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Mrs Sterck

Head of
School



Mr Martin

Assistant
Head



Mrs Collier

Assistant
Head



Mrs Hill

Family Support



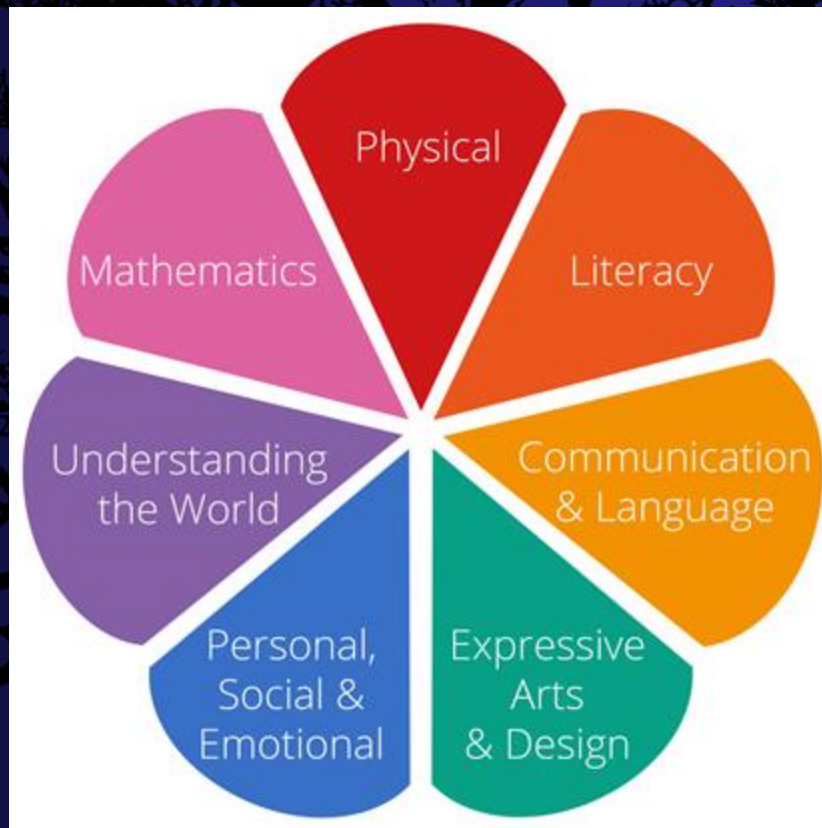
Mrs Oram

SENCO

(Special Educational Needs Coordinator)

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Learning and Development



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Learning and Development

We use the Early Years Foundation Stage framework to assess your child's development. This consists of 3 prime areas: Personal, Social and Emotional development, Communication and Language and Physical Development. And 4 specific areas: Literacy, Mathematics, Understanding the World and Expressive Arts and Design.

With all children we focus on the prime areas before specific as these provide the scaffolding to further learning.

Characteristics of Effective Learning (COEL) - It's not just about what you know it's how you know it! COEL is how the children learn, this is split into 3 categories: Playing and Exploring, Active Learning and Creating and Thinking Critically. We use these assessments to carefully plan for the children's next steps to ensure they are planned in a way they will learn.

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School uniform



- Navy Blue jogging bottoms, leggings or shorts
- Navy Blue polo shirt
- Navy Blue school sweatshirt/cardigan
- Navy Blue checked summer dress
- White/grey socks
- Plain black trainers (no branding, strips, white)

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Food

snack, milk and lunch



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Food - snack, milk and lunches

A daily snack is provided - fruit/ veg often seasonal. Your child will also have the option to have milk. If you would like them to have this, please see details on how to order this in their pack.

Water bottles- please ensure that your child only has water. Thank you.

For lunch there are 2 options:

1. Cooked meal - Local food links
2. Packed lunch

We are a healthy school. Please ensure your child has a well-balanced lunchbox.

Please ensure that you make us aware of any allergies.

Please make sure that you cut grapes lengthways.



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Tapestry



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Tapestry is where we will upload weekly updates of what the children have been up to and any wow moments that we want to share. Please also share your child's achievements with us!

Any questions or queries please speak to a member of the team.

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All about Tapestry



Tapestry is an on-line system which allows us to create an individual Learning Journey for every child in Reception.

We can add comments, notes, photographs and videos of your child and then link these to the Early Years Curriculum.

