

Headteacher Update

Dear Parents/ Carers

Please support us with our Crowdfunder project with 'Help Us Refresh Our Sensory Garden & Sensory Rooms'.

We are reaching out to our school community and beyond to help us raise funds to refurbish our much-loved sensory garden and sensory rooms.

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/send-sensory-garden--manor-green-school>

These spaces are not just areas within our school — they are safe havens. They provide calm, comfort, stimulation, and support for students who need sensory regulation to learn, grow, and thrive.

For many of our students, these environments are essential. They:

- Support emotional regulation
- Reduce anxiety and sensory overload
- Encourage communication and interaction
- Promote independence and wellbeing
- Create opportunities for therapeutic and sensory learning

Over time, our equipment and outdoor features have become worn and outdated. With your support, we hope to:

- Update sensory equipment and interactive resources
- Improve accessibility and safety
- Introduce new calming and stimulating features
- Create an inclusive, nurturing environment for every child

Every contribution — big or small — will make a meaningful difference to our students' daily experiences at school.

If you would like to donate or support our fundraising efforts, please get in touch with Charlotte Deer

Charlotte.deer@manorgreenschool.co.uk

Together, we can create spaces where every child feels safe, supported, and inspired.

Thank you for your kindness and generosity.



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Big Chick Knit

We supported Alexander Divine last 2 years with the '**Big Chick Knit**'. It has been such a huge success and everyone was so generous that we would like to do the same again. This year we will do the collection the same as last year.

We will hold our egg collection day on **Friday 6th March** (next Friday) as part of our fundraising day. We will be asking staff and students to bring in the following size eggs for donation:

We accept various types of chocolate eggs, including:

-  Cadbury's Creme Egg
-  Cadbury's Oreo Egg
-  Cadbury's Caramel Egg
-  Hershey's Cookies 'N' Cream Egg



Eggs should be collected in classes, there will be egg chick knits to purchase for £3 from Reception over the course of the week.

Students my wear GREEN on the day.



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You're Hired!

Friday 13th March is our annual "You're Hired" event for our Oxford Cluster students.

They are currently preparing their application forms, CV's and covering letters so they can take part in a mock interview.

The careers team are looking for volunteers that would be willing to interview our students giving them the confidence for their next steps including college interviews, Apprenticeships or a Job.

This is the 3rd year we have been running this event and both the interviewers and students feedback is overwhelmingly positive. We give the questions to ask and provide refreshments, we just as for anything from 2 hours to 4 hours of their time.

Please share with family or friends that you think may like to support this initiative and if they would like more information ask them to contact myself or Tanya Kirby: tanya.kirby@manorgreenschool.co.uk

Excellence Everywhere

Excellence Everywhere will be taking a break this week, it will return next Friday in the newsletter and on the website.

Upper School Showcase

We are delighted to invite you to a showcase celebrating the students' hard work and achievements. This term the focus has been "Planet Earth and the Great Outdoors" students have been incorporating seasonal cooking and Maths functional skills linked to nature and environment. We have also been completing ASDAN units on wildlife conservations, recycling, the solar system and navigation skills.

The event will take place on **Wednesday 25 March, from 09.30 to 10.30. A letter has been sent to upper school parents via Arbor outlining more details.**



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Vacancies at Manor Green School

Caretaker
Teacher
Early Years Lead
Specialist Support Assistants
Family Support Worker Early Years
Construction DT Teacher
Supply Specialist Support Assistants
Supply Day and Evening Cleaners
Apprentice SSA

[Vacancies | Manor Green School](#)

Second Hand Uniform

The Uniform Shop is running low on green sweatshirts of all ages, but especially the smaller sizes. If anyone has any green sweatshirts in good condition that they would like to donate, they would be most welcome. Thank you .

I hope you enjoy this week's newsletter, I would like to thank you for the donations we have received so far on our crowdfunder project and your continued support as always.

Warm regards

Helen Hannam
Headteacher

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Parent Support Team

If you need help with Microsoft Teams or password resets, etc. please contact our ICT team on: offsite.tech@manorgreenschool.co.uk

Privacy Notice

The school's privacy notice is available from the [website](#)

Weekly emails

If you do not receive our weekly emails please me know:

Charlotte.deer@manorgreenschool.co.uk They are always available from the [website](#).

