

The Manor Preparatory School

MANOR MESSAGES

Friday 7 May 2010

Reception's First Swim!

RD and RK went to Abingdon School Pool last Friday morning for their first swimming lesson.

They travelled on the bus to the pool and then changed and the swimming teachers took them for their first lesson. It was great fun to

splish and splash around in the water!

By the end of our lesson, we were all swimming! Some of the children used a water woggle to help them swim. The only part they didn't like was when they had to leave!



They cannot wait for their next swimming lesson next Friday!

Sian Douglas
Reception

Reminders: w/c 10 May

Whole School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No netball on Saturday 8th May. Netball as usual on 15 May. The Sainsbury's Active Kids Voucher box is in the main office. No Squad Swimming this week due to school assessments.
Pre-Nursery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please put on suncream before coming to school and remember your named sunhats. Please return suncream permission slips if not done so.
Nursery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Please put on suncream before coming to school and remember your named sunhats. Please return suncream permission slips if not done so. Please collect your children's pictures and paintings that are ready to go home from the boxes in the cloakroom and check the lost property boxes.
Reception	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesday 12 May RD additional PE lesson. Swimming for both classes this week. Show and Tell—eggs and creatures which begin their lives as eggs.
Year 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thursday 13 at 2.30pm Play to Parents. Pre Squad training as normal.
Year 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessment week for Year 2. Pre Squad training as normal.
Year 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessment week for Year 3.
Year 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessment week for Year 4. Book Club 4.00pm - 5.15pm Thursday 13 May The book is "Flood and Fang".
Year 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessment week for Year 5 in English, Maths and Science. Book Club 4.00pm - 5.15pm Tuesday 11 May The book is "Cosmic". Depart for the Isle of Wight Friday 14 May—packed lunch and all kit.
Year 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SATS week for Year 6. No swimming on Tuesday due to SATS.
Sports Fixtures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wednesday 12 May Tennis v Chandlings U10 x 4 (H) 3.00pm—4.00pm. Saturday 15 May Backstroke Clinic with GB Swimmer 1.00pm—3.00pm.

Recent News In Brief...

Year 6 enjoyed a glorious day in London on 29 April. They strolled along the River Thames and had a tour of **The Globe Theatre** and a very exciting workshop with actors on *Romeo and Juliet*. After lunch, they had time to explore **Tate Modern** seeing some amazing paintings by Monet, Picasso, Matisse, Dali and Bonnard as well as sculptures by Rodin and Giacometti. It was a really wonderful day which the girls will remember for a long time.

On Saturday 1 May the U11 Netball team played their **Oxfordshire Junior Netball League** match at Gosford Hill School and were delighted to win 28-10. Davina McClaverty was declared Player of the Match. Mr Heyworth and Mr King were treated to an amazing **Elizabethan lunch** on Tuesday 4 May by some of the girls in Year 6 as part of their Elizabethan project. Entertainment and a delicious meal were provided in an atmosphere enhanced by

Elizabethan dress and music! Tuesday 4 May was also the culmination of an extended project in which all of Year 5 and 6 have been working with **percussionist Joby Burgess**. After a day spent rehearsing with Joby, the girls performed a stimulating and thought provoking concert for parents. On Wednesday 5 May, boys and girls from Years 1 to 6 listened to speeches made by the six leading political parties in **The Manor's General Election**. Voting slips were distributed and a secret ballot took place during the day. On Thursday

6 May, to tie in with the General Election, the result was announced. The winners were The Ladybirds campaigning for a school tuck shop and cookery lessons for all! Year 3 enjoyed a fabulous visit to **Dorchester** on Wednesday 5 May whilst the girls and boys in from Reception to Year 2 experienced Maths in the hands of our visitors, the dynamic **Quantum Maths**.

Please also see the Latest News page of The Manor's website.



Notices



Tennis Lessons

Places are still available in the tennis programme with Mr Trickey for children in Years 3-6 as follows:

Monday 1.30pm—Years 5 & 6; Tuesday 1.30pm—Year 6; Wednesday 7.30am—Years 5 & 6; Wednesday 1.30pm—Year 5; Thursday 7.30am—Year 3; Thursday 1.30pm Year 3. If you are interested, please contact Mrs O'Rourke (aorourke@manorprep.org).



Mobile Phones

Please remember that **only BUS USERS may have mobile phones in school** and these must be kept in the School Office during the School Day. These must be clearly marked with the owner's name.



Charity Gift Fair - a date for your diaries

This year's Charity Gift Fair will take place on Saturday 20 November 10am-3pm. The Gift Fair Committee is working hard on lots of exciting ideas for this year's event and there will be many stalls selling a range of different merchandise for Christmas shoppers. Please keep an eye out for more information about the event as our plans evolve. *The Gift Fair Committee*

Lost & Found...

Roxy Davies (Pre-Nursery) has lost her much-loved **blue knitted monkey**. Please keep your eyes peeled!

Ella Jackson (3B) has lost her **PE kit**, please could you check that your child has the correct kit.

Nooree Patel (3B) has lost her

glasses, they are in a purple case.

If you find any of these items, please pass them to the School Office.

