently about the use of AI in schools and how to prepare children for this new resource as well as keeping them safe. This is an important area we need to address as technology continues to evolve. We continue to have significant problems with children's use of mobile phones, bullying messages, unkindness and even sharing of inappropriate images. These issues are concerning and we're taking action to address them. We asked our local Police to come in and work with the older children before the end of term, which they have done. Additionally, we are planning parent information sessions to help you support your children with these challenges.



Next year we will be picking up on the UNICEF 'Rights Respecting School' journey. I look forward to involving the children and you in that important work as we develop our commitment to children's rights and responsibilities.

Finally, I need to inform you that next week we are starting the transfer to a new computer program called Arbor and will be winding down our current system, Integris. Hopefully you will not notice any difference, but moving forward there are many new tools we can roll out to improve our communication with you.

End of Year reports

You should have received your child's report, attendance report and results if they have taken part in the National assessments in Reception, Year 1 phonics screening, Year 4 times tables check or Year 6 Statutory Attainment Tests (SATs). We are busy collating all the information and will share with you in the autumn term.

NUT FREE FROM 1ST SEPTEMBER

Congratulations to our Summer Raffle winners

1st Prize Winner
Darius-Matei
Red Rec



2nd Prize Winner
Toby
1J



KS1 Games Winner
Alda
Red Rec



KS2 Games Winner
Vaishnu
3A



Have a great family summer break and we'll see you on Tuesday 2nd September.

Mrs Donnelly
Headteacher

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY WILL BE SENT NEXT WEEK AND ADDED TO THE SCHOOL WEBSITE.