Parent/Carer Social Events

Hosted by Parenting Special Children

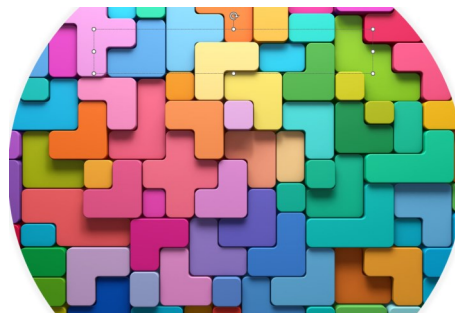
This neuro-affirming, strengths based, interactive workshop is designed to help parents/carers better understand the unique experiences of AuDHD (Autistic and ADHD) children and young people.

Exploring AuDHD strengths and challenges,
Practical strategies for home and school,
Reframing so called 'difficult' behaviours,
Supporting child's self-esteem and self-advocacy.

Booking link

[:https://parentingspecialchildren.co.uk/events/audhd-workshop-berkshire-east-dec-2025/](https://parentingspecialchildren.co.uk/events/audhd-workshop-berkshire-east-dec-2025/)

Our workshops and courses are available to families who reside or is registered at a GP practice in East Berkshire , Slough, Windsor, Maidenhead and Bracknell.



Hum Jolly - School Café 09.30 –11.00

Hum Jolly is a social gathering for all parents in our Asian community. We meet every fortnight on Tuesdays in our school café between 09.30 and 11.00.

Please email shareen.hussain@manorgreenschool.co.uk if you would like more information

Tuesday 3 March 2026

Tuesday 24 March 2026



Coffee & Chat—School Café 09.30—11.00

Friday 13 March 2026

Discounts for young people with SEND

If your child has an additional or special need, there are various schemes which can help save money.

- [Merlin's Magic Wand](#) provides magical days out at Merlin Entertainments attractions for children who need them most. The attractions include: Legoland, Madame Tussauds, Chessington World of Adventures and Sea Life Centres.
- [Max Card](#) is a discount initiative for children with special educational needs and disabilities aged 0 to 25 years. The scheme enables families to visit hundreds of attractions across the UK at a free or discounted rate. The [Max Card webpage](#) has more information on how to apply.
- [The CEA Card](#) provides complimentary cinema tickets across the UK for carers accompanying a disabled person to the cinema.
- [English Heritage](#) offers free entry to companions or carers of disabled people across 400 properties including abbeys, castles and stately homes.
- [The National Trust](#) issues a free entry card called "Essential Companion card" for carers of disabled people. It is provided to the disabled person so that it can be used for different carers.
- [The Access Card](#) translates an impairment or disability into symbols that discreetly highlight the barriers a person might face and the reasonable adjustments they might need. It may also provide access to things like concessionary tickets without having to provide too much personal detail.



**WINDSOR & MAIDENHEAD
SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**
President: Baroness Theresa May

Conductor Joe Davies **Leader** Susie Henwood

Saturday 14 March 2026 7:30pm
Baylis Theatre, Braywick Leisure Centre, Maidenhead SL6 1BN

GLINKA Overture: Ruslan and Ludmila
STRAUSS Horn Concerto No 1
MAHLER Symphony No 5



Horn Jessica Ortony

Tickets £15; student/child £5 from www.wmsso.org.uk

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no. 1212732 www.wmsso.org.uk



**MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT AND
GETTING HELP TEAMS**

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Berkshire Healthcare
Children, Young People and
Families services

LIVE WEBINARS 2026

**FOR
PARENTS
AND CARERS**

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Dates: Various



Time: 6pm - 7pm



Microsoft Teams

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21/01/26
Supporting Low Mood



05/02/26
Supporting with Sleep
Under 11's



26/02/26
Supporting with sleep
over 12's



24/03/26
Building Positive
Relationships at Home



22/04/26
Exam Stress
Under 11's

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Manor Green School Housekeeping

Morning Drop Off

PLEASE NOTE WE WILL NOT ALLOW ANY VEHICLES BRINGING STUDENTS ON THE SCHOOL SITE BEFORE 08:50. ANY VEHICLES ARRIVING EARLY WILL BE TURNED AWAY.

