



The Manor
PREPARATORY SCHOOL

To All Parents

11 February 2011

Dear Parents

Book Week - 7th - 11th March: Book Week Gets the Giggles!

Our Book Week this year is being held in the second week after half-term. The focus during this week will be on our children and their reading.

On Tuesday 8th we will be visited by Jeremy Strong. His best-selling books have started many children reading for sheer pleasure and his visit to The Manor will encourage the children's reading, writing and involve a lot of laughter.

On Thursday 10th the author of *Frozen in Time*, *Wishful Thinking* and the *Shapeshifter* series, Ali Sparkes, will be with us. Her books are full of humour as well as excitement and fabulous adventures, and we are very excited to be welcoming her to The Manor.

Both of our visiting authors will be signing copies of their books during the day, which will be available for purchase for Years 1-6. If you would like your child to be able to purchase a book from either of the authors which will be added to your end of term bill, please complete and return the accompanying slip by **Friday 4th March**. The books should cost between £4.99 and £6.99.

On Friday 11th there will be a Fancy Dress Parade for the whole school. Children are allowed to come to school in fancy dress in the morning and can stay in costume all day if it is suitable, otherwise please supply home clothes to be worn after the parade. The theme for the parade is 'My Favourite Book Character' (any with a particularly humorous slant would be ideal!).

There will be quizzes and special activities in the Library all week. There is a competition for each year group and entries need to be handed in to me by **Thursday 10th** so that prizes can be awarded on Friday. Competition details are attached.

I hope that everyone will enjoy themselves and find it a stimulating and memorable week.

Yours sincerely

Kate Belcher, Librarian

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Competition details

Nursery and Reception

Create a picture (paint, crayon, pencil, collage...) of your favourite book character.

Year 1

Using the theme 'Laughter', make and colour in a book mark.

Year 2

What do you think a Laughter Machine looks like? Draw a picture showing your idea.

Year 3

Write and illustrate a poem with the title, 'The Day My Teacher Made Me Laugh'.

Year 4

Write and illustrate a short story beginning with the line, "Once I started laughing, I didn't think I would be able to stop!"

Year 5

Write and illustrate a poem about a funny event that has happened to you.

Year 6

Write and illustrate a short story about someone trying to make their teacher laugh.

All entries must have a name and class on them, and must be handed to Mrs Belcher by THURSDAY 10th March.

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Visiting author book purchases

Child's Name.....

Form.....

My child is able to purchase a book by:

Please tick:

Jeremy Strong

Ali Sparkes

I understand that the cost of the book(s) will be added to my end of term bill.

Signed.....

Please return this form to Mrs Belcher in the library by Friday 4th March.