MANUDEN WEEKLY

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FRIDAY 20th November 2026

THIS WEEK IN 30 SECONDS

Assessment Week • Safe Parking • Pantomime Trip • Magical Maths

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers,

As Anti-Bullying Week draws to a close, thank you to everyone who has supported our activities, including today's Odd Socks Day. It has been an opportunity to reinforce the importance of kindness, respect and speaking up when something is wrong.

Next week is assessment week. These are routine opportunities for teachers to see what children have learned, recognise their progress and plan what comes next. There is no need for extra revision or preparation at home.

We are also looking forward to Pygmy Owl's trip to Audley End, our whole-school pantomime visit and a special Magical Maths morning. It is lovely to have so much to look forward to as we approach December.

Finally, please take particular care when parking around school at drop-off and collection. Keeping pavements and access points clear helps protect children, pedestrians and our neighbours. Thank you for your consideration and continued support.

Mr Molyneux

CELEBRATING MANUDEN

Effort & Achievement Award

Class	Effort & Achievement
Pygmy Owl	Rosie
Tawny Owl	Henry Lee & Livy F
Hawk Owl	Teddy & Jessica
Eagle Owl	Kaisha & Willow M

House Trophy: Red [**20**] Blue [18] Green [8] Yellow [17]

SCHOOL COUNCIL & PUPIL VOICE

Our School Council will meet towards the end of November to share classmates' ideas and help shape school life. Following Anti-Bullying Week, we will continue encouraging children to speak up, listen to others and show kindness every day.

IMPORTANT / ACTION REQUIRED

ASSESSMENT WEEK | 23–27 NOVEMBER

No special preparation is needed at home. Please continue with normal routines, including sleep and reading for pleasure.

PANTOMIME | TUESDAY 1 DECEMBER

We plan to leave school at 1.00pm and return at approximately 4.00pm. Please note the later finish and follow any collection arrangements shared by school.

SAFE PARKING AT DROP-OFF

Please do not park on pavements, across driveways, near junctions or where restrictions apply. Children and families need a clear, safe route to school, and our neighbours need access to their homes. A traffic warden has recently attended outside school; parking restrictions may be enforced. Please allow a little extra time, park legally and walk the final short distance where possible.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

23–27 Nov – Assessment week
Mon 23 Nov – Y5/6 CPR training
Thu 26 Nov – Pygmy Owl trip to Audley End
Tue 1 Dec – Pantomime, 1.00–approx. 4.00pm
Wed 2 Dec – Reception 2027 tour, 9.15am
Thu 3 Dec – Magical Maths morning
Fri 4 Dec – INSET day (no pupils)

SAFEGUARDING & PRACTICAL REMINDER

As we conclude Anti-Bullying Week, we would like to remind families of the importance of monitoring children's online interactions, particularly through gaming platforms and group chats. Unkind comments, excluding others from groups or sharing messages and images without permission can have a significant impact on children's wellbeing.

Please regularly check who your child is communicating with online, encourage them to show you anything concerning and remind them never to share personal information. If online behaviour involves other pupils and affects school life, please let us know so we can offer appropriate support.

LOOKING AHEAD

Magical Maths will be visiting on Thursday 3 December for a special morning with all children. We hope to offer an after-school Magical Maths club from January; details will follow once confirmed.

Also coming up: Reception and KS1 nativity performances on 8 and 10 December, Christmas lunch and jumper day on 15 December, and the end of term at 1.30pm on Friday 18 December.

Week beginning 23rd November 2026 = Week 2
of the NEW Autumn 2 Term Menus

After School Clubs List for the Autumn Term 2026

Clubs marked with **£** require fees

Day	Club	Year Groups	Times	Teacher	Week Commencing			
					23/11	30/11	07/12	14/12
Monday	Karate **£**	R to 6	3:15pm-4:00pm	Pro-Karate	Yes	Yes	TBC	TBC
Tuesday	Stingers Netball	5 & 6	3:15pm-4:15pm	Miss Grant	Yes	**No**	Yes	No
Tuesday	Mini Street Dance **£**	R to 3	3:15pm-4:15pm	KDB Dance	Yes	**No**	Yes	No
Wednesday	Knitting **£**	3 to 6	3:15pm-4:15pm	Rosalyn Parr	Yes	Yes	Yes	TBC

PLEASE NOTE: There will be no Netball Club or Mini Street Dance on Tuesday 1st December due to the Whole School Trip to the Panto at Harlow Playhouse and No Netball Club or Mini Street Dance on Tuesday 15th December due to the PFA Christmas Fair

Diary Dates for the Autumn Term 2026

New/Amended Dates in RED

Monday 23rd November	CPR Training for Years 5 & 6 with BHF
Thursday 26th November	Pygmy Owl Class Trip to Audley End Enchanted Railway at 11:00am
Tuesday 1st December	Whole School Trip to Pantomime at South Mill Arts 1pm
Wednesday 2nd December	R27 School Tour at 9:30am
Thursday 3rd December	Magical Maths Workshop with Professor Poopenshtinken
Friday 4th December	INSET (Non Pupil) Day
Monday 7th December	Pygmy/Tawny Owl Class Natvity – Dress Rehearsal for School at 1:45pm
Tuesday 8th December	R27 School Tour at 9:30am
Tuesday 8th December	NHS 'Mop Up' Flu Vaccinations at 1:30pm – for those who missed the 21st Oct
Tuesday 8th December	Pygmy/Tawny Owl Class Nativity Play at 5pm
Thursday 10th December	Pygmy/Tawny Owl Class Nativity Play at 2pm
Monday 14th December	NSPCC Workshops with Year 2 and Years 5/6
Tuesday 15th December	Christmas Jumper Day and School Christmas Lunch
Tuesday 15th December	PFA Christmas Fayre and Carols Around the Tree
Friday 18th December	Last Day of Term – **FINISH AT 1:30PM**