08:50 to 09:00: School transport vehicles arrive on site.

09:00: Staff collect students from school transport.

09:00 to 09:10: Parents arrive on site.

09:10: Staff collect students from parents.

09:20 to 09:30: Link parents and Link school transport arrive on site

09:30: Staff collect all Link students

School staff **must** be at the front of the school at **09:00** ready to collect the students from the vehicles.

Staff will only wait at the front of the school for the delayed students until 09:20. Staff should wait in the reception area to help communication with the receptionist.

Afternoon Pick Up

PLEASE NOTE WE WILL NOT ALLOW ANY VEHICLES COLLECTING MANOR GREEN STUDENTS ON THE SCHOOL SITE BEFORE 14:40. ANY VEHICLES ARRIVING EARLY WILL BE TURNED AWAY.

14:20 to 14:30: Link parents and Link school transport arrive on site

14:30: Link students taken to parents and transport

14:40 to 14:50: School transport vehicles arrive on site

14:50: Students on school transport taken to vehicles

14:50 to 15:00: Parents arrive on site

15:00: Students taken to parents

Staff **must** bring all students to the front of school at **14:50** for collection.

Students will be brought out to vehicles by school staff in the normal way.

Afternoon pick up: escorts should collect the students from the school staff.

Foundation Park

A polite reminder that parents should not be parking at the entrance to Foundation Park when dropping off or picking up children. This is not a drop-off pickup point for the school and we need to respect our neighbours. Thank you for your co-operation.

Contacting Staff at Manor Green School

If you need to contact staff at school please follow school procedure by contacting the class teacher in the first instance with any concerns. This will then passed to the relevant assistant headteacher if it cannot be resolved with the teacher.

Arbor Management Information System App

We use Arbor to communicate with parents.

Please contact Nicola Camano at

data@manorgreenschool.co.uk If you are experiencing problems with logging in



We're using Arbor's free Parent Portal and Arbor App

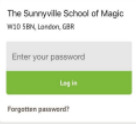
We've chosen Arbor to help us manage our school.

Arbor is a simple, smart and cloud-based MIS (Management Information System), which helps us work faster, smarter and more collaboratively as a school. The Arbor App and Parent Portal mean we can keep you informed about your child's life at school in a much more accessible way. Log into Arbor to see and update your child's information, get live updates and make payments or bookings on the go!

The Parent Portal works on Google Chrome (computer or laptop) and you can download the Arbor App from the App Store or Google Play Store on your phone (Android 5.0; iOS 10.0 and upwards).

How to get started

1. Wait for your welcome email from us telling you Arbor is ready - you won't be able to log in before
2. Click the link in your welcome email to set up your password
3. Go to the App or Google Play Store on your phone and search 'Arbor'
4. Click 'install' on Android or 'Get' on iPhone then open the App
5. Enter your email, select the school, then enter your password
6. Accept the Terms & Conditions and enter your child's birthday



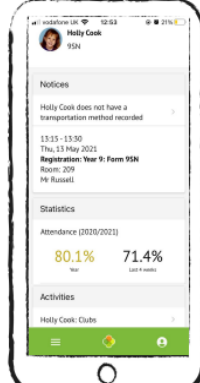
Need help using Arbor?

Contact the school office if you have questions about Arbor, the App or Parent Portal. Tell us the type and model of your phone, e.g. an iPhone SE, and include screenshots or screen recordings.

To safeguard student data in line with General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR), Arbor only works directly with schools.

Some tips to try:

1. Ensure your username is the email address you use for Arbor. Ask us to **check the email address** linked to your account.
2. **Reset your password** from the login page, or ask us to do this.
3. If the login email was sent to you more than 96 hours ago, the **password link will have expired**. Ask us to send it again.
4. Ask the school office to check that your email address has not been used twice - e.g. on another guardian or child's profile.
5. **Enter the birthday** of one of your children to log in.
6. Only relatives who are **Primary Guardians** of a child can access the Arbor App. Ask us to check you can access Arbor.