It is another tool which allows us to keep you up-to-date with what your child has been learning and parents have said that it has been a good conversation starter when asking their child about their day at school as they can say "I can see that you have....." using the photos and explanation provided to guide them.

Parents have the opportunity to comment on the observations added by staff and to also add their own observations to share progress and milestones achieved at home. We very much view your child's learning journey as a partnership between home and school and this is another excellent way for us to be able to share and celebrate your child's achievements.

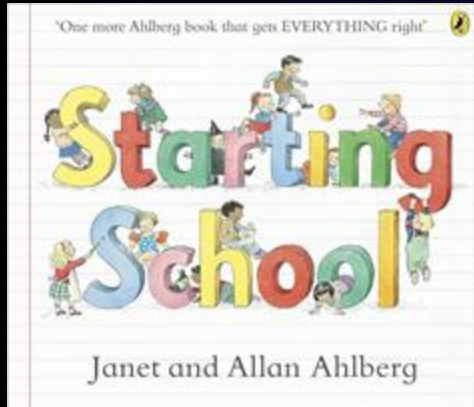
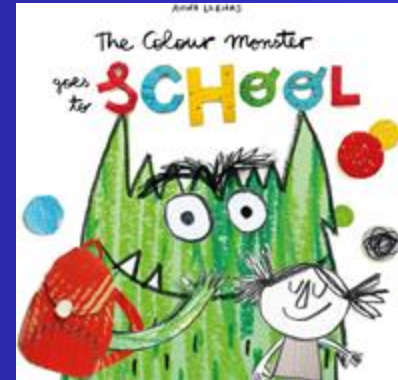
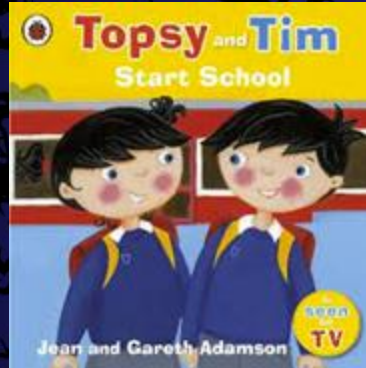
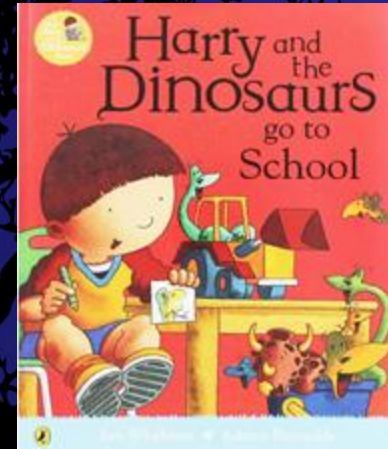
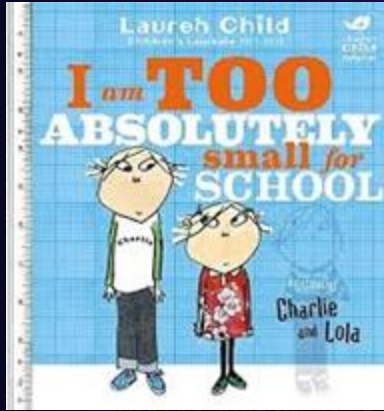
Inside your induction pack. There is a permission form for Tapestry. Please can we ask that this is returned to school ASAP so that we can set up your account ready for September. Thank you.

- ★ No information from Tapestry can be shared with other people or published in any way. Photographs or videos from Tapestry cannot be posted on any social networking site or displayed in a public place.

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Useful books to share:



- I am too Absolutely Small for School (Charlie and Lola) by Lauren Child
- Starting School by Janet and Allen Ahlberg
- Topsy and Tim Start School by Jean and Gareth Adamson
- Harry and the Dinosaurs Go to School by Ian Whybrow and Adrian Reynolds
- Come to School too, Blue Kangaroo! by Emma Chichester Clark
- The Colour Monster goes to School – Anna Llenas

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Getting your child ready to start school...

Your child doesn't need to be able to read, write or do sums before they start school. Children start school with a wide range of abilities and their teacher will be skilled at helping children progress at their own level.

Some things to try:

- **Chat** with your child about starting school. What do they think it will be like? What are they most looking forward to?
- Recognising their own **name**.
- Look at the school's **website** together and talk about the pictures.
- Practise the school morning **routine**, including getting dressed and eating breakfast in time to leave.
- Practise the school run.
- If your child has a particular worry, provide reassurance by discussing what to do and who to tell in these situations.
- If your child has a favourite security toy or blanket, try to get them used to being **without** it during the day.
- Help to develop your child's independence and a '**can do**' **attitude** by giving them a few everyday responsibilities as they get closer to school age. Perhaps they could lay the table, feed a pet or put their own laundry away.