Building for the Future – A Wokingham based, parent led charity providing activities, support and therapy for children with disabilities and/or additional needs and their families. There is a fully accessible play area where they run their stay and play sessions. Click [here](#) for further details.

Jump In – An indoor trampoline park. SEN sessions are for anyone aged 4+ who prefers a quieter session without music and reduced lighting. Jump In can be found in Slough and Camberley. Visit the [website](#) for further details.

Coral Reef Waterworld – One of the largest interactive water worlds in England with a range of waterslides, an erupting volcano, pirate ship and lots more. The Accessible for Everyone sessions are an opportunity exclusively for customers with disabilities their families, carers and friends to enjoy Coral Reef and its iconic waterslides. These run once per month. Please check their [website](#) for further details on dates and to book.

GEMS Hosted by The Autism Group:

Understanding and responding to distressed behaviour in autistic young people' with the aims being; To understand physical responses to anxiety, distress and overwhelm.

To explore what this might look like and think about who is challenging who! To learn some strategies to try to help.

Clip n' Climb – Clip n' Climb Reading offer SEND sessions on a Tuesday. Click [here](#) for more details.

Chance to Dance Stars – A dance school for students and families in the disabled community. Classes run in Bracknell and Reading. Please click [here](#) for further information.

Thames Valley Adventure Playground – Is a charity that offers a unique range of adventurous, therapeutic and educational play activities for both children and adults, mild or profound. Visit their [website](#) for more detail.

For more information click [here](#).

The Autism Group – A Maidenhead based charity committed to supporting and enhancing the lives of young people on the spectrum, their parents and carers. They offer workshops, clubs and parent support services. Click [here](#) to visit their website.

Together, one step at a time. An inclusive SEND community providing sensory safe sessions for families based in Reading, Berkshire. Click [here](#) for more details.

Me2 Club is an inclusion charity for children and young people (aged 5-19 years) with additional needs and disabilities in Wokingham and Reading Boroughs. You can find out more on their website [here](#).

Bracknell Trampoline Centre – They run two SEND classes during term time, for children and adults with special educational needs and disabilities (age 5+) on Saturdays 12.30pm and 1.30pm. Participation is by invitation only

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MANOR GREEN SCHOOL MENU DATES 2025 - 2026

WK1 03/11/25, 24/11/25, 15/12/25, 19/1/25, 09/02/26, 09/03/25

WK2 10/11/25, 01/12/25, 05/01/26, 26/01/26, 16/02/26, 16/03/26

WK3 17/11/25, 08/12/25, 12/01/26, 02/02/26, 23/03/26, 23/03/26

**MANOR GREEN SCHOOL
AUTUMN & WINTER MENU 2025 - 2026**

	Week One	Week Two	Week Three
Monday	Toad in the Hole Sweet & Sour Quorn with Noodle Veg of the Day True Sponge with Custard	Beef Bolognese Bean & Vegetable Hot Pot Veg of the Day Jam Sponge and Custard	Chicken Enchiladas with Jacket Wedges Shepherdess Pie Veg of the Day Eve Pudding with Custard
Tuesday	Chilli Con Carne with Rice Vegetable Wrap Veg of the day Fruity Flapjack with Custard	Sausage & Mash Cauliflower & Broccoli Cheese Veg of the Day Flapjack with Custard	Beef Lasagne Vegetarian Sausages & Steamed Potatoes Veg of the day Apple flapjack with Custard
Wednesday	Roast of the Day with Roast Potatoes And Gravy Mixed Bean Casserole Veg of the Day Rice Pudding with Jam	Roast of the Day with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Vegetable Pasta Baked Veg of the Day Bread & Butter Pudding with Custard	Roast of the day with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Vegetarian Burrito Veg of the Day Lemon Drizzle with Custard with Custard
Thursday	Chicken Curry with Rice Lentil & Sweet Potatoes Curry with Rice Veg of the day Peach Crumble with Custard	Chicken Curry with Rice Quorn & Vegetable Curry with Rice Veg of the day Pineapple Upside Down with Custard	Chicken Curry with Rice Chickpea & Potatoes Curry with Rice Veg of the Day Fruit Crumble with Custard
Friday	Fish Fingers with Chips Margherita Pizza Veg of the Day Carrot Cake with Custard	Fish Fingers with Chips Creamy & Vegetable Pie Veg of the Day Chocolate Short Bread with Custard	Fish Fingers with Chips Vegetable Sausage Toad in the Hole Veg of the Day Apple Pie with Custard

Freshly made sandwiches, Tomato pasta, Fresh fruit, Cheese and crackers & salad available daily

Date	Time	Event
Monday 5 January 2026	08.45-16.30	Staff Training
Tuesday 6 January 2026	8.55	Term Begins for Students
Monday 12 January 2026	Morning	Y9 Tetanus/Diphtheria/Polio booster & Meningitis ACWY/MMR catch-up
Tuesday 13 January 2026	09.30-11.00	Hum Jolly in School Cafe
Wednesday 21 January 2026	13.30-14.30	Upper School Showcase
Friday 23 January	09.30-11.00	Coffee & Chat in school cafe
Tuesday 27 January 2026	09.30-11.00	Hum Jolly in school cafe
Friday 6 February 2026	09.30 - 11.00	Coffee & Chat in school cafe
Tuesday 10 February 2026	09.30 - 11.00	Hum Jolly in school cafe
Friday 13 February	15.15	Term Ends
Monday 16 February to Friday 20 February		FEBRUARY HOLIDAY
Monday 23 Febraury 2026	8.55	Term begins for Students
Tuesday 24 February 2026	10.30-11.00	Tetanus/Diphtheria/Polio booster & Meningitis ACWY/MMR catch-up
Tuesday 3 March 2026	09.30-11.00	Hum Jolly in School Cafe
Thursday 5 March 2026		World Book Day
Friday 6 March 2026		Fundraising Day
Friday 13 March 2026	09.30-11.00	Coffee & Chat in school cafe
Tuesday 17 March 2026	10.00-10.45	Middle School Production
Wednesday 18 March 2026	10.00-10.45	Middle School Production
Saturday 21 March 2026		Down Syndrome Day
Tuesday 24 March 2026	09.30-11.00	Hum Jolly in School Cafe
Thursday 27 February	09.311.00	Stay & Play and Coffee Morning
Friday 27 March 2026	09.45-11.30	First School Easter Celebration
		Easter Egg Hunt
		Coffee Morning
		Term Ends
Monday 30 March to Friday 10 April 2026		Spring Holiday
3 April- Good Friday - 6 April Easter Monday		
Monday 13 April 2026	8.55	Term Begins for Students





School Term Dates—Academic Year 2025-2026—School Year 195 days

AUTUMN 2025 Term 1 (38 days)

Staff Training: Wednesday 3 September 2025

Term starts on: Thursday 4 September 2025

Term ends on: Thursday 23 October 2025

Staff Training: Friday, 24 October 2025

October Holiday: Monday 27 October to Friday 31st October 2025

Term 2 (35 days)

Term starts on: Monday 3 November 2025

Term ends on: Friday 19 December 2025

Christmas Holiday: Monday 22 December 2025 to Friday 2 January 2026

SPRING 2026 Term 3 (30 days)

Staff Training: Monday 5 January 2026

Term starts on: Tuesday 6 January 2026 Term ends on: Friday 13 February 2026

February Holiday: Monday 16 February 2026 to Friday 20 February 2026

Term 4 (25 days) Term starts on: Monday 23 February 2026

Term ends on: Friday 27 March 2026 Spring Holiday:

Monday 30 March to Friday, 10 April 2026 (Good Friday – 3 April; Easter Monday – 6 April)

SUMMER 2026 Term 5 (29 days)

Term starts on: Monday 13 April 2026 Bank Holiday Monday 4 May 2026

Term ends on: Friday 22 May 2026

May Holiday: Monday 25 May to Friday 29 May 2026

Term 6 (38 days)

Staff Training : Monday 1 June 2026

Term starts on: Tuesday 2 June 2026

Staff Training: Friday 17 July 2026

Staff Training: Monday 20 July 2026

Transition period for students: Tuesday 21 July to Wednesday 22 July 2026

Term ends on: Wednesday, 22 July 2026