Helpful skills to practise BEFORE September



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Going to the toilet Support your child to be confident about getting to the toilet in time and wiping properly, using toilet paper rather than moist wipes.

Do you have a different phrase for going to the toilet at home? Letting a member of the Reception team know what this is will ensure they understand what your child is trying to ask.

- **Washing hands-** Chat about the importance of good handwashing with soap and water especially after going to the toilet.
- **Tidying up!** Get your child into the habit of hanging their coat up, putting their toys away, clearing the table, and so on, to prepare them for doing these things at school.
- **Feeding themselves** Free school meals are available to all children in Reception or they can bring a packed lunch. Children having school dinners need to be able to use a full-sized knife and fork. If your child is taking a lunchbox, make sure they can open it as well as any containers and packets inside.
- **Dressing themselves.** Encourage your child to have a go at putting their uniform on and off, especially putting jumper/cardigan/coat on/off and teach them what to do if it is turned inside out. Also taking shoes on and off. Have you heard of the 'flip trick' for putting a coat on?
Put your child's coat upside down on a table in front of them. They can then put their hands in the armholes and flip the coat over their head – a handy way for your child to put their coat on by themselves!

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Morning Drop Off

The school day starts at 8:45am.

Please wait out in the KS1 playground. A member of Early Years will then open the Reception outdoor area gate. We ask that children to then say goodbye to their grown up here. Please pass on any messages to us at this time.

Afternoon Pick Up

School finishes at 3:15pm. Please wait in the KS1 playground, outside the class door. A member of staff will then match each child up with their grown up.

Please make sure you **inform us** if anybody different is picking up your child. If we do not know, we are unable to let your child leave and will need to phone you for permission.



COMING SOON

Roots and Shoots
Wraparound Care

Building friendships
Reading
Breakfast

...our new wraparound care!

Roots and Shoots will be launching in September 2026 to provide wraparound care for children in Reception to Year 4. This will be run by Manor Park staff, so children will be looked after by familiar faces every day.

Sessions

Before school - 7:30am - 8:45am (£7)

After school - 3:15pm - 4:15pm (£7)
4:15pm - 5:30pm (£7)

Life skill opportunities
Games
Construction
Snacks
Arts and Crafts
Sports

Before and After school club

Breakfast Club: 7:30am – 8:45am

After School Club: 3:15pm – 5:30pm

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Before and After school club

Wrap around care is our out of school club that provides wrap around care for children.

Breakfast Club – 7:30am – 8:45am

Doors open at 7.30am. Breakfast is served until 8.15 with a range of cereals, toast and juice.

The children are free to play with whatever toys they choose. From construction and cars to board games and books, there's something for everyone. At 8.45am it's time for school and the children are walked from the school hall to their classroom by a member of the team.

After School Club – 3:15pm – 5:30pm

The children are collected from their classrooms. For snack, the children are able to choose from a range of toppings to have on their toast or wrap and also a piece of fruit.

After snack, the children are free to play with the toys available in the hall and we endeavour to play outside on the playground as much as possible.

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Parent Teacher Consultations

Thursday 9th and Friday 10th- check dates



Mrs Gillott



Miss Cazzulini

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Plans for the Autumn Term



We will be holding a Curriculum workshop, early in the Autumn Term.

At this time, we will also be sharing our phonics scheme 'Pip and Pap' with you.

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Things to Remember!

Please, please ensure that
ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING ARE NAMED!

Uniform: <https://myclothing.com>

Milk: www.coolmilk.com

School lunch: www.localfoodlinks.org.uk/



Everyday your child needs to bring:

- Named bottle of water (no squash)
- Book bag or rucksack
- A waterproof coat for wet weather
- A sunhat (weather permitting)

Please can your child have a named pair of wellie boots, which stay in school.



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Please return all paperwork from the first pack to the office by **27th June**.

You will receive another pack this evening, which will contain:

- An All About Me book
- Information about Cool Milk and Local Food Links
- A School Readiness Guide
- A Pip and Pap Leaflet
- A social story about starting school
- Photos of the Reception team
- A postcard from your Year 4 buddy

Thank you!

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